

## News Release

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## Former railroader wins Alaska Railroad's 2018 Catch the Train Photo Contest

Anchorage resident David Blazejewski wins \$1,500, a rail travel package and his winning image featured on cover of railroad's 2019 calendar

ANCHORAGE, Alaska – Today, the Alaska Railroad named Anchorage resident and former employee David Blazejewski as the grand prize winner of the Catch the Train Photo Contest. The public selected Blazejewski's photograph through online voting via the Alaska Railroad <u>Facebook page.</u> His image of an Alaska Railroad passenger train parked next to the Alaska State Fairgrounds garnered more than 1,000 votes. The winning image will be featured on the cover of the Alaska Railroad's 12-month 2019 calendar. In addition to calendar cover honors, Blazejewski wins \$1,500, and the Alaska



Railroad's Denali Getaway package, which includes round-trip rail travel for four to Denali National Park and overnight accommodations at the Grande Denali Lodge.

All Catch the Train Photo Contest finalists were selected based on artistic merit, originality, subject and style of the photo submitted. Each finalist's photo will be featured as a month of the 2019 calendar as well as displayed in the Alaska Railroad's 2018 Panoramas onboard magazine. Finalists also receive travel for two on the Alaska Railroad route of their choice.

Finalist photos can be viewed on the Alaska Railroad Facebook page (<u>www.facebook.com/alaskarailroad</u>). For additional information about the Alaska Railroad's Catch the Train Photo Contest, visit <u>www.alaskarailroad.com/catchthetrain</u>.

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