

Tom

Dave

RUSSELL ALVIN

with Special Guests **STEVE YOUNG** and **THAD BECKMAN**



THE Kings of California TRAIN

**LOS ANGELES TO PORTLAND AND RETURN BY PRIVATE RAILROAD CAR
APRIL 4-9, 2010**

Join **Roots on the Rails** for an unforgettable musical journey on board vintage private railroad cars from Los Angeles to Portland and return, April 4-9, 2010. Be one of just 47 participants on this journey the length of California and into Oregon... our tracks hugging the ocean for over 100 miles, over brawny hills, through wide, flat fields and high, lonely plains; past towering Mount Shasta and over the stunning Cascade Range on one of the most scenically spectacular rail routes on earth!

Your hosts are the Golden State's own **Tom Russell**, whose new *Blood & Candlesmoke* has been hailed as the finest recording of his career and **Dave Alvin**, towering figure in American music whose 1994 album gives this trip its name. Joining them are the magnificent **Steve Young**, writer of such classics as "Seven Bridges Road" and "Lonesome Orn'ry and Mean" and guitar wizard **Thad Beckman**.

There will be a starting and end night at a LA hotel, then once on board, plenty of music, laughter and camaraderie. Excellent, freshly-prepared meals, our own dome car with glass-enclosed 360 degree views and lovingly restored sleeping cars from the golden age of streamliners. There's room for informal music and jamming starting early and going all day long. Patrons are free to board en route at Santa Barbara, San Luis Obispo, Salinas, San Jose and Oakland, where we add our Performance Car, with us the rest of the trip. Get ready for a non-stop musical adventure with Thad and Steve, Tom and Dave... the Kings of California!

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE (Subject to Change):

- Sunday, 4 April** Hotel check-in in afternoon. Shuttle bus to/from evening concert McCabe's.
- Monday, 5 April** Depart Los Angeles 10:15 AM, lunch on board, afternoon hands-on guitar workshop with Thad Beckman in front lounge, afternoon unplugged jam, dinner on board, evening unplugged "Patron Performer" mini-concerts in front lounge. 11pm - In-the-round concert with Tom Russell, Dave Alvin and Steve Young in Performance Car.
- Tuesday, 6 April** Breakfast and lunch on board, nature program, guitar workshop with Thad & Steve, Open Mic in Performance Car. Arrive Portland in afternoon. Train serves as our hotel for the night (patrons wishing to stay at a nearby hotel are welcome to do so; we will provide recommendations). Dinner on own. Evening concert. Late-night hang out on board.
- Wednesday, 7 April** Continental breakfast available on board; morning free; lunch on own. Depart Portland 2:25 PM. Afternoon workshop, Open Mic, dinner on board, evening Concert in Performance Car.
- Thursday, 8 April** Breakfast, lunch, dinner on board, nature program, Open Mic/Workshop, Tom Russell & Dave Alvin "Kings of California" concert finale. Arrival in Los Angeles scheduled for 9:00 PM - shared room provided at nearby hotel; late-night hangout.
- Friday, 9 April** Passengers depart for home.

We've been offering our trips since 2003 and we have hundreds of satisfied patrons who return to ride with us again and again. Isn't it time you joined us? Got questions? E-mail Sarah at Roots on the Rails (trains@sover.net) call 866-484-3669 (toll free in US & Canada) or 802-258-1397.

Price \$2,879.00 per person. Price includes semi-private berth accommodations (upper or lower), all train activities, meal and beverage service including beer/wine enroute, shower in each car, two nights shared hotel room in Los Angeles (April 4 and 8. Single supplement for private room in LA, \$75/night additional), concerts in Los Angeles and Portland. Private, enclosed room, sleeping car space for one or two provides additional privacy, storage space and one's own sink/toilet facilities; \$439 per person additional. Gratuities and transfers not included. \$300 per person non-refundable deposit to hold space. Payment plans happily accommodated. 2% discount for all-at-once pre-payment (until 12/31/09).

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