

# **ALLIANCE FOR RELIABLE TRANSPORT**

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## **Transit Alliance Sheds Light on Light Rail**

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Miami Beach, June 11, 2003 – On June 25, 2003, 6:30 pm, in the Community Room of Mirador-North Tower, 1200 West Avenue, Miami Beach, the Alliance for Reliable Transport (A.R.T.) presents “When Miami Beach Had A Railway/Light Rail Today,” a two-part presentation on Miami Beach’s historic streetcars of the 1920s and 30s and the sort of contemporary light rail systems currently proposed for Miami Beach.

The evening starts off with “When Miami Beach Had A Railway” a vivid overview of the old Miami Beach Railway Company, by foremost Miami-Dade County Railway Historian, Edward Ridolph, Jr. Mr. Ridolph’s presentation includes eye-opening color slide images of the old streetcars, as well as film footage of the streetcars in action on the streets of old Miami Beach.

Following this journey into the past, A.R.T. presents “Light Rail Today,” a look at the contemporary, state-of-the-art, light rail systems constructed around the world in the last 20 years. “Light Rail Today,” an information-packed and visually captivating PowerPoint presentation, makes the case for why Light Rail is right for Miami Beach today.



The Alliance for Reliable Transport (ART) was formed by Miami Beach residents, in cooperation with local businesspersons and community groups, who share a desire to improve transportation to and on Miami Beach. We support a return of streetcar service to the city, providing a reliable, clean and attractive transit alternative that addresses growing traffic congestion and meets the needs of local residents, commuters and visitors alike.

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