

California State Railroad Museum Foundation Proudly Presents Special Farm-To-Fork Activities

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (September 1, 2017) –The California State Railroad Museum Foundation is proud to continue its partnership with Visit Sacramento as an official Farm-To-Fork sponsor in 2017 in an effort to showcase the rich history and deep connection between agriculture and the railroad.

To celebrate Farm-To-Fork in rail-related style, the Railroad Museum & Foundation are offering a series of special activities for the community to experience and enjoy. The Museum & Foundation will have a special booth at the FREE Farm-To-Fork festival on Saturday, September 23 where children can participate in a fun, hands-on activity. Also that weekend, the Foundation is coordinating a free Bartlett pear giveaway – courtesy of David J. Elliott & Son, Stillwater Orchard in Courtland -- to all guests who take a ride on the Museum's excursion train in Old Sacramento the weekend of September 23-24. To add even more farm-to-fork flair, the pears will be displayed in and given out from a vintage truck courtesy of the California Automobile Museum. Excursion trains depart hourly that weekend from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.* and cost \$12 for adults, \$6 for youths (ages 6-17), and ages five and under ride free.

The Foundation is also offering two special Farm-To-Fork Cocktail Train experiences presented by Rabobank N.A. – a locally based bank serving California communities grounded in agriculture – on Saturday, September 23 & Sunday, September 24. The Cocktail Train ride guests can sit back and experience what first class was like during the early decades of the 20th century as developed by the Southern Pacific Railroad. Ticketed guests will delight in a signature cocktail, exquisite appetizers and a delicious dessert from The Firehouse, Ten 22 and DISTRICT. Uniformed stewards provide the finest first class service onboard three of the California State Railroad Museum's first class cars: the Audubon dining car, the El Dorado lounge car and the French Quarter lounge car from the 1950s that served the famed Southern Pacific "Sunset Limited" service. As an added treat, the cars will be pulled by two eye-catching locomotives – Western Pacific No. 913 and Southern Pacific No. 6051 – both of which are classic streamlined locomotives representative of the first generation of diesel-electric locomotives. Space is limited on The Farm-To-Fork Cocktail Train and tickets are on sale now. Train ride tickets cost \$100 per person and all train ride guests must be 21 or over.

For more information about the Foundation or to purchase train ride tickets, please call 916-445-5995 or visit <u>www.californiarailroad.museum</u>.

*On September 23 & 24, the regular 3 & 4 p.m. excursion train rides will not be available nor will First Class seating.

About the California State Railroad Museum Foundation

The mission of the California State Railroad Museum Foundation (CSRMF) is to generate revenue and awareness on behalf of its destinations, while supporting the preservation, interpretation and promotion of our railroad heritage. The Foundation provides funding for ongoing support of numerous programs, both at the museum's Old Sacramento location and at the historic park in Jamestown, Calif. The Foundation and its board of directors is currently laying groundwork for a future California Railroad Technology Museum capital campaign proposed as part of the downtown Sacramento railyard development project. For more information, please visit www.californiarailroad.museum

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