



Layout/Display/Workshop

2019 - 2020

Show Schedule

The **Great Train Show** is the nation's largest traveling model train show. The show is designed for the general public, modelers, hobbyists, families, and the just plain curious. Each show features hundreds of tables of trains and accessories for sale, huge operating exhibits, activities for kids, and more. Don't miss your chance to be part of these amazing shows!

2019-2020 Show Schedule:

November 2 & 3, 2019	Lewisville, TX – Premier Expo Center	GTTS	Shakopee, MN – Canterbury Park
November 23 & 24, 2019			Fort Wayne, IN – Allen Co. War Memorial
Nov 30 & Dec 1, 2019			Collinsville, IL – Gateway Center
December 14 & 15, 2019			Overland Park, KS – Overland Park Conv Ctr
December 28 & 29, 2019			Grayslake, IL – Lake County Fairgrounds
January 4 & 5, 2020	Sacramento, CA – Cal Expo		
January 11 & 12, 2020	Boise, ID – Expo Idaho/Fairgrounds		Louisville, KY – Kentucky Exposition Center
January 18 & 19, 2020	Puyallup, WA – Western Washington		
January 25 & 26, 2020	Portland, OR – Portland Expo Center		
February 1 & 2, 2020	Ventura, CA – Seaside Park/Ventura County Fair		St. Charles, MO – St. Charles Convention Ctr
February 8 & 9, 2020	Costa Mesa, CA – Orange County Fairgrounds		Indianapolis, IN – Indiana St Fairgrounds
February 22 & 23, 2020	San Jose, CA – Santa Clara County Fairgrounds		Novi, MI – Suburban Collection Showplace
March 21 & 22, 2020	Pleasanton, CA – Alameda County Fairgrounds		
March 28 & 29, 2020			Dayton, OH – Montgomery Co Fairgrounds
May 30 & 30, 2020			Belleville, IL – Belle Clair Fairgrounds
August 8 & 9, 2020	Pomona, CA – Fairplex		

Show Schedule Highlights:

Dallas/Fort Worth - Great Texas Train Show

We will be returning to the DFW market with our newest brand, the Great Texas Train Show! We will again be offering a certificate to everyone purchasing a ticket as this has really grown the show!

Collinsville, IL

As always, Collinsville will be over Thanksgiving weekend. This year, we will be bringing our Thomas the Tank Engine train ride we use at WGH. Thomas will be featured in the advertising and will drive an even larger crowd.

Overland Park, KS

We had a very nice show here last year and everyone asked if we would be returning. We are!

Grayslake

This show massively benefited from moving to the weekend between Christmas and New Year's Eve last season. While we had to deal with the Holiday being Sunday, it worked out very well, so we are keeping it right there, especially since the holiday will not impact us this year. The show is December 28 & 29, 2019, so there are no holiday related issues to deal with. I would look for an even larger crowd and more dealer participation as we will be bringing our Thomas train ride here as well.

Boise, ID

Last year, we added Boise. The show was excellent and we are happy to be returning. The show again lines up with Puyallup and Portland, so a very nice three show run is available in January. Make your plans now.

Ventura, CA

Last year, we also added Ventura. The show was excellent as well and we are happy to be returning. I was able to move it off of the Portland weekend, so those of you that wanted to do both shows no can.

Novi, MI

We are happy to have Novi return to our normal GTS event.

Dayton, OH

The fairgrounds built two new building last year, and we are excited to be returning to Dayton.

Belleville

In 2020, the NMRA National will be in Saint Louis in mid-July. As a result, we are moving the Belleville show up a couple of months.

Setup Times

Vendors who pay for tables will move in and set up starting at 10:00am on Friday. Layouts and operating displays will move in and set up starting at Noon. This will allow us to get the larger vendors' vehicles into the show, unloaded, and out of the building before the layouts set up and should reduce everyone's blood pressure on Friday afternoon. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our office. This should make for a more relaxing and less stressful Friday.

Help Support Model Railroading!

