



## MEDIA RELEASE

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### **\$15,000 Grant Brings Toronto's Railway Workers' Stories Online**

**TORONTO** – The Toronto Railway Museum is pleased to announce the launch of *On the Rails: The Experiences of Toronto's Railway Workers*, a new digital exhibit. The bilingual online project will be available to the public beginning on June 2, and was developed with funding from the Digital Museums Canada investment program.

*On the Rails* explores the unique and everyday challenges of Toronto's past and current railway workers. Hop aboard to discover the jobs of Canada's sleeping car porters, the behind-the-scenes duties at Union Station, and other first-hand experiences of railway professionals. *On the Rails* presents these narratives through interviews with railway workers, photos, and artifacts.

In 2021, the Toronto Railway Museum (TRM) received a \$15,000 grant from Digital Museums of Canada in the small investment stream. Digital Museums Canada is the largest funding program in Canada dedicated to online projects by the museum and heritage community.

"We are proud to present our newest digital exhibit, *On the Rails: The Experiences of Toronto's Railway Workers*," said Pat Ressa, Chair of the Toronto Railway Historical Association (TRHA) Board. "With the support of the Digital Museums Canada (DMC) investment program, this exhibit focuses on the people who drove an essential part of the industrial heritage of what became Canada's largest city."

*On the Rails: The Experiences of Toronto's Railway Workers* was developed with the support of the Digital Museums Canada investment program. Digital Museums Canada is managed by the Canadian Museum of History, with the financial support of the Government of Canada. The Digital Museums Canada investment program helps build digital capacity in Canadian museums and heritage organizations and gives Canadians unique access to diverse stories and experiences.

The Toronto Railway Museum is committed to telling the stories of the railways, and welcoming conversations of its varied experiences through its exhibits, events, and integrated programming with a goal to learn from the past to make the future better. The museum is open year-round inside the historic John Street Roundhouse in downtown Toronto.

Visit the exhibit [in English](#) or in [French](#).

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