## **Boston Street Railway Association, Inc.**

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## Entertainment Calendar • Febuary – April, 2023

We continue to hold our monthly meetings virtually using the online Zoom platform. We start admitting people from the waiting room shortly before 7:30 PM Eastern Time. Links to our Zoom meetings are now posted on our website at <a href="https://www.thebsra.org/meetings">www.thebsra.org/meetings</a> on the day of the meeting. Just go to that website and click on the link to join the meeting.

Some of the programs described below have changed from what was previously announced.

We are still looking for presenters for our programs in May and subsequent months. If you have a show that you could give at one of our upcoming meetings, please contact the BSRA at <u>info@thebsra.org</u>.

February 4, 2023 JIM SCHANTZ'S SEASHORE TROLLEY MUSEUM UPDATE. Seashore Trolley Museum

President and CEO Jim Schantz will provide an update on recent progress at Seashore, including restoration efforts on a wide variety of cars. He'll also give a description of two major construction projects underway at Seashore, one to replace and expand the museum's oldest carbarn, South Boston. The second is to construct a year-round home for the Maine Central Model Railroad being relocated from Jonesport, Maine, to Seashore's campus. These projects are

made possible by donations of over \$4 million to the museum.

March 4, 2023 SOUTH SHORE ELECTRIC RAILWAYS: DEDHAM, QUINCY, BROCKTON, AND BEYOND.

Leo Sullivan will present a slide show presenting the territory south of Boston to the south coast of Massachusetts and extending to the Bay State lines in Rhode Island, with a look at the southern part of the Bay State and Eastern Mass. Street

Railway system, with mention of connections to the east.

April 1, 2023 STORIES OF THE MBTA'S GRAND JUNCTION BRANCH: AN UNKNOWN BOSTON

**TRANSIT LIFELINE.** BSRA member and head of the YouTube channel "Boston By Rails", Nathan Ives will present his favorite catches on the MBTA's Grand Junction Branch over the past few years, whilst also explaining the importance of the line to the MBTA commuter rail. He will also cover the history and the interesting future the line holds, as well as sharing some common misconceptions that go along with the Grand Junction. Photos of stone trains, vital equipment moves,

and more, come along to learn about this fascinating train line.

Upcoming 2023 meetings: May 6, June 3, July 8, August 5, September 9, October 14, November 4.

The business meeting begins at 7:30 PM and includes a discussion of current news on the MBTA and other transit systems. The entertainment program begins about 8:00 PM and generally lasts about  $1\frac{1}{2}$ –2 hours. Meetings 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. For last-minute changes or additional info about our upcoming meetings and other events, please visit our website www.thebsra.org.

The BSRA does not permit any video, still, or sound recording of the entertainment programs at our inperson, live meetings, or at our Internet-based Zoom meetings. This is out of respect for the rights of our presenters and out of consideration for all members of our audience, and to ensure that we are in compliance with copyright and intellectual property law. If individual members want recordings of entertainment programs provided at our meetings, we suggest that you contact the presenter and make arrangements directly with the presenter for the material you want. It is up to the individual presenter to determine to what extent they are willing to do so. We appreciate your co-operation. Thank you.