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Trainfest Goes International in 2020

MILWAUKEE – Model railroad groups from around the world are being invited to exhibit their operating layouts at the Trainfest 49th anniversary show, themed “20/20. Clear Tracks Ahead,” at Wisconsin State Fair Park on Nov 14-15, 2020 in Milwaukee.

“Over the last few years, we’ve been contacted by a number of clubs and individuals, primarily from Asia and Europe, about exhibiting at Trainfest. Since the interest level is so high, we thought 2020 would be the perfect year to launch this international exhibit effort,” says Ken Jaglinski, Trainfest Chairman.

As Trainfest is an all-volunteer effort, it has launched a *Go Fund Me* page (*2020 Trainfest*) for rail fans, hobbyists and Trainfest fans to support the International Exhibition. Funds raise will offset transportation costs of the international exhibits. In addition, Trainfest is collaborating with a number of global hobby manufacturers on developing ways to offset exhibit transportation costs for the groups and the expense of the additional floor space.

“We want this to be an affordable way for our fellow international hobbyists to experience the atmosphere of model railroading in the United States,” said Jaglinski. “We know our Trainfest enthusiasts will enjoy seeing the addition of these railroads from around the world.”

Hobbyists and rail fans are encouraged to contact Trainfest at 2020@trainfest.com with suggested railroads to invite to the Exhibition.

“This is an exciting next chapter for Trainfest and one we plan to continue well past the ‘20/20. Clear Tracks Ahead’ 49th anniversary of Trainfest,” says Jaglinski.

Potential exhibitors should email Trainfest at 2020@trainfest.com to receive an exhibit application.

About Trainfest. Trainfest is America’s largest operating model railroad show and the largest fall event held in the City of Festivals – Milwaukee. The event showcases 70 huge and remarkable operating railroads from Z to G scale, more than 100 manufacturers and hobby dealers, dozens of expert clinics, historical displays, and hundreds of hands-on activities and demos. Trainfest is staged by the Wisconsin Southeastern Division, Inc. of the NMRA, a nonprofit organization. Trainfest is held annually on the second weekend of November. More info at www.trainfest.com.

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