

# LIGHTS, CAMERA, LIONEL TRAINS!

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**ROGER CARP** has been fascinated by Lionel trains and the people who created them since he received a small steam engine and some freight cars as a youngster in 1956. His interest directed him, after earning a Ph.D. in American history at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, to *Classic Toy Trains* magazine, where he has served for 20 years as senior editor.

Roger has written or edited more than 20 books and special-interest publications about Lionel—its trains and accessories, its leaders and workers, its showrooms and displays, and its legacy. Among them are *The World's Greatest Toy Train Maker* (1998), *Classic Lionel Display Layouts You Can Build* (2000),

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