



ALL ABOARD!

Photographs ©mspillers2005

The KC Rail Experience

In the old days, the process of boarding a train at Union Station was pretty straightforward. You bought your ticket, headed for the North Waiting Room to find your gate and waited for the “All Aboard!”

Since September 2005, nearly 20,000 people have taken a similar route through the old waiting room - now known as Sprint Festival Plaza - to take a hands-on journey through the history of the American railroad at the *KC Rail Experience*.

This new permanent addition to Union Station is a place to experience the sights and sounds of a century of rail travel. The exhibit features personal histories, vintage rail cars, unique artifacts and a real locomotive simulator (see image).

Get your ticket today!



Test your skills on a real locomotive simulator just like the ones used by the railroads. Simulator donated by BNSF Railroad.

Ghosts tell their stories

Witness the evolution of rail travel as ghosts from Union Station's past come alive to tell their stories: A gandy dancer who sang as he worked the tracks, a Red Cross nurse providing comfort to returning WWI soldiers, a cattle drover on his way to market at the Kansas City Stockyards. These and many others find their voice inside the *KC Rail Experience*.

Railroad Artifacts

View fascinating artifacts from Union Station's exclusive railroad collection: signs, tools, dining car menus, collectible china, flatware and much more.

Vintage rail cars

Travel back in time as you tour a vintage Milwaukee Road dining car and the Going-to-the-Sun Mountain, a vintage Streamliner observation lounge car.