

Lunar New Year Fireworks Display to be held again after four-year hiatus (with photos)

After a four-year hiatus, the 2024 Lunar New Year Fireworks Display will be held at 8pm on February 11, the second day of the Lunar New Year, over Victoria Harbour to celebrate the festive season with citizens.

The fireworks display is co-ordinated by the Culture, Sports and Tourism Bureau, sponsored by the Hong Kong Celebrations Association and supported by the Hong Kong Youth Patriotic Education Foundation.

The theme for this year's fireworks display is "All trades thrive in the Dragon's Year, China stands strong in the prosperous era". A total of 23 888 pyrotechnic shells will be fired from three barges in the 23-minute extravaganza divided into eight scenes.

Each of the eight scenes of fireworks has its own characteristics. The opening scene, entitled "The Year of the Dragon", will start off with a magnificent showcase of silver lightning and thunder to usher in the New Year. The second scene features the lucky number "8" in different forms and colours that symbolise wealth and abundance. "Five-coloured Cosmic Balls", introduced for the first time, signify the boundless sky and earth, wishing citizens a bright future with endless possibilities. In the sixth scene, fireworks of "Smiling Faces" and "Double Red Hearts" will be launched in the hope that citizens will find beauty in life with a positive, enthusiastic attitude. The final scene "Harvest Drums" will bring the event to its climax as fireworks of "Mega-sized Brocade Crowns" will be discharged intensively to wish Hong Kong prosperity and peace in the year to come.

The display can be seen from many vantage points on both sides of the harbour including Tsim Sha Tsui, Mid-Levels, Central, Wan Chai, Causeway Bay and Hung Hom Bypass. Members of the public are advised to note that some parts of the green lawns, passageways and viewing platforms of Tamar Park and the Central and Western District Promenade (Central Section) have been temporarily closed in preparation for the large-scale outdoor art installation exhibition "teamLab: Continuous" to be launched in March. They may consider proceeding to other places as far as practicable to avoid overcrowding or not being able to enter the venue due to limited space.

To maximise enjoyment of the fireworks display, viewers are advised to tune in to Radio Television Hong Kong Radio 4 (FM 97.6 to 98.9) via mobile phones or other devices for synchronised music during the show.

Members of the public are urged to keep the environment clean, show respect for public property, and pay attention to personal safety in crowded places.

