



ANNOUNCING THE NEW YORK PUBLIC TRANSIT ASSOCIATION 2017 BUS and MAINTENANCE ROADEO

Hosted by: New York Public Transit Association
Host property: UCAT – Ulster County Area Transit
Date: Saturday, October 28, 2017

Plans are underway for the 2017 Bus Roadeo. The site for the event is Tech City, Enterprise Dr. Kingston, NY. The hotel for the event is the Best Western Plus, 503 Washington Ave, Kingston, NY 12401.

As you know, the Bus Roadeo is a great opportunity to provide some well-deserved bus operator recognition while promoting safety and professionalism. If you are new to this event, I will briefly fill you in. Transit Systems throughout New York State send the best bus operators to compete in this event. They are considered the “Best of the Best”. The competing bus operators drive a bus through a test course marked with traffic cones that simulate various situations encountered on the road. Competing bus operators are expected to meet Bus Roadeo qualifications by maintaining good attendance and a safe driving record.

The New York Public Transit Association welcomes your transit system to participate in the Bus Roadeo. If your transit system has not yet participated in a Bus Roadeo, and you are interested in learning more about the event, please don't hesitate to contact me for more information. I can be reached at 845-340-3335.

The schedule of events is listed below:

Friday, October 27, 2017

Registration.....	12:00 – 3:00 pm
Bus Operator Meeting.....	3:00 – 4:00 pm
Committee and Judges Meeting.....	4:00 – 5:00 pm
Bus to the Waterfront (Restaurants and Pubs)	5:30 – 10:00pm

Saturday, October 28, 2017

Shuttle to Tech City.....	6:45 am
Registration.....	7:00 am at Tech City
Practice.....	7:00 – 11:00 am
Opening ceremony.....	11:00 – 11:15 am
Lunch begins.....	11:15 am
Competition begins.....	12:00 noon
Competition ends approx.....	3:00 pm
Cocktail Hour.....	6:00 – 7:00 pm
Awards and Dinner.....	7:00 – 10:00 pm

Please plan to have the registration form back by Wednesday, Sept 22, 2017. Mail to: *Carol Hargrove NYPTA 2017 Bus Roadeo, One Danny Circle, Kingston, New York 12401*. This will allow time to have the plaques engraved and the programs printed. The important information we will need to have are the number of people that will be attending from your transit system and their dinner choices. We will also need the bus operator information along with the bus operator profile sheet and sweatshirt size.

If there are individuals from your transit system who are coming and would like to help out and judge for the event, please include this information on the registration form.

Also enclosed is a registration packet with more detailed information about the Bus Roadeo.

On behalf of the New York State Public Transit Association Bus Roadeo Committee, we are looking forward to a great event and a good time. Among the people attending, other than the competing bus operators are managers and supervisors from the participating properties. Also invited are representatives from the New York State Department of Transportation, New York Public Transportation Safety Board, New York Department of Motor Vehicles and the Federal Transit Administration. We have received great support from all of the above with attendance and participation as judges in the Bus Roadeo each year. It is also an opportunity for bus operators from several transit systems to get together for friendly competition and fun conversation.

We hope to see you there.

Sincerely,



Carol Hargrove, Chairperson
John Akus, Co-Chair

