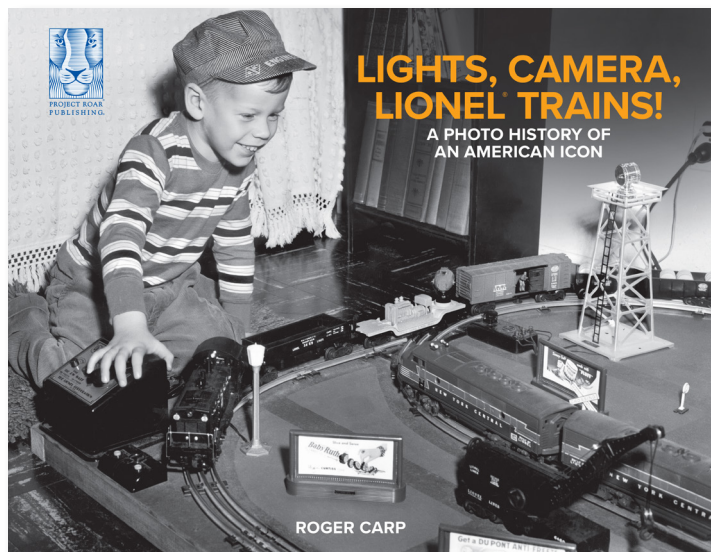


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A PHOTO HISTORY OF AN AMERICAN ICON

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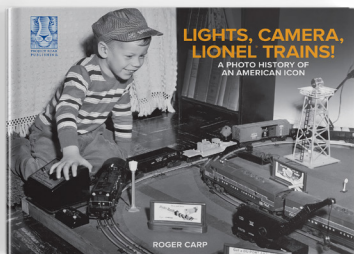


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A captivating visual journey into how Lionel trains shaped Americana, family traditions, and pop culture, celebrated by Hollywood legends.



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About The Book

100 NEW PHOTO-ESSAYS reveal how Lionel electric trains became an American cultural and social icon of the 20th century. Those innovative and exciting toys defined what it meant to be a happy and fulfilled child while enabling celebrities in sports, show business, and politics to stay in touch with the innocence of their past. Full-color and black-and-white photographs from archives and private collections tell the story of how one dynamic toy maker arose to influence life in the United States. You're sure to be entertained and informed by what Lionel historian Roger Carp writes about the dozens of rare and delightful pictures. And those images will nurture memories of the electric trains you may have played with or seen in action on television and in motion pictures.

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— Bill Schmeelk, Lionel Collectors Club of America

"A truly captivating perspective on Lionel's history."

— Robert J. Osterhoff, author of *Inside The Lionel Trains Fun Factory*

About The Author



ROGER CARP 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. A native of Los Angeles, Roger lives near Milwaukee with his wife and Lionel trains.

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