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## More info to share about THE railroad community event of 2023 “Railroad Days” Open House in Anchorage

ANCHORAGE, Alaska - The Alaska Railroad Corporation (ARRC) now has more information to share to help the public fully enjoy the upcoming “Railroad Days” community open house in Anchorage. The event is 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, May 6.

“The open house has been a very popular event for families, rail fans, and for folks just curious about the state’s railroad. We expect thousands of Alaskans will visit our Anchorage Historic Depot next Saturday. We’re ready to welcome them with FREE entrance, FREE parking, FREE train rides, and many more family-friendly FREE activities,” said Christy Terry, ARRC External Affairs Director.

At the open house, people with questions can look for anyone with a railroad badge, and dressed in a 100-year logo T-shirt and ball cap. Before the event, people can also get the scoop on where activities and free parking are located, thanks to recently posted materials posted on the ARRC company website’s public events page:

<https://www.alaskarailroad.com/corporate/community/public-events>

- **NEW!** [Parking Map](#) - find several parking lots in the vicinity of the depot, where the public can park for free during the open house (between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., Saturday May 6)
- **NEW!** [Open House Activities Map](#) - locator and descriptions of all the activities and entertainment
- **NEW!** [Alaska Travel Train Participants](#) - communities with representatives, informative materials and displays aboard the static walk-on passenger train



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“In this year of centennial celebration, railroaders are particularly proud to share what they do, how they do it, and the tools and equipment that they use every day to provide passenger and freight rail transportation,” added Terry.

The event offers plenty of opportunities to engage with railroad employees from across the company. For example:

- **engineers, conductors** and **tour guides** welcome folks aboard the train for a ride
- **transportation experts** explain the SD70MAC locomotive to those stepping up into the cab
- **mechanics** and **heavy equipment operators** offer first-hand insight into how massive track maintenance equipment works
- **marketing & sales teams** offer exclusive coupons valid for 2-for-1 rail travel deals
- **reservations agents** at the ticket window can help people plan their next railroad travel adventure
- **Alaska Railroad Gift Shop sales technicians** can help folks with open house deals on merchandise
- **human resources reps** can answer questions about job openings that lead to rewarding careers
- **more railroader volunteers** will give kids temporary tattoos, provide cool giveaways, and help folks enter the prize drawings (for rail travel, centennial posters, and/or golden spikes).
- Aboard the passenger train on display, we’ve invited **representatives from rail belt communities** and attractions to talk to folks who come onboard to explore the passenger train on static display.

The Alaska Railroad is state-owned corporation providing year-round inter-city public rail transportation from Seward to Anchorage to Fairbanks. More information about railroad passenger service schedules, fares and depot locations is available at [www.AlaskaRailroad.com](http://www.AlaskaRailroad.com).

The second open house is scheduled in Fairbanks on Sept. 23, 2023.

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