RAILWAY MUSEUM

CORPORATE EVENTS 2026

OUR UNIQUE **VENUE**

In 1975 the National Railway Museum was opened on Leeman Road in York. The huge former steam locomotive depot was an ideal site for a National Railway Museum. Following its conversion and opening as the very first national museum outside London, it was an immediate success with the public.

Today the National Railway Museum is one of Britain's busiest museums and is perhaps the most popular railway museum in the world...

Choose from a variety of inspiring spaces to bring your event vision to life. With a dedicated Event team to help with all stages of your next event.
Reach out to our Corporate Events Team today.
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WHAT **YOUR** SUPPORT **MEANS**

WHY CHOOSE US?

When you support us by hiring the National Railway Museum, you are helping us to break down 'not for me' STEM barriers and making engagement accessible, relevant and exciting.

Together, we can help sustain the drive for STEM skills, fuel talent pipelines and inspire future generations

By supporting the Science Museum, your company will contribute to:

INSPIRING YOUNG TALENT
CREATING NEW GALLERIES AND EXHIBITIONS
POWERING UNIQUE EVENTS
CONNECTING WITH AUDIENCES ONLINE
REACHING BEYOND THE MUSEUM'S WALLS
TEACHING THE TEACHERS

WE STRIVE TO
THINK **BIG**
REVEAL **WONDER**
IGNITE **CURIOSITY**
BE OPEN **FOR ALL**
SHARE **AUTHENTIC STORIES**

STATION **HALL**

DINE AMIDST ROYAL CARRIAGES

Luxurious carriages and historic locomotives stand majestically against the backdrop of a period railway station.

The perfect venue for dinners, receptions, and awards events, one that offers your guests the opportunity to mingle and dine in the evocative atmosphere of a bygone era.

Station Hall has just undergone extensive refurbishment, all to enhance the stunning collection of prestigious royal carriages, including Queen Victoria's private saloon.

PERFECT FOR AWARD CEREMONIES

CAPACITIES

DINNER **450**

RECEPTION **1000**

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GREAT HALL

EXPERIENCE AN EVENING AMONG LEGENDS

Home to many achievements in railway history, including the legendary speed record-breaker, the Mallard. Great Hall is the perfect location to immerse your guests in railway history.

Guests can get up close and personal with the iconic 1938 locomotive, Mallard, as well as many others from the national collection.

The compelling location serves as an ideal venue for drink & canapé receptions.
Need something more? We can do hot bowl food, buffets and seated dinners up to 200.

PERFECT FOR LARGE RECEPTIONS

CAPACITIES

RECEPTION 1000

DINNER 200

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WONDERLAB:
THE BRAMALL GALLERY

OUR NEW INTERACTIVE GALLERY

Wonderlab: The Bramall Gallery explores the how, what and why that underpin the creation of the railways.

This unique gallery is perfect to wow your guests and get them thinking BIG.

An exciting opportunity to use the space for private hire, drinks receptions, canapes, food bowls or buffets.

With the opportunity to add an explainer to your event, for live demonstrations too.

CAPACITIES

200

RECEPTION

PERFECT FOR NETWORKING / TEAM BUILDING

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THE MALLARD **SUITE**

ACCELERATE YOUR IDEAS

Named after the legendary steam locomotive Mallard, the Mallard Suite is perfect for larger conferences.

The space benefits from a dedicated breakout room for catering, networking, or exhibitions. Includes free Wi-Fi, Air conditioning and natural daylight ensure a comfortable conference experience.

The space features a top-of-the-line AV suite, offering a multifunctional video meeting and collaboration setup with high-grade audio and video. Users can wirelessly share screens or connect their laptop via USB or a wireless dongle to run their preferred conferencing platform, seamlessly using the installed cameras, microphones, speakers, and 98″ screen with a single click.

THE MALLARD SUITE CAN ALSO BE COMBINED WITH THE ROCKET ROOM, BECOMING OUR LARGEST SPACE AVAILABLE IN THE CONFERENCE CENTRE.

