

MUSEUM HOURS

- January, February, March, November and December: Tuesday through Saturday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; Sunday, 12:00 p.m. through 5:00 p.m.
- April through October: Monday through Saturday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; Sunday, 12:00 p.m. through 5:00 p.m.



MUSEUM OPEN

- Presidents' Day: Monday, February 17.
- Memorial Day: Monday, May 25.
- Independence Day: Saturday, July 4.
- Labor Day: Monday, September 7.
- Columbus Day: Monday, October 12.
- Veterans' Day: Wednesday, November 11.
- Black Friday: Friday, November 27.

MUSEUM CLOSED

- New Year's Day: Wednesday, January 1.
- Easter: Sunday, April 12.
- Thanksgiving: Thursday, November 26.
- Christmas: Friday, December 25.

ADMISSION

- Adults 12 to 64: \$10.00
- Seniors 65 and over: \$9.00
- Youth 3 to 11: \$8.00
- Children 2 and under: Free of charge

Visitors enjoy free, convenient, on-site parking and free WiFi.

For information on great area lodging, dining, shopping and attractions, go to StrasburgPA.com, DiscoverLancaster.com and VisitPA.com.

All hours, admissions, programs, activities and availability, placement and/or access to Museum exhibits are subject to change without notice.

DIRECTIONS

The Railroad Museum of Pennsylvania is located on PA Route 741, Strasburg, ten miles east of historic downtown Lancaster in the heart of the beautiful, Pennsylvania Dutch Country of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania.

From Baltimore & Washington, DC

I-95 north to I-83 north to Route 30 east (Lancaster). Route 30 east to Route 896 south (Strasburg) to Route 741 east.

From Metro New York, New Jersey & Philadelphia

(New Jersey Turnpike to Pennsylvania Turnpike.) Pennsylvania Turnpike west to Exit 286, Route 222 south. Route 222 south to Route 30 east (Lancaster). Route 30 east to Route 896 south (Strasburg). Route 896 south to Route 741 east.

From Pittsburgh

Pennsylvania Turnpike east to Exit 247, Route 283 east. Route 283 east to Route 30 east (Lancaster). Route 30 east to Route 896 south (Strasburg). Route 896 south to Route 741 east.



RAILROAD MUSEUM OF PENNSYLVANIA

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REAL TRAINS

RAILROADING MERIT BADGE WORKSHOPS

Saturday, February 22.

Saturday, March 28.

Saturday, September 12.

Saturday, November 14.

This is the perfect setting for boys and girls, ages 11 to 17, involved in scouting to earn the merit badge in railroading, working with historic artifacts and model trains. This day-long workshop features various railroad-themed activities, including tours, demonstrations and a G-scale model railroad simulation. Space is limited. A 2-pack ticket for 1 individual scout and 1 accompanying adult is \$24. Check the Museum website for registration dates.

READING ON THE RAILS

Saturday, March 7.

Sponsored by



Enjoy stories about trains, railroads and other amazing people, places and things from special guests. We'll supply a suitcase for the kids, while supplies last, and they can pick up collectible stickers as they travel from story to story throughout the day. Regular Museum hours. Included in the regular Museum admission.



CHARTER DAY

Sunday, March 8.

Observe the 339th birthday of the Commonwealth, amid Pennsylvania made and operated historic rolling stock, here at the Keystone State's official railroad museum. Regular Museum hours. Open to the public free of charge.

REAL HISTORY



RAILS & ALES

Saturday, April 4, from 6:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Trains are on tap during our fifth annual craft beer tasting event, featuring craft brewers and food vendors, held inside the Museum's Rolling Stock Hall. Adults 21 and over only, with valid ID. Food from food trucks is not included in the admission price.

A limited number of tickets are available, online only, at RailsandAles.org: \$50 per person VIP (entry at 6:30 p.m.), \$40 per person general admission (entry at 7:30 p.m.), \$15 per person designated driver and \$160 per 5-pack (4 paid general admission and one free designated driver, entry at 7:30 p.m.).

READING RAILROAD DAYS

Sunday, June 28 through Saturday, July 4.

Enjoy the remarkable Reading Railroad trains of eastern Pennsylvania history through tours of Reading Company equipment and a huge, operating model railroad from the Reading Company Technical & Historical Society. Regular Museum hours. Included in the regular Museum admission.



REAL EXCITEMENT

BARONS & BUILDERS DAY CAMP

Monday, July 13 through Friday, July 17, for ages 9 and 10.

Monday, July 27 through Friday, July 31, for ages 11 and 12.

Kids build, create, learn and play as they explore railroads and railroad history through a program of unique tours, innovative hands-on projects, field trips by train and special demonstrations. Each camp has a limited number of openings on a first come basis. Registration fees for campers will apply. Registration begins March 10.

