

Inside: What People are  
Saying about their  
Rocky Mountain Express IMAX Experience

# ROCKY MOUNTAIN EXPRESS

AN INCREDIBLE JOURNEY. A STORY OF MONUMENTAL COURAGE. A MAGICAL PLACE.

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## WHAT THEATERS ARE SAYING...

**"This is an amazing film!**

Audiences go out of their way to let us know how moved they are by the experience. In our recent preview screenings for over 600 educators, the teachers loved it!"

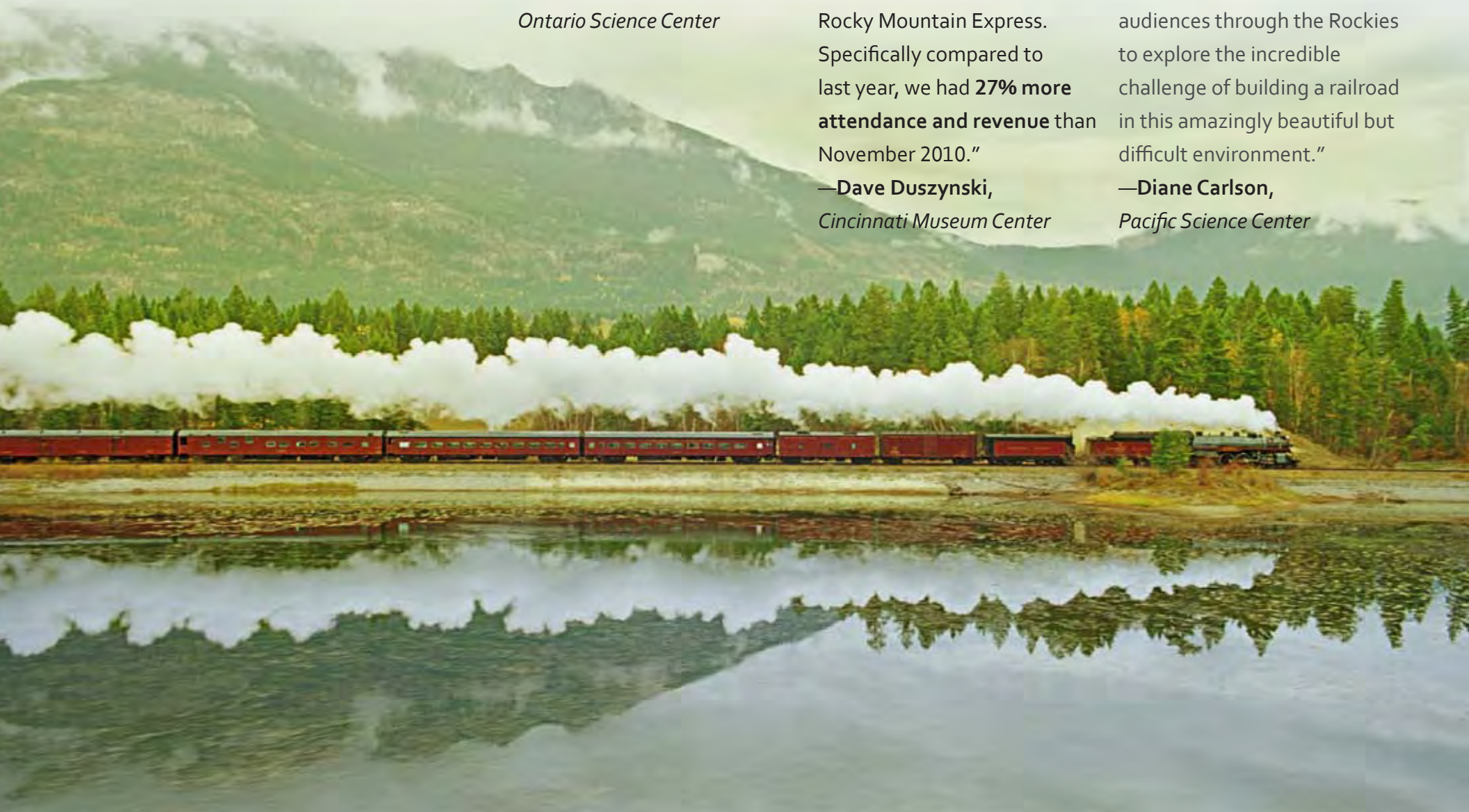
—Glenn Shaver,  
*Ontario Science Center*

"The film is beautiful. It's that simple. The images are absolutely stunning on the dome, the story-telling is superb. I definitely put this film in my top 10. Our Omnimax Theater just had our **best November in 7 years** with Rocky Mountain Express. Specifically compared to last year, we had **27% more attendance and revenue** than November 2010."