CAPACITIES

BOARDROOM	24
THEATRE	100
WORKSHOP	80
CLASSROOM	36
CABARET	60
U SHAPE	24
ROUNDS	100
RECEPTION	140

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THE ROCKET **ROOM**

ENGINEERED FOR INTIMATE GATHERINGS.

Named after the world-changing Stephenson's Rocket, the Rocket Room is a bright and flexible space for smaller presentations and meetings.

The room includes an LCD screen and Wi-Fi. Air-conditioning and natural daylight ensure a comfortable meeting experience.

It can be used on its own or in combination with the Mallard Suite for larger conferences.

CAPACITIES

THEATRE **24**

BOARDROOM **20**

PERFECT FOR SMALLER CONFERENCES AND MEETINGS

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MALLARD & ROCKET
COMBINED

For large conferences, the Mallard and Rocket suit combined are perfect.

With a dedicated area for your guests to enjoy breaks away from the desk!

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CAPACITIES

BOARDROOM	30
THEATRE	100
WORKSHOP	100
CLASSROOM	40
CABARET	80
U SHAPE	24
ROUNDS	100
RECEPTION	140

GREAT FOR LARGE MEETINGS & CONFERENCE DAYS

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COUNTESS OF YORK

EXPERIENCE TIMELESS ELEGANCE

CAPACITIES

8

PRIVATE DINING

Built by the London and South Western Railway in 1907, this is a very historic railway carriage, The Countess of York.

We are offering the unique opportunity to host your next private event in the Countess of York.

This historic carriage can be hired in full for up to 24 guests, ideal for celebrations, birthday dinners, or small parties. Alternatively, book the private saloon for up to 8 guests, complete with a screen for meetings.

Looking to book afternoon tea? Bookings are now open here.

PERFECT FOR SMALLER MEETINGS & AFTERNOON TEA

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FOOD & DRINK

We understand how important catering is to every event, and we pride ourselves on offering fantastic quality food and drink.

Restaurant Associate Venues are the sole caterer at the National Railway Museum, providing truly special event catering along with a firm focus on the guest experience.

Catering is a major part of the delegate/guest experience, and the quality and consistency of the catering service at the museum is recognised frequently in client endorsement. RA Venues and the events team carefully adapt our approach to suit ever-changing trends and demands and the needs of our customers.

RA Venues are fully committed to sustainability, and genuine Yorkshire produce is utilised wherever possible to help promote local suppliers.

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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

HOW MUCH WOULD AN EVENT COST?

We offer a variety of event packages. Please get in touch for your personalised quote for your event.

WHAT IS YOUR LARGEST SPACE CAPACITY?

Our largest space is Station Hall, holding 450 banquet or up to 1000 for a reception.

ARE YOUR SPACES ACCESSIBLE?

We are committed to providing an accessible experience for all guests. Facilities include step-free access, accessible toilets and quiet spaces. For detailed info, please see here.

WHAT ABOUT AV AND ENTERTAINMENT?

We are happy to recommend our preferred AV and entertainment suppliers, but you are also welcome to provide your own.

SEE MORE FAQ's HERE

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OUR MASTERPLAN

Our masterplan is the biggest coherent programme of investment, improvement and change to the National Railway Museum since its opening.

The c£100m programme of construction and restoration projects is transforming and modernising both museums, with new buildings, galleries, visitor attractions, outdoor spaces and vital conservation work.

Our Masterplan has already delivered Wonderlab: The Bramall Gallery. In 2025, Station Hall reopened after a major refurbishment and redisplay project, and work will commence on the construction of the museum's new welcome building, gallery and cafe, Central Hall.

GETTING HERE

A new route through the York Central development has now opened. This route replaces a section of Leeman Road, changing the access routes to the National Railway Museum from the south and city centre.

ARRIVING BY TRAIN

The museum is a short walk from York station and the route is outlined on the map.

ARRIVING BY CAR

The Museum is clearly signposted from all approaches to the city. Please contact your event manager about parking fees.

ARRIVING BY FOOT

The new route to the museum from town is walkable and follows the new Hudson Boulevard and Foundry Way as shown in the map.

SEE ALL TRAVEL INFO HERE

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