MODEL RAILROADING DAYS

Saturday, August 15 and Sunday, August 16.

The young and young at heart, the novice and the veteran railroader together will enjoy operating model train layouts as well as demonstrations and other activities. Regular Museum hours. Included in the regular Museum admission.



RAILROAD HERITAGE DAY

Saturday, September 12.

Discover the amazing and diverse heritage of the industry that built our nation and continues strong today. We'll showcase Pennsylvania's many remarkable historical and contemporary railroads with presentations, operating model train layouts, art and photography, interpretive tours and more. A great family outing with something for everyone to enjoy! Regular Museum hours. Included in the regular Museum admission.

REAL TRAINS

MEMBERS DAY

Saturday, September 26.

Museum members enjoy special members-only presentations and other great railroad-related activities. Also held is the annual business meeting of the membership. A not-to-be-missed evening banquet — honoring volunteers, members and other special friends — caps off a full day. Advance registration is required.

GARDEN RAILWAYS TOUR

Sunday, October 4, from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Enjoy a self-guided tour of various private homes, featuring unique garden railways with operating model train layouts. Garden Railways Tour tickets are \$10 per person for ages 6 and over. Tickets go on sale at the Railroad Museum of Pennsylvania beginning August 1, and at all Stauffers of Kissel Hill locations in central Pennsylvania on September 1.

TRAINS & TREATS

Saturday, October 17.

Kids will have a treat bag to collect a variety of candy, nut-free, and small, non-food items at each stop along the way, as they tour a number of historic locomotives, railroad cars and exhibits inside Rolling Stock Hall. Recommended for children ages 3 to 12. Costumes are welcome, but are not required. Included in the regular Museum admission.



REAL HISTORY



TRAINS & TROOPS

Saturday, November 7 and Sunday, November 8.

Honor our veterans, and the men and women currently in uniform, while you experience many splendid railroad and military archival displays, enjoy patriotic music and learn the significant role railroads played time and again in the defense of our nation. Regular Museum hours. Included in the regular Museum admission.

1940s SWING DANCE

Saturday, November 7, from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Jump, jive and swing to the popular Moonlighters live band among the trains in the Railroad Museum of Pennsylvania's huge Rolling Stock Hall. Come dressed in military uniform or 1940s clothing, if you like, to revive the past!

A special savings combination ticket, per person, for the dance and both days of Trains & Troops is \$35. The dance ticket only, cost per person for general admission, is \$25. Veterans, active duty service personnel, students and Museum members are admitted for \$20 per person. Advance tickets are highly recommended. Go online or stop by the Museum store for tickets, which go on sale beginning August 1.

REAL EXCITEMENT

CHRISTMAS WITH THE CONDUCTOR PARTIES

Saturday, December 5 and Saturday, December 12.

The conductor will punch your child's gold souvenir ticket as he/she boards one of the Museum's historic passenger cars for a reading of a holiday classic story. Kids will also create their own seasonal take-home craft and receive a small bag of goodies.

Advance registration and a separate fee are required. Recommended for children ages 3 and over, with adult supervision. Registration begins October 26. Regular Museum admission rates also apply.

HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS

Saturday, December 5 and Saturday, December 12.

Take a nostalgic glimpse at holiday rail travel and meet costumed engineers, conductors, ticket agents and passengers representing the past century. Enjoy seasonal music and festive decorations among our world-class collection of trains. Visit Santa and send your personal telegram to the North Pole. Regular Museum hours. Included in the regular Museum admission.



RAMBLES

The Friends of the Railroad Museum of Pennsylvania annually sponsors trips to great destinations of railroading, historical, scenic and cultural interest. Join us for a memorable excursion to take in the sights and sounds of railroading! Check the Museum's website or join our email list.

RIDING THE RAILS OF NORWAY RAMBLE - Saturday, July 4 through Monday, July 13, with an optional Hurtigruten coastal cruise travel extension.

TRAINS OF THE GREEN & WHITE MOUNTAINS RAMBLE - Sunday, October 11 through Thursday, October 15.



Experience the awe-inspiring power of trains, the stories of railroaders and the fascinating heritage of our nation's railroading on display in the Railroad Museum of Pennsylvania. There is something for everyone to enjoy and learn in the Museum's family-friendly and innovative exhibits and programs.

The world-class collection of 100 historic locomotives and railroad cars includes everything from classic woodburners, mammoth steam locomotives and sleek, electric-powered and diesel locomotives to passenger cars, freight cars and cabooses. A number of authentic locomotives and railroad cars are open regularly for you to discover.

Take the throttle on a simulated run in a real Norfolk Southern freight locomotive cab, sit in an engineer's seat, climb aboard a caboose, explore Steinman Station 20th century passenger depot and telegraph office and inspect a 62-ton locomotive from underneath. Walk 100 years back in time past the general store, hotel and tavern, union office, photography studio and railroader's home.

