



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Katelyn Gainer, Marketing Manager
Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad
234.759.0097
kgainer@cvsr.org

Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad Announces 2021 Summer Schedule

The schedule will debut two new programs

VALLEY VIEW, OH, March 16, 2021 — Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad (CVSR) announced today that public train rides will resume May 1 with National Park Scenic rides.

National Park Scenic rides that run through Cuyahoga Valley National Park will operate three days a week in May (Friday through Sunday) and five days a week (Wednesday through Sunday) beginning in June. Departures will take place from Akron Northside Depot, Rockside Depot in Independence and Peninsula Depot and Boston Depot in Peninsula.

“We look forward to welcoming our guests and volunteers back on the train,” said CVSR President and CEO Joe Mazur. “We have an exciting season planned that includes the debut of The Cleveland Dinner and Event Train and the Explorer program.”

In addition to the National Park Scenic, CVSR will debut two new programs for the 2021 season, The Cleveland Dinner and Event Train and the Explorer program.

The Cleveland Dinner and Event Train, presented by Cascade Auto Group, combines CVSR’s popular dinner, beverage and event programs. Every Friday night beginning May 7 through October, CVSR will host the Cleveland Dinner and Event Train departing from the Rockside Station in Independence. Each Friday night, Dinner on the Train will be offered. In addition to Dinner on the Train, several excursions including Ales on Rails™ beer tastings, Murder Mystery, Grape Escape wine tastings and other themed programs will be available. Guests can choose one excursion to attend every Friday night.

“The Dinner Train was incredibly popular when we introduced it in 2019,” said CVSR President and CEO Joe Mazur. “Our beverage and event excursions continue to be a destination for people seeking one-of-kind experiences. Now, every Friday, our historic train becomes a venue where guests can choose from several excursions to create a memorable experience.”

The Explorer program, presented by Cleveland Clinic, is an expansion of the organization’s popular Bike Aboard program. The Explorer program encourages park visitors to get off the train and explore their park. Visitors can purchase a season-long pass or one-time pass to ride the train then

bike, kayak, hike or run the Cuyahoga Valley National Park. The Explorer program will run on the same dates and times as the National Park Scenic.

All CVSR excursions will operate with stringent safety practices and procedures for the foreseeable future including more frequent sanitation, the wearing of masks, implementing physical distancing and operating trains at no more than 50% capacity to improve employee, volunteer and guest safety. CVSR guests can learn more about COVID-19 safety at www.cvsr.org/covid-19-safety/

Tickets for the 2021 summer season will go on sale to CVSR members on March 23 and to the public March 26. Tickets can only be purchased online at cvsr.org or by calling customer service at (330) 439-5708.

###

About Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad

Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad (CVSR) is a private sector, not-for-profit 501(c)(3) volunteer supported organization operating in partnership with Cuyahoga Valley National Park (CVNP) and is dedicated to the preservation of passenger rail transportation in Cuyahoga Valley and the historic Ohio & Erie Canalway. CVSR has been providing excursion rail service for more than 40 years. For more information about the railroad, visit CVSR.org.