



# Connecticut Day Trip

Sunday, June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2017



## Spend the day visiting two exceptional rail museums in nearby Connecticut

The ERA will kick off this summer with a day trip to two fantastic rail museums in Connecticut. On June 25<sup>th</sup>, we will visit the Shore Line Trolley Museum in East Haven and the Railroad Museum of New England in Thomaston. We'll conclude the day with a scenic train ride on the Naugatuck Railroad over the former New Haven Railroad Naugatuck Valley Branch.

The Shore Line Trolley Museum is the oldest operating trolley museum in the United States. The museum includes exhibits on trolley history and offers rides on restored trolleys along its 1.5 mile track. Their incredible collection includes a luxurious ConnCo parlor car, the oldest preserved transit car in the US, the personal car of August Belmont Jr., the oldest surviving electric locomotive, the first production PCC streetcar and a PATH train that survived the collapse of the World Trade Center on 9/11. The Railroad Museum of New England has a diverse collection representing the history of New England railroading.

**Schedule:** Our chartered Coach Tours bus will leave promptly at 8:00 a.m. from the east side of 8th Avenue, just south of West 41st Street, across the street from the Port Authority Bus Terminal. We will also make a stop at the Pelham Bay 6 train station. It is expected that our bus will return between 6 p.m. and 7 p.m. We will have ample time for a lunch break between the two museums.

