

# Iron and Ice: Snow Trains

## From January 12 to February 25, 2018

SAINT-CONSTANT, January 11, 2018 – Winter has arrived and from January 12 to February 25, 2017, **visitors** can learn about how the weather impacts Canadian railway operations at Exporail. The public is invited to climb aboard the Rotary Snowplow, discover its fascinating history and how it works. Winter brings opportunities too, and railways have taken advantage of these to grow the number of riders. By visiting a Canadian Pacific passenger car, visitors can learn about the snow trains that brought thousands of skiers to the Laurentian hill stations. For kids from 4 to 8 years old, Exporail propose following an observation trail which will give them an idea of what it is like to take a train trip in winter.

## Schedule

Open Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Visit of the rotary snowplow's cab. : 11:30 a.m. 1:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. Visit of the CPR 1554 passenger car : 11 :00 a.m. and 14 :30 p.m.

## Activities and exhibitions

*Railroad Jobs:* Along with our tour guide, visitors are invited to discover railroad jobs like a brakeman, a carman, a track-man or a motorman. These activities are available every Saturday and Sunday at 11 a.m. and at 2:30 pm.

Guided tours of the permanent exhibition: available in English every Saturday and Sunday at 2:30 p.m.

Rocky Mountain Express (\$4 p.p.) : English version at 1:30 p.m. (8 years and over)

## Stop, Look, Listen: Incoming Train?

The exhibit, presented at Exporail's Hays train station as an interactive course with railroad-themed decor, facilitates the understanding and application of safety messages. Joined by their parents, young visitors take on the role of apprentice locomotive engineer, using their imagination, senses and motor skills to complete eight challenges. It teaches them to detect danger when approaching train tracks and to recognize the safety signs and devices surrounding them. The whole visit provides an interactive, educational, fun and preventative railway safety experience.

The project was realized with the financial support of our backers : CN, Agence métropolitaine de transport, Cando Rail Services Ltd., the Montreal Port Authority, Sydney Coal Railway (Logistec Corporation), Ontario Southland Railway Inc., Tshiuetin Rail Transportation Inc. and The Canadian Heartland Training Railway Services Inc.

## Of Steel and Paper: Tales from the CP Archives

#### Until May 27<sup>th</sup>, 2018

The development of Canada is closely linked to the story of its railways. Over the years, railway companies have played a vital role in the seminal historical events that defined the nation. Canadian Pacific (CP) is without doubt one of the most important of these contributors, and CP's archives document the words, the writings, and the actions that helped shape the country's early growth. This exhibition offers a intriguing view into this archival world, and allows us to relive some pivotal moments from history which created the Canada we know today—a country built on rails.

This exhibition has been produced by Exporail, the Canadian Railway Museum. Exporail wishes to thank CP for the generous donation of the Canadian Pacific archives, and for its ongoing financial support of the Canadian Railroad Historical Association Foundation.

## Useful Information

Until May 20, 2018: open Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Admission Fees: <u>exporail.org/en/plan-your-visit/</u>

### About Exporail

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