

## YOUR CHANCE FOR THE FIRST RIDE

Metro Rail is getting ready to put its newly rebuilt rail cars into service. You can be on the very first trip. New interiors, new lighting, a host of new safety features and more, we've made \$1.5 million in improvements.

The event is scheduled for the first week of November. The date maybe moved later. Sign up for your chance today, with the form attached, by picking one up at the Metropolitan Transportation Center (the Bus Station) in downtown Buffalo or entering online at [nfta.com/metro](http://nfta.com/metro). Ten winners can each bring up to 10 friends, plus the 10 winners will receive a Metro goodies pack. The ride will originate at University Station, travel to Theatre Station and then return.

## SIGN UP TO WIN

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

No purchase necessary.

Winners will be contacted by phone. You do not need to be present to win.

Mail Entry to:

NFTA-Metro

Rail Car Contest

181 Ellicott Street

Buffalo, New York 14203

Attn: Marketing/5th floor

Entries close and must be postmarked by October 17, 2011.

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**When you're on the phone, please keep it down.**

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## FALL 2011 METRO SERVICE CHANGES

Fall schedules take effect Sunday, September 4. There are minor time changes to routes throughout the region, each aimed at making Metro more efficient. Please consult your individual route timetables or visit [nfta.com](http://nfta.com) for complete and up-to-date information.

## SCHOOL'S IN SESSION



Just a reminder – classes start, at some schools, right now. Most resume the second week of September. Metro Bus and Rail serves students across Buffalo, utilizing regular routes. In addition, Metro operates many special routes designed around school hours. By taking care of students, they will help make sure Metro remains your best choice for getting around the region.

## TAKE THE TROLLEY THROUGH CHRISTMAS

Metro has extended service for the Route 55T trolley bus. It will now run through the end of the year, making it available to visitors (and residents, of course) through the holiday season. The 55T serves downtown Niagara Falls, stopping at hotels, restaurants and popular attractions.

Trolley Day Passes are available at participating hotel registration desks. They are free for many hotel guests. The service is open to everyone. Standard fares apply. Schedules and routing is available at [nfta.com/metro](http://nfta.com/metro).

## NIGHT TIME IS THE RIGHT TIME FOR ROUTE 20E

From Canisius to Medaille to Buffalo State to downtown and back again, the 20E Late Night Express runs from 10 p.m. to 4:30 a.m. Thursday and Saturday nights, while school is in session. If your college or university participates in the Unlimited Access Program, all you need is your school ID. It's only \$1.75 otherwise. (Does



not run during Thanksgiving weekend, Christmas and spring breaks.) If you're heading out to Elmwood Ave., Chippewa St., Allen St. - leave the driving to us. Visit [nfta.com/metro](http://nfta.com/metro) for more information.

## A NEW HOLIDAY MARKET

Metro's 55T

trolley bus is a great way to visit this year's first ever Niagara Holiday Market. Old Falls Street will host the event for 36 days, in the heart of Niagara Falls. Santa's Workshop, skating, wine tasting, and more will commence with a tree-lighting ceremony right after Thanksgiving. The market will also be served by Metro Bus Routes 40, 55 and 60.

## LASALLE PARK & RIDE

Only three minutes from University Station, with over 700 free parking spots, LaSalle Station Park & Ride is the ideal choice for area commuters or anyone heading downtown for a game or a show. LaSalle is safe, convenient and serves both Metro Rail and Metro Bus Route 8 Main.



## GET THERE FASTER WITH METRO'S EXPRESS SERVICES

Express bus and MetroLink Express services offer the same safe, convenient, economical transportation you'll find on all Metro routes. The only difference is the time it takes. Express services make fewer stops so they will get you where you need to be faster. Metro runs 20 express routes daily, covering the region. Visit [www.nfta.com](http://www.nfta.com) for listings under Express and MetroLink. Find a route that's right for you.



## REMEMBER . . .

Main St. circa. 1907. Electric trolleys begin to share the streets with a noisy new-comer: the car.