—Dave Duszynski,  
*Cincinnati Museum Center*

"It's beautiful. **Our audiences are blown away.** The teachers that previewed it also loved it—many spoke with me about their family memories and relationship to trains. Filmed in 1970, the shots are absolutely stunning—transporting our audiences through the Rockies to explore the incredible challenge of building a railroad in this amazingly beautiful but difficult environment."

—Diane Carlson,  
*Pacific Science Center*



## WHAT AUDIENCES ARE SAYING...

"This is an **absolutely amazing film!**" —Yvonne Hiemstra, on Facebook

"We had the thrilling experience of seeing the Rocky Mountain Express film. It was wonderful. **I want to see it again!**" —Terry Spaeth

"Saw your movie in Chicago last week. **Wow! Best use of the Omnimax I've seen in years.**"  
—Bill Griffiths, Racine, WI

"Just saw this at the museum of science and industry at Chicago, **absolutely fantastic!**"  
—Charlie Benoit, on Facebook

"I've seen dozens of omnimax/imax movies and this is now in my top 3"  
—Jim Goldschmidt, on Facebook

I saw "Rocky Mountain Express" yesterday in Seattle and **just loved it.** —Dan Del Grosso, Seattle, WA

## "... IT'S AN INCREDIBLE FILM..."

"Man, I **loved it!** Now I have to get to those mountains!"  
—Pearson Allen, *snowboarder*, Richmond VA

"My wife and I (plus kids and parents) have been going to our Omnimax for 20+ years. **Rocky Mountain Express is our favorite of all time.** We've been to see it twice so far and will probably go again before it leaves. It is a great piece of work—pulling at so many emotional strings. Congratulations." —Kenneth King, Ph.D., University of Cincinnati

"Being a 36 year old woman with two young kids, all my knowledge about steam trains (and interest for that matter) could fit inside a Thomas the Tank Engine play set. **This movie though, blew me away!!!** The concept of the train literally driving the movie, and the telling of the line and the pioneers and the absolutely incredible work they did, in uncharted BC wilderness!! The "macro" shots of the train, the gears, the pistons, the levers — amazing! **Fantastic use of the IMAX format!** And moving from the real life shots to the overhead animated maps really drove home the expanse that had to be covered to link the west coast to the rest of this country. **The use of archival footage was inspired,** imagining the work and the day to day life (they had dogs!). The story (as a whole and the many "smaller" stories — Roger's Pass; the avalanche; the resurrection of the train itself) **fascinating and beautifully told... I'm telling everyone**

**I know to go and see it. Congratulations on a fantastic piece of artistry!!**" —Tanya Anderson, Ottawa/Gatineau

"With it's strong stories, stunning visuals, beautiful score and the powerful 2816 showing off in all of her glory, "Rocky Mountain Express" is a fantastic dedication to the brave men who risk their lives to tackle Canada's roughest terrain to link the country by rail!"  
—Luke Iverson, University of Wisconsin—on Facebook

"... it's an INCREDIBLE film. In fact (and I don't use this word very often) I would say it's..AWESOME! If you ask me, it's these kinds of IMAX films that touch people deeply and remain in the hearts of viewers for a very long time. That is, it not only gives the history, but it shares a story. Combine that with dramatic IMAX footage and you can't lose." —Diane Bellomo, Baltimore MD

"I just got home from the Museum Center in Cincinnati Ohio. I can't tell you how much I enjoyed your film Rocky Mountain Express. I have family living in the area of Boston Ma and Providence RI. Will it be showing in either one of those cities in the near future?"  
—Patricia Wade, Lebanon, OH

## WHAT AUDIENCES ARE SAYING...

## “CAN’T WAIT TO SEE IT AGAIN!”

“Just saw “Rocky Mountain Express” at the Maryland Science Center and I have to say, it was **simply spectacular!**” —Christopher Kovaks, on Facebook

“Saw this **wonderful movie** on the weekend at Ontario Science Centre, Toronto. Really enjoyed it...thank you!” —Jane Corbeil, on Facebook

“Congratulations on an exciting IMAX movie. I saw it this afternoon at the IMAX in the Museum of Civilization in Ottawa / Gatineau. **I have not stopped talking about it to all and anyone who will listen.** Thank you for making such an imaginative and amazing IMAX movie.” —Brian Read, Ottawa, ON

“Visited this movie twice (so far) at the Ontario Science Centre Omnimax theatre. **Fantastic!! Will be back with more people to see it again.**” —Neil Macklem, on Facebook

“I just wanted to say how much my family enjoyed “Rocky Mountain Express”! We saw it Saturday morning at the Ontario Science Centre, and **can’t wait to see it again!**” —Kevin Bell, Toronto, ON

The film was artistic, beautiful and inspiring, truly a work of genius. My wife spent about 15 minutes in tears, as she was so touched by it’s beauty. The audience reaction was tremendous. Congratulations on this **marvelous achievement!** —Ralph Hansen, Chicago, IL

