



# MEDIA ADVISORY

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## THEY'LL BE BOARDING THE SANTA EXPRESS

### *Opening weekend for 7th annual holiday attraction at Travel Town Museum*

**WHEN:** **Saturday, November 28, 2009** **5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.**  
**Sunday, November 29, 2009** **5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.**

**WHERE:** **Travel Town Transportation Museum** **5200 Zoo Dr. (in Griffith Park)**

**WHAT:** Opening weekend for the 7th annual Train Ride to Visit Santa holiday program at a City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks facility in Griffith Park. Passengers will take a short trip aboard the Santa Express miniature train to Santa's North Pole Village, where they can tour jolly old St. Nick's residence and visit with him as he prepares for his annual global travelling. Mrs. Claus will be the evening's hostess and talk about life at the top of the world. The return trip will go through a wonderland of holiday lights, scenery, and music. The gaily program is put on by Travel Town Railroad, weather permitting, in cooperation with the Department.

Additional dates for this special holiday presentation are December 4-6, 11-13, and 16-23, and those planning to go should dress for cold weather. Tickets are \$7 per person; children 18 months old or younger can ride for free, and parking is also free. Digital photos with Santa can be purchased for \$5, or guests can take their own photos for free. Given the popularity of the attraction, buying tickets in advance at the Travel Town ticket booth or online at [www.gprah.com/organization/christmas.htm](http://www.gprah.com/organization/christmas.htm) is suggested. Any remaining tickets will be sold at the gate.

**WHO:** Children 18 months and older – parents, other family members, and/or friends, too

**VISUALS:** Boys and girls – and adults – enjoying the dazzling displays of holiday spirit

**TO GET TO TRAVEL TOWN MUSEUM:** From the **134 (Ventura) Freeway**, exit at Forest Lawn Dr. Take Forest Lawn Dr. a short distance south to Zoo Dr. Take Zoo Dr. east to the facility, which is on the left (north) side of the street (*Thomas Guide page 563, grid H-4*).

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