

# Classic Toy Trains layout submission information

## Outline for story

The following is intended as a guide for writing the main layout story; you don't have to answer them specifically. Story should be 1,000-2,000 words and include no fewer than 8 and no more than 20 pictures, plus one of you for bio. Photos should be 1MB or better in size and uncorrected.

- How you got started in toy trains
- Layout concept (i.e. Open, urban, postwar style, modern with heavy main line, etc.)
- How you built the layout
- Things you learned along the way
- Layout highlights\*
- Why you chose the control system(s) you're using
- What's on the layout (locomotives, rolling stock, structures, etc. and why you chose them)
- What the future holds (is layout finished? Will you build a new one soon?)
- A 1-2 paragraph bio
- A track plan. It need not be elaborate but please include the size of the layout and the room, and show how the layout fits into the space

\*If there's anything unique about your layout that requires more explanation, you can break it out into a sidebar (200-500 words), or another section we can run with the article.

Please let us know if there is video of your layout we can run on Trains.com; we can supply a Dropbox link to get it to us.

Have questions? Contact us at [editor@classictoytrains.com](mailto:editor@classictoytrains.com)

## At a Glance box

Please answer the following questions about your layout for the "At a Glance" box that goes with the track plan that we produce from your information:

Name:

Dimensions:

Track and switches:

Motive power:

Rolling stock:

Controls:

Structures:

Vehicles:

Figures: