

LIONEL COLLECTORS CLUB of AMERICA

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Lionel Train Collectors Holds Annual Convention At Nashville Sheraton Music City Hotel July 23-30, 2022

Nashville, TN – The Lionel Collectors Club of America (LCCA) National Convention will celebrate its 52-year history in Nashville, Tennessee. The model train collectors will headquarter their event at the Sheraton Music City Hotel and visit toy and real train-related attractions and other train-related attractions in and around Nashville during late July.

Over 500 collectors, spouses, children and fans of the iconic Lionel model electric train brand are expected for the club's gathering in Nashville. The 2022 event promises to be a big treat for LCCA members who have not had a club convention in the past two years.

The event will include model train layouts, seminars on all things model railroading, and presentations by executives of Lionel. And no model railroad convention would be complete without a swap meet. The LCCA will hold a two-day train show/swap meet in the convention hotel on Friday and Saturday, July 29 and 30. The event will be open to members only on Friday from 6 to 9 p.m. and open to the general public on Saturday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Each year the club offers unique O gauge convention cars at the convention. These cars are made exclusively in limited quantities for attending club members and include graphics that relate to railroads and iconic attractions in the convention area.

The convention will also include tours of area rail attractions during the week. LCCA members will have the opportunity to ride the Tennessee Central Excursion train, visit area attractions and visit local members' home train layouts. And because there are so many things to do for LCCA members, this year's convention has an added day (Saturday, July 23th) to better accommodate members.

"We look forward to sharing the fun of the convention with members of all ages, including a unique modular O gauge train layout from LCCA FasTrack® Modular Railroad club members from across the country," said LCCA President and CEO Sal Gambino. The modular layout will be available for public viewing at 9 a.m. Wednesday, July 27, through 3 p.m. Saturday, July 30.

Other model train club members can join the LCCA until July 1 and attend the convention with a special one-time rate of \$25 for a regular membership from July 1 until December 31. All additional standard convention registration fees will apply. Interested train collectors and operators can sign up for this special opportunity on the LCCA website at lionelcollectors.org or by calling the LCCA business office from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. (CDT) at (815) 223-0115. You may also join and register during the convention at the Sheraton Music City Hotel registration desk.

This limited offer to join the LCCA and participate in the national convention will provide Nashville area train enthusiasts with a regular LCCA membership for July through December, which will include:

- two issues of the award-winning club magazine, The Lion Roars
- access to the members-only areas of the club website
- two issues of Interchange Track for buying and selling model trains
- opportunity to purchase limited edition member-only custom Lionel merchandise
- access to the LCCA website's new Lionel digital archives featuring complete historic Lionel, American Flier and Ives catalogs in enhanced color dating back to 1900

To register for the 2022 LCCA convention or get more details about all of the events and the club, visit lionelcollectors.org. #LCCANashville

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Lionel Collectors Club of America

The Lionel Collectors Club of America (LCCA) was founded in the Midwest in 1970 by a group of hobbyists to promote awareness and enjoyment of Lionel toy trains. Today, the LCCA is a not-for-profit, international hobby-based organization with members nationwide and around the world who are toy train collectors and operators. Members favor Lionel trains, and the club collaborates with Lionel L.L.C. to produce limited-edition collectible cars, train sets, and special products exclusively for members.