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Railtown 1897 Calls Out for Volunteers

JAMESTOWN, Calif. – Railtown 1897 is looking for interested volunteers who love meeting visitors and telling the story of the Sierra Railway and the legacy of the steam locomotive era. California State Parks and Railtown 1897 State Historic Park (SHP) are accepting applications for individuals interested in volunteering to help communicate the fascinating railroading history of the “Movie Railroad” in the beautiful Sierra foothills. Community members are encouraged to join this worthwhile program that offers an opportunity to support the local state historic park while learning more about California’s rich history, meeting new people and developing friendships with those who share similar interests.

While no previous experience with trains or public service is required, recruitment is currently underway for Car Host, Roundhouse Host and Tour Guide volunteer positions. Interpretive workshops will be held in June and July plus on-the-job training with park staff and veteran volunteers will be available.

Railtown 1897 SHP is known for its century-old steam maintenance shops and train rides, including popular rides behind the famous “Movie Star Locomotive” Sierra No. 3™. In addition to weekend excursion steam trains (April through October), Railtown 1897 SHP offers daily tours, roving interpreters, and many special events.

Benefits for volunteering at Railtown 1897 SHP include membership in the California State Railroad Museum Foundation, free admission to and train rides at Railtown 1897 SHP and at the California State Railroad Museum, a variety of social activities, interesting training opportunities and guest speakers, discounts at the Depot Store, and participation in an annual volunteer recognition dinner. Interested volunteers can download a volunteer application at www.railtown1897.org or call 209-984-4408 for more information.

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