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Mid-Continent Railway Museum to Host Autumn Events

Baraboo Area Railroad Museum’s Popular Fall Trains Scheduled For Upcoming Weekends

NORTH FREEDOM, WIS. – Forty-five miles northwest of Madison, Wis. in a broad valley between the northern and southern ranges of the Baraboo Bluffs you’ll find Mid-Continent Railway Museum. The museum is filled with historic train cars and locomotives, many of which have been meticulously restored by museum volunteers and are stored inside two large display buildings. Along with the exhibits, visitors can climb aboard for a relaxing 55-minute ride aboard century-old railroad passenger cars. Uniformed conductors collect tickets and share historical information during the ride. The museum will be hosting two special events this October.

On October 11th through 13th, the museum hosts its *Autumn Color Weekend*. The train passes through a valley of farms and wetlands while the heavily-forested Baraboo Bluffs decorate the horizon with differing shades of leaves. Reservations are suggested for this popular event as some departures sell out. The museum also operates a second train that pulls dining cars. The First Class ticketed passengers on these cars sip beverages and sample hors d’oeurves during the ride. Reservations are required for First Class tickets and they often sell out well in advance.

The weekend of October 19th and 20th is the railroad museum’s *Pumpkin Special* event. During this kid-friendly event, passengers take a ride to the end of the rail line where they find an assortment of pumpkins from a local pumpkin farmer. After choosing a future Jack-o-Lantern, passengers can bring their pumpkins aboard for the return trip.

Schedules and tickets for these events are available at [www.midcontinent.org](http://www.midcontinent.org) or by calling the museum ticket office at 800-930-1385.

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# About Mid-Continent Railway Museum

Mid-Continent Railway Historical Society–also known as Mid-Continent Railway Museum–is an outdoor, living museum and operating railroad recreating the small town/short line way of life during the “Golden Age of Railroading,” with operating trains, educational exhibits, and displays of restored rolling stock. Mid-Continent has operated at North Freedom, Wisconsin since 1963.

Mid-Continent Railway Museum Homepage: <http://www.midcontinent.org>

Media Page (full-resolution photos, logos, etc.): <http://www.midcontinent.org/media-page/>

Full resolution photos are available via the Media Page link.