

1. Nicholas Kalis' LIRR Float Sign



This is an HO scale model one of the four (4) float bridges at the then Long Island City Float Yard in Queens. Only one of the prototype float bridges remains today. The Long Island Rail Road (LIRR) used these float bridges to load freight cars on car floats which were moved by a fleet of tugboats owned by the LIRR. The yard was on the shore of the East River opposite from Manhattan. The float bridge model was built by a friend, Tony Fabrizi, for my Lower Montauk Branch-LIRR layout which was on the cover of RMC in 2007. (A second float had the word "Island" on it but Nick didn't have room to model the companion.) **Nicholas Kalis**