The Great Train Show is dedicated to promoting the hobby of model railroading, but we need YOUR help! We're looking for clubs and individuals to bring the following attractions to our shows:

- Operating Model Layouts & Static Displays
- Riding Trains
- Workshops & Demonstrations
- Other Model Railroading Related Displays & Attractions
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Workshops & Demonstrations

Are you great at an aspect of model railroading? Share your gift with others at one of our shows! We pay \$25 for workshops to help offset the cost of materials (if any). You can offer any topic you'd like as long as it's related to model railroading. In the past, topics have included scenery, weathering, wiring, module construction and DCC. We would love to have any topic you would be interested in presenting.

Public Show Hours

The show is open to the public from 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM, both Saturday and Sunday.

Setup Policies/Procedures

The setup hours are Friday from Noon – 5:00 PM, and on Saturday from 7:00 AM – 10:00 AM. Most locations will allow dealers to drive their vehicles/trailers into the facility to unload, however it is not possible to drive-in at every location. Drive-in access will be restricted as pathways become obstructed with layouts and other vehicles. We prefer that all exhibitors unload their vehicles and immediately remove their vehicle(s) from the hall before unpacking. This speeds up the process for everyone..

Exhibitor Terms & Conditions

Standard Honorarium

Workshop presenters will be paid a \$25.00 standard honorarium for the weekend

Display layouts will be paid a standard honorarium based on square footage and will be as follows:

\$50.00	Less than 100 ft of actual layout
\$100.00	101 to 499 ft of actual layout
\$150.00	500 or more ft of actual layout

You may request a non-standard honorarium. Please be aware we will give **first preference** to those who do not require an honorarium, then **second preference** to those who request the standard honorarium and **lastly** the non-standard honorarium requests. Odds are, if you are asking for something other than the standard honorarium, you will not be accepted except in rare circumstances.

Acceptance Process

A letter indicating the status of this contract will be sent after the contract is received. The letter will state whether the contract has been accepted, declined, or is on-hold (pending) while we complete the show floor plan. If placed in a "pending" status, you will receive an accepted or declined notice of this contact at least 21 days before the show. This agreement constitutes an agreement between parties and cannot be orally modified. Modifications can only be made by written agreement.

Additional Terms & Conditions

The term "EXHIBITOR" applies to clubs, dealers, organizations or individuals(s) presenting exhibits, displays or demonstrations related to trains and train-related hobbies. The EXHIBITOR hereby agrees to the following regulations, which are listed in the dealer EXHIBITOR contract and to any amendments, which may be established in consideration for the space provided by Great Train Expo/Great Train Show and Train Show, Inc. EXHIBITOR agrees to keep his/her display operational to the public, to not remove any items from his/her display for the purpose of packing during the public show hours. Violation of this rule will lead to exclusion from future shows and may result in a claim for damages to the appearance of the show. EXHIBITOR releases Train Show, Inc from all claims arising from EXHIBITORS show occupancy, including but not limited to loss, theft, damage, destruction or injury to EXHIBITOR'S business or EXHIBITOR personnel. EXHIBITOR releases Train Show, Inc from all claims arising out of Train Show, Inc's failure to provide space, removal of exhibit, or failure to hold the show. EXHIBITOR understands Great Train Expo/Great Train Show and Train Show, Inc assume no responsibility for any EXHIBITOR property or for safety at the show. EXHIBITOR agrees to hold harmless Great Train Expo/Great Train Show and Train Show, Inc, its exhibition centers, and contractors for any and all actions that may occur involving the show. EXHIBITOR agrees to indemnify Great Train Expo/Great Train Show and Train Show, Inc for any liability that may be caused by or related to their participation. This includes but is not limited to any liability caused by people EXHIBITOR provides EXHIBITOR badges to, people EXHIBITOR invites to the show, and any liability that may be caused by the EXHIBITOR'S actions. Train Show, Inc retains the right to reject, eject or prohibit any product or exhibit in whole or in part or to reject, or eject an EXHIBITOR or his/her representative(s) with or without giving cause. If cause is not given, Train Show, Inc's liability shall not exceed the return to the EXHIBITOR the amount of the license fee unearned at the time of ejection. EXHIBITOR agrees to collect and remit sales and use tax in accordance with governmental regulations. EXHIBITOR acknowledges that Train Show, Inc furnishes the name of each EXHIBITOR to the state or governmental unit(s) as legally required. Any controversy or claim arising out of or relating to this license, or the breach thereof, shall be settled by arbitration in accordance with the Commercial Arbitration Rules of the American Arbitration Association, and judgment upon the award rendered by the Arbitrator(s) may be entered in any court having jurisdiction thereof. It is agreed that such arbitration would occur in our offices in Carol Stream, Illinois.

