



# News Release

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## **Railtown 1897 Proudly Presents the 4th Annual “Autumn Festival” & “Harvest Haunt Express” Train Rides**

*Special Harvest Activities Available October 10 Thru November 1*

**JAMESTOWN** – With fall in full swing, Railtown 1897 State Historic Park (SHP) is proud to present the 4th annual “Autumn Festival” on Saturday, October 10 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., which kicks off four consecutive weekends of harvest-related activities for all ages. Visitors to the one-day “Autumn Festival” will enjoy handcar rides, games, crafts activities, demonstrations, live entertainment and more. As a highlight to the family-friendly event, the season’s first “Harvest Haunt Express” train rides begin as well. The popular train rides take place aboard a steam-powered excursion train that departs on-the-hour from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. and are available on the following dates this fall: October 10-11, October 17-18, October 24-25 and October 31-November 1.

And, even after the “Autumn Festival” concludes, a variety of harvest-related activities continue each weekend through November 1. In addition, live piano music is available from noon to 4 p.m. in the Carriage House.

Located in the heart of California’s Gold Country, Railtown 1897 SHP combines railroad heritage, local history and the lure of Hollywood and is one of only two authentic and still-operating steam-era railroad roundhouse complexes in the entire country. However, it is uniquely and best known as “The Movie Railroad” due to its impressive history of starring in more than 200 high profile film and television productions such as “*High Noon*,” “*Back to the Future 3*” and “*Petticoat Junction*.”

Completely free for Railtown members, entrance to the “Autumn Festival” are included with park admission: \$5 adults, \$3 youths ages 6-17 and children ages five and under are free. Tickets for “Harvest Haunt Express” train rides (which include park admission) are \$13 adults, \$6 youths ages 6-17, ages 5 and under are free. For more information, call (209) 984-3953 or visit [www.railtown1897.org](http://www.railtown1897.org).

Operated by California State Parks with assistance from the nonprofit CSRM Foundation, Railtown 1897 State Historic Park in Jamestown, California, is open daily from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (April through October) and 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (November through March) except Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year’s Day. Known as “The Movie Railroad,” Railtown 1897, its historic locomotives and cars have starred in hundreds of film and TV productions and is home to one of America’s last intact and still operating railroad roundhouses. 24-hour info: (209) 984-3953 or [www.railtown1897.org](http://www.railtown1897.org).

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