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B&O Railroad Museum Brings Holiday Tidings with Four Historic Stops in December



Baltimore, MD (December 6, 2019) – The B&O Railroad Museum announces a month-long celebration of B&O’s Magical Holiday Express presented by BGE.

Magical Holiday Express 2019: Tidings in Transit celebrates both the story of the B&O and the spirit of giving by festively highlighting the four major regions along the railroad’s original route and raising donations for four wonderful charities along the way! Each weekend of December, the B&O will pay homage to a different locale along the railroad’s original route with a limited edition postcard, regional treats and activities. With live entertainment, spectacular layouts from the area’s finest model train groups, and the opportunity to support some of the local community’s most loved charities, the B&O is sure to be Baltimore’s happiest hub of the holidays this December!

During Week 1 of Magical Holiday Express 2019: Tidings in Transit, which honors the state of Ohio, the B&O will be raising donations of new and gently-used blankets for Paul’s Place: a catalyst and leader for change in Southwest Baltimore providing programs, services, and support which strengthen individuals and families.

West Virginia takes the spotlight for Week 2, during which the B&O will be accepting children’s and adult’s hats, gloves, and scarves on behalf of the Baltimore Outreach Center, whose mission is to provide comprehensive services and programs to homeless women and their children.

Week 3 comes closer to home with a focus on western Maryland and is dedicated to gathering new children’s books for the Harlem Park Center, a space described as both a safe haven and a beacon of hope for the community.

Finally, Week 4 sees the museum celebrating the B&O Railroad’s point of origination: Baltimore, Maryland, and garnering donations of assorted personal hygiene items for the 10th anniversary of the The Town of Jimmyville, Inc.’s annual “All Aboard the Food Train” Fundraiser.

“We are combining the spirit of giving and receiving for the holidays at the B&O,” said Kris Hoellen, Executive Director.

Please note the B&O Railroad Museum will be open Monday-Saturday, 10am-4pm and Sunday, 11am-4pm. The Museum will be closed Christmas Eve, Christmas Day & New Year's Day. Please visit www.borail.org/holiday for complete details.

DATE	DESTINATION		TRAIN RIDES	LIVE PERFORMANCES*	GIVE & RECEIVE
DECEMBER 2 – 8	OHIO	DEC 7	11 a.m. Santa 12 p.m. Frosty 1 p.m. Santa 2 p.m. Frosty	11:15 a.m. Institute of Notre Dame Choir 1:15 p.m. Ballet Nouveau	Paul's Place Donate One New or Gently Used Blanket and Receive \$5 Off Admission
		DEC 8	12 p.m. Frosty 1 p.m. Santa 2 p.m. Frosty	1:15 p.m. Morton Street Dance Center 2:00 p.m. Girl Scouts of America Chorus	
DECEMBER 9 – 15	WEST VIRGINIA	DEC 14	11 a.m. Santa 12 p.m. Frosty 1 p.m. Santa 2 p.m. Frosty	11:15 a.m. Design in Motion Dance Studio 1:15 p.m. Design in Motion Dance Studio	Baltimore Outreach Center Donate Five Winter Accessories (Child or Adult Hats, Gloves or Scarves) and Receive \$5 Off Admission
		DEC 15	12 p.m. Frosty 1 p.m. Santa 2 p.m. Frosty		
DECEMBER 16 – 22	WESTERN MARYLAND	DEC 21	11 a.m. Santa 12 p.m. Frosty 1 p.m. Santa 2 p.m. Frosty	To be announced	Harlem Park Rec Center Donate Five New Children's Books and Receive \$5 Off Admission
		DEC 22	12 p.m. Frosty 1 p.m. Santa 2 p.m. Frosty		
DECEMBER 23 – 31 <i>CLOSED CHRISTMAS EVE & DAY</i>	BALTIMORE	DEC 28	11 a.m. Winter Princesses 1 p.m. Winter Princesses	To be announced	Town of Jimmyville Donate Five New Personal Hygiene Items (Soap, Toothbrushes, Razors, etc.) and Receive \$5 Off Admission
		DEC 29	1 p.m. Winter Princesses		

ALL DECEMBER LONG:

MODEL TRAIN GARDENS

MTH O-Scale Layout, The Washington and Old Dominion Division of the Atlantic Coast, Baltimore Area American Flyer Club, Baltimore Area NTRAK, and National Capitol Trackers O-Gauge Modular Club.

TRAIN RIDES

For a complete list visit borail.events/holiday for train departure dates and times.

LETTERS TO SANTA

Mail your special requests to Santa from our Kids Zone.

THEMED ACTIVITIES

Join us for family activities themed around the week's destination.

**Performance schedule subject to change without notice.*

About the B&O Railroad Museum

The B&O Railroad Museum™, a full affiliate of the Smithsonian Institution, is dedicated to the preservation and interpretation of American railroading and its impact on American society, culture and economy. The Museum is home to the oldest, most comprehensive collection of railroad artifacts in the Western Hemisphere including an unparalleled roster of 19th and 20th century railroad equipment. The 40-acre historic site is regarded as the birthplace of American Railroading and includes the 1851 Mt. Clare Station, the 1884 Baldwin Roundhouse and first mile of commercial railroad track in America. For further information on the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Museum, please call 410-752-2490 or visit www.borail.org.

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