**** This is a legally-binding agreement ****

It's understood that each party intends to be legally bound by it

Club/Trade Name:			
Last Name:		First Name:	
Address:			
City:		State:	Zip Code:
Phone:		E-Mail:	

Please check (v) which show(s) you'd like to participate at:

	Show Date(s)	Show Location		Show Date(s)	Show Location
<input type="checkbox"/>	11/02-03/2019	Shakopee, MN	<input type="checkbox"/>	02/01-02/2020	Saint Charles, MO
<input type="checkbox"/>	11/02-03/2019	Lewisville, TX (GTTS)	<input type="checkbox"/>	02/01-02/2020	Ventura, CA
<input type="checkbox"/>	11/23-24/2019	Fort Wayne, IN	<input type="checkbox"/>	02/08-09/2020	Indianapolis, IN
<input type="checkbox"/>	11/30-12/1/2019	Collinsville, IL	<input type="checkbox"/>	02/08-09/2020	Costa Mesa, CA
<input type="checkbox"/>	12/14-15/2019	Overland Park, KS	<input type="checkbox"/>	02/22-23/2020	Novi, MI
<input type="checkbox"/>	12/28-29/2019	Grayslake, IL	<input type="checkbox"/>	02/22-23/2020	San Jose, CA
<input type="checkbox"/>	01/04-05/2020	Sacramento, CA	<input type="checkbox"/>	03/21-22/2020	Pleasanton, CA
<input type="checkbox"/>	01/11-12/2020	Louisville, KY	<input type="checkbox"/>	03/28-29/2020	Dayton, OH
<input type="checkbox"/>	01/11-12/2020	Boise, ID	<input type="checkbox"/>	05/30-31/2020	Belleville, IL
<input type="checkbox"/>	01/18-19/2020	Puyallup, WA	<input type="checkbox"/>	08/08-09/2020	Pomona, CA
<input type="checkbox"/>	01/25-26/2020	Portland, OR			

Please check (v) which of the following you'd like to offer at the show(s) and fill in the appropriate information in each section

<input type="checkbox"/>	Preferred Dimensions <i>Enter the preferred dimensions you would like to display at the show</i>	Dimensions	Length ↔	Width ↕

<input type="checkbox"/>	Alternate Dimensions <i>Rarely, but occasionally, we may need to reduce the size to fit, or we may have extra space available. If you are flexible in size, please list the min/max dimensions of your display</i>	Min/Max Dimensions	Min Length ↔	Min Width ↕	Max Length ↔	Max Width ↕				
		Gauge/Scale:	<input type="checkbox"/> G	<input type="checkbox"/> HO	<input type="checkbox"/> N	<input type="checkbox"/> O	<input type="checkbox"/> S	<input type="checkbox"/> Z	<input type="checkbox"/> LEGO	<input type="checkbox"/> Other Display

<input type="checkbox"/>	Workshop/Demonstration	Title(s) or Subject(s):	
		Preferred Time(s):	

<input type="checkbox"/>	Club/Organization Tables	Merchandise Being Sold:	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, Club Merchandise <u>ONLY</u> (Complete Box Below)
		Sales Tax # or Tax Exempt #:		

Total # of Tables (8' x 30") Required:		Electricity Required:	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
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Does your club require an *HONORARIUM* to participate? <i>See the terms & conditions page for information about how our HONORARIUM system works</i>		<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <i>Complete Next Line</i>
If YES, is the STANDARD okay?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> NO →	If standard NOT okay, what amount do you require?	\$

I certify that I have read the terms and conditions & agree to abide by those conditions