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Travel back in time, and across the Canadian Rockies, in 'Rocky Mountain Express' at Great Lakes Science Center

CLEVELAND (October 18, 2017) – From mountaintops and evergreen forests to canyon precipices and mile-long tunnels, "Rocky Mountain Express" takes viewers on an unforgettable journey across the Canadian Rockies and into history for an incredible story of mankind's ingenuity and endurance.

In an era when drones fly and driverless cars are being road-tested, it can be tough to visualize what state-of-the-art transportation looked like around the end of the 19th century. Great Lakes Science Center brings the era of the steam train to the giant screen in the Cleveland Clinic DOME Theater beginning Friday, November 3 with "Rocky Mountain Express."

"Rocky Mountain Express" follows a restored steam engine operated by the Canadian Pacific Railway as it travels the original route across 14,000 miles of rail. Along the way, spectacular giant-screen cinematography and aerial footage of the vintage steam train is intercut with archival images that tell the story of how Canada's first intercontinental railway was constructed against towering odds.

The film is the perfect complement to All Aboard! The Science of Trains, the Science Center's newest temporary exhibition, also opening on Friday, November 3. All Aboard! allows rail fans of all ages to get a closer look at the world of the railroads from locomotives to cabooses, through hands-on exhibits and the rail history of Cleveland.

Exhibit experiences, in collaboration with the Midwest Railway Preservation Society, will include the technical wonder of locomotives, the science and engineering of rail transportation, authentic local artifacts, Cleveland railroad history, a ride-on Dominion Energy Train, a community build and HO scale model railroading displays.

For showtimes, tickets and more information, visit GreatScience.com.

(Editor's note: The Science Center's fall/winter operating schedule is Tuesday through Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and noon to 5 p.m. Sundays. The museum is closed on Mondays and during all home Browns games.)

About Great Lakes Science Center

Great Lakes Science Center, home of the NASA Glenn Visitor Center, makes science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) come alive for more than 300,000 visitors a year through hundreds of hands-on exhibits, temporary exhibitions, the Cleveland Clinic DOME Theater, Steamship *William G. Mather*, daily science demonstrations, seasonal camps, and more. The Science Center is funded in part by the citizens of Cuyahoga County through Cuyahoga Arts and Culture. Visit **GreatScience.com** for more information.

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