

LAYOUT COMPETITION

We are looking for the best garden railroad in 2020

Every garden railroad is the result of an unbelievable amount of passion, enthusiasm, ideas and leisure time. Therefore, it would be a shame not to share this investment of time and creativity with other *Depesche* readers.

Following on from 2016 and 2018, the editorial staff at *Depesche* is once again on the hunt for the best garden railroad. Surprise us with your garden railroad. Whether you have constructed a US-themed layout with trestle bridges, a rocky mountain route

with viaducts, a garden landscape with waterfalls or have lovingly integrated an oval of track into your garden – we welcome all variants of the garden railroad.

The competition is open to anyone with either an outdoor or an indoor layout and no matter if it is in Europe, the US or elsewhere. What counts is the overall impression of the layout, which will be judged by an expert jury. Enter the competition – it's well worth it. The closing date for entries is Friday, July 31, 2020.

JOIN IN – HERE'S HOW TO ENTER

Complete the questionnaire: At www.lgb.de, you will find a questionnaire about your layout, which we would like you to complete. If you do not have Internet access, you can also write to the address below and request the questionnaire.

Take photos: In your application, please include four photographs that provide both an overview of your layout as well as details of its design.

Create a track plan sketch: Please enclose a track plan sketch with your application, as this provides the jury with an overall impression of your layout.

Address: Please forward the completed questionnaire, photos and track planning sketch by e-mail to: LGB-Depesche@3g-media.de or send them by mail to: LGB *Depesche*, c/o Gebr. Märklin & Cie. GmbH, Stuttgarter Strasse 55–57, 73033 Göppingen, Germany

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Winning railroad: A prize-winning layout from 2018, built by Reinhard Melz.

THE FOLLOWING PRIZES ARE UP FOR GRABS



1st prize: Electric locomotive (item 20301)

The three prizes will be awarded separately in the two competition categories of indoor and outdoor layouts.



2nd prize: Baggage car (item 34554)



3rd prize: Boxcar (item 48675)



Application documents for the competition “The best garden railroad 2020”.

You can complete this PDF directly on your screen and return it to us by e-mail.

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General information about the layout

My layout is

a garden layout (outdoor) an indoor layout

a) Size of layout (square yards/m²):

b) Track length (feet):

c) Construction time from to

d) Track layout (brief description)

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f) Name: If the layout has a name, what is it?

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g) Control Loco control: digital analogLayout control: digital analog

Which components do you use?

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2. Layout design

2a) Layout theme (e.g. Switzerland, Western USA, German narrow-gauge railway, etc.)

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2b) Train stations Passenger stations: Freight stations: Staging yards:

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2c) Bridges, tunnels, viaducts:

Bridges (number/length of longest bridge)

Tunnels (number/length of longest tunnel)

Viaducts (number/length of longest viaduct)

Special features of bridges/tunnels/viaducts:

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2d) Buildings (total number):

2e) Special buildings (e.g. windmill, sawmill, cable car, turntable, etc.)

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3) Special layout details e.g. ingenious track layout, local motifs, stream, pond, unusual plants, unique position/location, etc.

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4) Personal details

Name:

Tel.:

Street/house number:

Town/city with ZIP code:

Country:

E-mail:

Age:

LGB enthusiast since:

PLEASE ENCLOSE A TRACK PLAN DIAGRAM AND AT LEAST FIVE PHOTOS OF THE LAYOUT. Send the completed questionnaire and the documents by e-mail or mail to the addresses below. Thank you and good luck! The closing date for entries is July 31, 2020! The winners will be published, and their layouts featured in issue 4/20 of LGB Depesche.

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