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New seats have been added to the Metro Experience mobile theater to accommodate more viewers.



'Metro Experience' Is Going to the LA County Fair

By ELIZABETH CRAIGG

(Aug. 31, 2004) Metro will have a major presence at the LA County Fair, Sept. 10-26 in Pomona.

The "Metro Experience" mobile theater expects to host as many as 50,000 school kids, teachers and parents during the Fair's 17-day run.

"Metro Experience" has been updated to accommodate more people in order to double the number of viewers. The 3-D show will last 3 minutes instead of 5 ½ minutes, and the number of seats has been increased from 16 to 24.

"Taking 'Metro Experience' to the fair is an effort to get the message out about safety around trains," says Senior Community Relations Officer Barbara Burns, who is in charge of Metro's rail safety program.

In an agreement with the Fair, rail safety information was sent to 5,000 teachers and reached 80,000 students. "Metro Experience" will be located in the Pirate's Cove area, near the Blue Gate entrance on White Ave.

'Split-second decision'

"Safety is so important," says Burns, "It is the split-second decision people make when they are put in a situation that will determine their behavior. We're trying to make sure they make the right choice."

The 'Metro Experience' will be at the Long Beach Marathon in November.

It has visited such venues as the LA Zoo, Pasadena Summer Feast, Beacon Street Festival in San Pedro and Tweetie Street Festival.

The LA County Fair will be open from 10 a.m. to midnight Friday and Saturday, and from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday through Thursday.

Admissions prices for ages 13 and up are \$10 weekdays and \$14 weekends; seniors 60-plus are \$8 weekdays and \$10 weekends; ages 6-12 are \$7 weekends and \$6 weekdays; 5 and under are free.

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