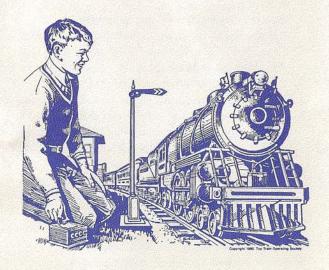
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Welcome Aboard!

Toy Train Parade





Premier Showing and Dedication

TOY TRAIN PARADE

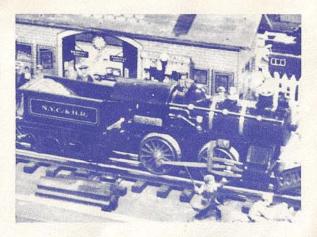
CALIFORNIA STATE RAILROAD MUSEUM

August 3, 1984

Museum Exhibit Committee

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TOY TRAIN PARADE DEDICATION PROGRAM

Time

Premier Showing of Toy Train Parade 8:30 pm Ribbon Cutting and Unveiling

- 2nd floor

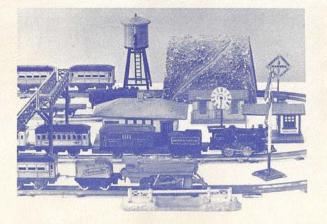
Refreshments and Limited Edition Sale of 9:15 pm
T.T.O.S. Exibit Dedication 'O' Gauge Box
Car — Roundhouse Area

Dedication of Exhibit to State Officials 9:30 pm Founders Plague Unveiling/Presentation

- Roundhouse Area

Special 'Fund Raiser' Auction of trains 9:40 pm and prototypes — Roundhouse Area

Museum Closes 12:00 pm



WHAT IS T.T.O.S.?

The Toy Train Operating Society is a non-profit California Corporation founded in 1966 that supports collecting interests, encourages operation of antique trains and preserves the historical impact of a popular American tradition.TTOS is international in scope with 20 active divisions in the U.S.(including CANADA) and members in 11 foreign countries.The society promotes information exchange through its monthly periodicals and provides a medium for collecting old toy trains via its museum exhibits, National Conventions and Regional meets.



WHAT DOES T.T.O.S. DO?

Toy Train Parade is the 3rd national exhibit sponsored by TTOS members and exemplifies why Society founders were not content to just acquire early American and foreign toy trains and then retire their valuable collage of miniature iron horses to a dull static shelf life. What was missing was the enjoyment of operation of early model railroading with roots dating back to the late 1800's. As America approached her zenith of train travel in the 1920's an electric train layout under the family Christmas tree was a firmly established father/son tradition. Because the craftmanship and operation of period classics are fascinating to viewers of all ages, TTOS encourages where possible the operation of these trains in Civic Museums, University and Community exhibits. A Society strength is the willingness of its members to share in static displays extremely rare collectables too fragile to operate. Other TTOS exhibits include La Habra, CA Children's Museum and Omniplex Museum in Oklahoma City, OK (below).



TOY TRAIN PARADE

- Full color brochure of exhibit featuring showcase trains and related history, operating layout, graphics and scope including viewer participation programs
- Graphics for Museum's Orientation Room
 - Rear projection photos (32-inch square)
 - Lithograph panels
 - 35-mm slides
- Education extension for youth groups
 - Work tables for instructional 'hands on' clinics for layout construction, train repair and restoration techniques plus the development of related electrical/mechanical skills
- Large screen television and continuous VCR for viewing historic films, rare Lionel and American Flyer factory movies and popular TV series of toy trains in action. Archival tapes would be edited for:
 - Viewer educational programs
 - Public service outreach to hospitals, clubs, schools, scouting and satelite museums.

FEATURES OF T.T.O.S. EXHIBITS

- Historical display of toy train collectables
- Action packed operation of trains and accessary atomata
- Educational/interpretive focus
- Graphic art appreciation
- Archival reprints and tapes
- Designed for family fun, viewer participation and public outreach programs — all of which encourages increased attendance

HOW YOU CAN SUPPORT THIS EXHIBIT!

Funds for the construction and installation of Toy Train Parade were obtained totally from member and institutional contributions. Exhibit maintenance and expansion programs require additional funding, and your tax-deductable personal contribution or institutional grants would be greatly appreciated by the Society and Museum staff. Inquiries or donations (payable to the Friends of the California State Railroad Museums) may be forwarded to TTOS Museum Exhibit Committee, 25 West Walnut, Pasadena, CA 91103.