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## **Whimsically-Decorated “Spookomotive” Trains To Treat Old Sacramento Visitors for Three Weekends in October**

***Plus, Guests Can Enjoy Special Combo Pricing on Halloween-Themed  
Train Rides & River Cruises!***

**SACRAMENTO, Calif.** -- All aboard for Halloween fun! For three weekends beginning in mid-October, California State Parks and the California State Railroad Museum will once again offer engaging and entertaining rides aboard its popular “Spookomotive” train this fall season. “Spookomotive” trains operate hourly from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays beginning the weekend of October 11-12 and continue the weekends of October 18-19 and October 25-26, 2014. Train ride guests are encouraged to dress up according to weekly themes, including: Super Heroes (October 11-12), Pirates & Princesses (October 18-19) and Witches & Wizards (October 25-26).

As an added treat, California State Parks, the California State Railroad Museum and Capitol Hornblower Cruises & Events have teamed up to offer a fun and family-friendly combination package for Old Sacramento guests interested in taking both a “Spookomotive” excursion train ride and a Sacramento Spooky Halloween River Cruise. The special Halloween-themed package (with discounted pricing) is valid twice per day for the 1 p.m. train ride and 3 p.m. river cruise and for the 4 p.m. train ride and 5:30 p.m. river cruise on the dates listed above.

The whimsically decorated and diesel-powered “Spookomotive” -- crawling with spiders, cobwebs and cornstalks and staffed by a “skeleton crew” -- departs from the Central Pacific Freight Depot on Front Street and K Streets. Passengers will enjoy a fun-filled, 45-minute, six-mile roundtrip train ride along the Sacramento River. For those also choosing a river cruise, guests will venture the very short distance to the L Street dock in Old Sacramento where they will board the Capitol Hornblower at least 15 minutes before the departure time. River cruise guests will then enjoy a one-hour cruise along the Sacramento River with chilling sounds of Halloween-themed music playing in the background. Children will also receive a fun Halloween party favor when they disembark.

“Spookomotive” train tickets cost \$10 for adults, \$5 for youths ages 6-17, children ages 5 and under ride free. Discounted combo “Spookomotive” train ride tickets and Sacramento Spooky Halloween River Cruise tickets cost \$18 for adults, \$9 for children ages 6 to 17 and are free for children ages five

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and under. Tickets are available online at [www.csrmf.org](http://www.csrmf.org) in advance, or at the Sacramento Southern Railroad ticket office (on Front Street between J and K Streets) the day of the train ride and river cruise, based on availability.

In addition to train rides and river cruises, Old Sacramento will be crawling with other activities during October including Ghost Tours and trick-or-treating. For more information about Old Sacramento activities, visit [www.oldsacramento.com](http://www.oldsacramento.com). For more information about the California State Railroad Museum, visit [www.csrmf.org](http://www.csrmf.org) or call (916) 323-9280.

**About the California State Railroad Museum**

*Operated by California State Parks with financial assistance from the non-profit California State Railroad Museum Foundation, the California State Railroad Museum is open daily from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. except Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Day. Widely regarded as North America's finest and most popular railroad museum, the complex of facilities includes the 100,000-square foot Railroad History Museum plus the reconstructed Central Pacific Railroad Passenger Station and Freight Depot, 1849 Eagle Theatre, and Big Four and Dingley Spice Mill commercial buildings in Old Sacramento. For 24-hour information, visit [www.csrmf.org](http://www.csrmf.org) or call (916) 323-9280.*