“Thank you so much for persevering to make this movie. **It is spectacular.** If DC isn’t in the works, I’ll be taking my family (who didn’t go with me to Cincy) up to Baltimore to see it.” —Robin Richard, Alexandria, VA

“I just wanted to compliment your company on what a fine job you did with Rocky Mountain Express. Yesterday, I took my father for the first time and my son for his second. **My father was ranting and raving for the rest of the day** about the wonderful filming of the scenery, the interesting views of the locomotive, and the excellent job of using the footage of the hudson along the line to tell the story of how the Canadian Pacific was built. We definitely intend to see it on our local Omnimax again, and we’ll look for a DVD in the future. It is definitely **the best Omnimax movie we’ve ever seen. Simply outstanding!**” —Michael York, Cincinnati

“**Deserves an Oscar!! VERY GOOD!!!!**” —Ryan Chugg, on Facebook

“This was **the best Omnimax movie I have ever seen!**” —Calvin Korab, on Facebook

“**I loved it! What a beautifully made film! I plan to see it again.**” —Lynn Corbett, Pittsburgh, PA

“**What a fantastic production!**” —Jack Demnyan, on Facebook

## WHAT THE MEDIA ARE SAYING... “AMAZING...SPECTACULAR...BREATH TAKING...AWESOME!”

“This is **awesome!** You’re going to want to **take the whole family.**”

—Dina Pugliese,  
City TV, Breakfast Television, Toronto

IMAX film features **spectacular scenery, thrilling sequences...** \* \* \* **1/2** [Three-and a-half stars]

—Jay Stone,  
The Ottawa Citizen / Postmedia News

“Rocky Mountain Express is not just a glorious, flag-waving account of how a young nation completed a sea-to-seaway rail line, driving the last spike at Craigellachie, B.C., in 1885. It’s also a story of mudslides and avalanches, balky steam engines that blew their boilers on steep grades, and miles of track that at one point advanced by just five feet per day, at a cost of six lives per mile.” \* \* \* [3-stars]

—Chris Knight, National Post

...**an amazing IMAX film**...incredible story of how Canada’s first transcontinental railway was laid. Veteran director Stephen Low uses incredible IMAX aerial photography and breathtaking vistas to put the audience into the landscape. Through archival photos and beautifully animated 3D maps you get a sense of how difficult it was to lay each mile of track. If you enjoy landscape photography as I do then you will absolutely

love this film. ...The sound design in the film is also first rate. How can you go wrong with a steam locomotive on an IMAX screen? I often felt like I was sitting beside the tracks when the train whisked by onscreen.

—www.bombippy.com

With just **the right blend of excitement, history and the beautifully filmed Canadian landscape**, this film **will appeal to both parents and children alike.**

—<http://www.kidsaroundcanada.com/blog/2011/10/rocky-mountain-express-review/>

“In a new IMAX film, viewers will feel like they are flying over, or riding on, a train that cuts through rugged, steep mountains in one of the planet’s most breathtaking spots...‘**It was breathtaking; it was awesome,**’ says

Beth O’Donnell, 59, of Ruff Creek, Greene County, who attended a preview of the movie with her husband, Mike. ‘You felt like you were right on (the train).’”

—Kellie B. Gormly, Pittsburgh Tribune Review

A restored steam engine roars through cliffs and valleys in “Rocky Mountain Express...” This a film primarily about images and sounds, and the footage captured by Low—just the sheer theatricality of the train itself--is indeed **stunning**. An engine chugs alongside a river, a heavy plume of steam drifting back, and the picture is mirrored perfectly in the watery reflection just below. It’s

a gorgeous, poetic tableaux. Later, the train pulls into a station, steam shooting from valves, huffing like a horse expelling air through it’s nostrils. Low also includes some terrific archival photos, including one of a steam engine caught in mounds of snow after an avalanche, which remains a problem for sections of the route.

—Nina Metz, Chicago Tribune

“...**the film does an amazing job** of making you realize just how hard a task it must have been to construct a railway line through the Rockies. Is anyone from out west? If so, you know just how huge the mountains are, and seeing those mountains on an IMAX screen was **jaw dropping.**”

—Sarah Sorensen, owlblog@owlkids.com

“Rocky Mountain Express is **totally awesome**. The film takes you on a magical journey with the Canadian Pacific Railway’s #2816 over the Canadian Rockies. Not only do you get great shots of 2816, but the scenery across Canada is breath taking. The route is Canada’s first transcontinental railways. **This film is a must-see** for all railroad enthusiasts and everyone who wants to experience the beauty and majesty of God’s creation.”

—Father Jay Finelli, [www.steaminpriest.com](http://www.steaminpriest.com)