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Experience Utah's Industrial Revolution Through Photographs at the Heritage Museum of Layton

Layton- Heritage Museum of Layton presents “**Chugging, Screeching, Rumbling, and Billowing,**” a [Utah Arts & Museums Traveling Exhibition Program](#). This exhibition is named after the sounds of machinery that replaced human and animal power in the late 19th- and early 20th-centuries. From steam shovels scraping for minerals, airplanes buzzing through the skies, to assembly lines humming with mass production, the Industrial Revolution marked the advent of coal, iron, and steam-powered machinery.

This exhibition pays tribute to the Utahns who lived during the Industrial Revolution and contributed to the modern industrial fabric of our state. The exhibition will be on display from February 15th through March 29 at 403 N Wasatch Drive.

Photography, which emerged in the mid-19th century, became a popular medium to document the evolving industrial world. Photographers captured the scale and grandeur of emerging technologies juxtaposed against their transformative effect on people.

In 1862, commercial mining began in Utah. It has since played a significant role in our history and economy, making Utah one of the largest national producers of gold, silver, copper, and other minerals, including petroleum. When the transcontinental railroad came to Utah in 1896, it connected these resources to markets across the United States, attracting immigrant labor to Utah. The Industrial Revolution helped lower costs for goods while connecting communities of new cultures and traditions.

“Chugging, Screeching, Rumbling, and Billowing” includes engineering drawings and black-and-white photographs that illustrate how machinery revolutionized transportation, mining, industry, infrastructure, and agriculture while connecting communities in Utah.

This exhibition will be located at the Heritage Museum of Layton, 403 N. Wasatch Drive, Layton, UT from Feb. 15 2025 to March 29, 2025. The Heritage Museum of Layton is open Monday-Thursday from 11 am-6 pm, Friday from 11 am-5 pm, and Saturdays 1 pm-5 pm. For more information on viewing the exhibition, please call 801-336-3930 or go to <https://www.laytoncity.org/LC/HeritageMuseum>.

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About Utah Division of Arts & Museums Traveling Exhibition Program

[Utah Arts & Museums Traveling Exhibition Program](#) is a statewide outreach program that provides schools, museums, libraries, and community galleries with the opportunity to bring curated exhibitions to their communities. This program is supported in part by a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts. For more information on participating in the program, please contact Fletcher Booth at fbooth@utah.gov or 801-824-9177. For media inquiries, please contact Ellen Weist at eweist@utah.gov or 503-490-4806.

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