



MEDIA ALERT

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B&O Railroad Museum Celebrates the End of Summer with Demos, Tours & \$1 Admission on Labor Day

BALTIMORE, MD – August 31, 2021– Labor Day Weekend at the B&O Railroad Museum has a lot to offer all weekend long!

Track Laying Demonstration: Presented by B&O's Rail Operations will share the work involved in laying railroad track on the First Mile of American track laid in the country.

Working on the Railroad Tour: The unique history of working for the railroad in America and the evolution of worker rights from the 19th to the 20th centuries, with particular focus on the employees of the B&O Railroad. From the dangers of working on the railroad to labor unions and railroad strikes, this tour will incorporate all facets of life being employed by the B&O and guests will be fascinated to learn that so many of our policies today originated with the railroad!

Track Clean-Up: Volunteer a little labor this weekend and help us clean up the first mile of track laid in the country – a historic preservation project! Help clean up on Sunday and get FREE Admission to the B&O. To sign up contact Eileen Blinzley at EBlinzley@BORail.org

Turntable Demonstration: See the turntable in action! Watch as one person pushes the perfectly balanced railcar or locomotive as done since 1884.

\$1 Admission all day on Labor Day, Monday, September 6!

Below is a complete list of events for the holiday weekend.

Saturday, Sep 4

Track Laying Demonstration presented by our own Rail Operations Crew: 11 AM & 2 PM

Train Ride on the First Mile Express: 12 PM

Working on the Railroad: The B&O and the Labor Movement Tour: 1 PM

Sunday, Sep 5

Track Clean-Up. Help us keep our historic tracks clean! Available for ages 14+. 10:30 AM-12 PM

*Participants will receive FREE Museum admission after the cleanup.

Train Ride on the First Mile Express: 1 PM

Turntable Demonstration: 2 PM

Monday, Sep 6

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Train Ride on the First Mile Express: 12 PM

Working on the Railroad: The B&O and the Labor Movement Tour: 1 PM

Please be advised face masks are required for all visitors, staff, and volunteers when inside or on the train. The Museum's full safety measures can be found at www.BORail.events/Visit. We look forward to seeing you there!

The Museum's Café, serviced by the Back Yard will be open all weekend!

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. In 2019, the Museum welcomed guests from all 50 states and 40 countries. For further information on the B&O Railroad Museum, please call 410-752-2490 or visit www.BORail.org.

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