Watch restoration activities in real time via closed circuit TV, check out virtual tours of equipment, enjoy hands-on activities in Stewart Junction railway education center and view displays of art, artifacts and operating model trains. Browse the Whistle Stop Shop museum store.

The Railroad Museum of Pennsylvania's main Rolling Stock Hall features free WiFi and is climate controlled year-round, for your comfort and the preservation of historic artifacts. Please call ahead, join the email list or visit the Museum's website and social media pages for information and updates, including events and Rambles which may be added.

ROLLING STOCK HALL & OUTDOOR YARD: The Museum's extraordinary, premier collection of 100 historic locomotives and railroad cars, made and/or operated in Pennsylvania, are on exhibit. A number of these significant pieces are listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

STEINMAN STATION: Early 20th century passenger depot and telegraph office. Museum orientation video.

STEWART JUNCTION: Railway education center, with challenging and fun hands-on activities for visitors of all ages. Pennsylvania Landscapes operating HO scale model train layout.

GROUP TOURS: A Museum representative will greet your group upon arrival at the Museum. Choose from among self-guided and various guided and school group tours. Complimentary admission for your group escort and motorcoach driver are standard, along with ample on-site bus parking and a convenient boarding area. Contact the Museum in advance at extension 3008 or extension 3004 for group rates and reservations. Contact an educator in advance at extension 3022 or extension 3025 about school group and educational tours.

GALLERY: Second floor features the operating Middle Division HO scale operating model train layout, in addition to the paintings of Grif Teller, Pennsylvania Railroad boardroom artifacts and various changing exhibits.

DIESEL SIMULATOR: Hands-on, simulated train operation in an authentic Norfolk Southern freight locomotive cab.

RAILROADERS' HALL: Plaques commemorating the railroad service of thousands of individuals. To honor a loved one or colleague, pick up a brochure in the Museum or on the website.

WHISTLE STOP SHOP: Museum store, with a wonderful array of unique and exclusive gifts, souvenirs, books, DVDs, prints, collectibles, clothing, toys and more. Contact a store associate at extension 3005.

RESTORATION SHOP: Working vehicular preservation facility. To ensure your safety, the restoration shop is closed to visitors. However, a closed circuit TV allows you to view work as it is happening. Restoration Shop tours are available at an additional charge and with advance notice. Contact group tours, extension 3008, or the admissions desk, extension 3004, for tour days and times.

RESEARCH LIBRARY & ARCHIVES: One of the world's finest collections of railroading artifacts, photographic images, books and periodicals and archival materials. Researchers and scholars should contact the archives technician, extension 3010, or the collections manager, extension 3013, in advance for an appointment.

FACILITY RENTALS: Make your next event, large or small, truly historic by holding it here in the Railroad Museum of Pennsylvania. Contact the advancement director, extension 3007, a minimum of 90 days in advance for information, rates and reservations.

EDUCATION & OUTREACH PROGRAMS: Interactive and/or guided reserved group education tours are offered for elementary, middle and high school age children and adults. The Museum also offers a merit badge in railroading, distance learning programs and programs for educators. An outreach presentation may be arranged for your group off-site. Contact an educator at extension 3022 or extension 3025.

MEMBERSHIP: Join the nonprofit Friends of the Railroad Museum of Pennsylvania and help support the rich heritage of railroading for today's and future generations. Enjoy benefits including free admission, the *Milepost* magazine, invitations to special events, discounts in the Museum store and discounts on Museum Rambles. Membership applications are available in the Museum and on the Museum website.

SPONSORSHIP: Sponsor your choice of a Museum event, exhibit or publication or a preservation, education, collections, technology or interpretive program. Reach your audience and clients with a sponsorship and help support the Museum's mission. Applications are available on the Museum website or contact the advancement director at extension 3007.

CHARITABLE GIVING: Individuals, groups, businesses and organizations provide critical support to the nonprofit Friends of the Railroad Museum of Pennsylvania by donating to the annual fund, naming the Friends in their will, bequest, trust or life insurance and making other forms of charitable contributions. Visit the Museum website or contact the advancement director at extension 3007.

VOLUNTEERING: Volunteers contribute their time, skills and enthusiasm to benefit the Museum's collections, programs and visitor experience. Volunteers receive the Crew Caller newsletter, Museum store discounts, educational opportunities and training, invitations to special events, flexible scheduling and an association with people with shared interests and goals. A background in railroading is not required or necessary. In accordance with PA Act 153, all Museum volunteers must complete the PSP Child Abuse Clearance before beginning work. Contact the volunteer/program coordinator at extension 3009.

