

**Boston Street Railway Association, Inc.**  
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**Entertainment Calendar**  
**July – December, 2017**

Our monthly meetings are now held at the Midtown Hotel, 220 Huntington Avenue, Boston. This is near Symphony station on the “E” branch of the MBTA Green Line; it’s also accessible by the #1 Harvard–Dudley bus, and by Massachusetts Ave. station on the Orange Line. For more detailed directions, please visit our website [www.thebsra.org](http://www.thebsra.org). Thank you for your patience and understanding.

- July 8, 2017**      **CHICAGOLAND ELECTRIC RAILROADS.** Donald Nevin will show us slides he took of one of the last surviving electric interurban railroads, the Chicago, South Shore and South Bend, from the 1960s to the 1980s. We’ll also see the Illinois Central to South Chicago, plus the Chicago, North Shore and Milwaukee in its last few months of operation. *This meeting will be on the second Saturday of the month to avoid conflict with the July 4 holiday.*
- August 5, 2017**      **ELECTRIC TRANSIT IN THE 1960S, PART I.** Leonard Bachelder will present Part I of a slide show on electric transit in the 1960s and early 1970s, featuring many systems in North America that have since have undergone great changes or disappeared. These include Baltimore, Boston, Brooklyn, Calgary, Cleveland, Dayton, Edmonton, El Paso, Fort Worth, Halifax, Hamilton, Jersey City (PATH), Johnstown, Kitchener, Los Angeles, Milwaukee, Montreal, Newark, New Orleans, New York City subway (a small sample), and Chicago's North Shore Line. This show will feature many electric trolleybuses as well as streetcars.
- September 9, 2017**      **EARLY RAILROADS SERVING BOSTON’S INNER NORTH SHORE.** Bill Lieberman (a BSRA member living in San Francisco!) will present a visual summary of steam railroads that served Winthrop, Orient Heights, and Revere Beach in the 1870s and ’80s, based on his upcoming book, *The Train on the Beach*. Learn about narrow and standard gauge railroads that complemented — and sometimes competed with — the Boston, Revere Beach and Lynn Railroad. *This meeting will be on the second Saturday of the month to avoid conflict with the Labor Day holiday.*
- October 14, 2017**      **TRANSIT ARCHIVE VOLUME 3.** Donald Nevin will present a DVD that includes three silent films made in the 1920s by the Chicago North Shore and Milwaukee Railroad: “Along the Green Bay Trail”, showing passenger operations; “The Pace of Progress”, showing express freight operations; and “El Cars to the Eucharistic Congress” on June 20–24, 1926. This DVD also includes one silent film made by Chicago Surface Lines in the 1920s: “Safe Highways”, showing trolleys in staged accidents. *This meeting will be on the second Saturday of the month to avoid conflict with the Columbus Day holiday weekend.*
- November 4, 2017**      **ELECTRIC TRANSIT IN THE 1960S, PART II.** Leonard Bachelder will present Part II of his show on electric transit in the 1960s and early ’70s. Tonight’s segment includes Philadelphia (PTC and Red Arrow), Pittsburgh, St. Joseph, St. Louis, San Francisco, Saskatoon, Seattle, South Shore Line, Staten Island, Thunder Bay, Toronto (about 60 slides), Vancouver, Washington, and Winnipeg. This show will feature many electric trolleybuses as well as streetcars.
- December 2, 2017**      **JIM SCHANTZ’S SEASHORE TROLLEY MUSEUM UPDATE.** Seashore Trolley Museum President Jim Schantz will provide an update on recent progress at Seashore, including restoration of some important Boston cars, Seashore’s activities in Boston, and recent developments in the trolley system in Lowell. Finally, he will report on the museum’s participation in the streetcar activities of the American Public Transit Association and the Community Streetcar Coalition, and involvement with new streetcar projects across North America, with bonus photos of some European transit systems from 40 to 45 years ago.

The business meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. and includes a discussion of current news on the MBTA and other transit systems. The entertainment program begins at approximately 8:15 p.m. and generally lasts about 2 hours. Meetings are open to the public and are held on the first Saturday of the month. If the first Saturday falls on a holiday weekend, then the meeting will be postponed to the second Saturday of the month. For last-minute changes or additional information, please visit our website at [www.thebsra.org](http://www.thebsra.org). For cancellation info in the event of extreme weather, see the website.

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