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Limited Tickets Still Available for THE POLAR EXPRESS™ Train Ride Experience at Railtown 1897

JAMESTOWN, Calif. – Limited tickets are still available for magical THE POLAR EXPRESS™ Train Ride experiences at Railtown 1897 State Historic Park in Jamestown presented by California State Parks and the California State Railroad Museum Foundation. New this year, the festive train rides start the weekend after Thanksgiving and run on the following dates: November 25-26, December 1-3, 8-10 and 15-17, 2017. Three train rides will be available each day the trains are running at 4:30 p.m., 6 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. While THE POLAR EXPRESS™ Train Ride is also offered in Old Sacramento by the California State Railroad Museum & Foundation, all train ride tickets in that location have already sold out.

Utilizing a festive locomotive decked out to reflect Christmas magic and headed to the North Pole, the staff and volunteers at Railtown 1897 SHP go to great lengths to re-create the holiday experience depicted in the classic children's book of the same name by Chris Van Allsburg. The holiday experience includes keepsake souvenir tickets, hot cocoa, festive holiday cookies, Santa Claus sightings and even the coveted silver bells – the first gift of Christmas for those who still believe in Santa Claus. Additionally, guests who bring their cameras or smartphones can capture memorable holiday photos in the historic Roundhouse – complete with a steam engine in the background.

"It's not too late to experience the magical and award-winning train ride we are proud to offer again this holiday season," said Jackie Olavarria, Railtown Supervising Ranger "Chosen out of 50 Polar Express partners in the U.S. and Canada, Railtown 1897 was honored to be recognized by Rail Events with a prestigious Polar Bell award for Best Décor."

Ticket prices for THE POLAR EXPRESS™ Train Ride at Railtown 1897 SHP are as follows: \$50 per person for coach seating, open-air car is \$200 per table of four, and \$70 per person for First Class seating that includes a commemorative THE POLAR EXPRESS™ mug (note an additional service fee of \$6 per ticket or \$24 per table will apply at purchase checkout). Children under two years of age are free and must be seated on an adult's lap during the ride. THE POLAR EXPRESS™ Train Ride is a fundraiser for the California State Railroad Museum Foundation, which supports Railtown 1897 SHP. Advance tickets are available online only at www.railtown1897.org. Additionally, more information is available on THE POLAR EXPRESS™ Train Ride hotline at 209-984-3407.



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