

Newyear Fireworks sydney 2009

Sydney fireworks have been at the centre of some of Sydney's proudest moments, including the Bicentennial celebrations, the opening of the 2000 Olympics and this year's World Youth Day celebrations. But it's on December 31 when our fireworks grab world attention.

This year's theme is the brainchild of creative director Rhoda Roberts, who co-created the Awakening segment of the 2000 Olympic opening ceremony. Several new fireworks and sequences will be used this time. The most spectacular of these will include a red star simultaneously exploding inside a blue ring, fireworks that shoot horizontally and new "sun-pod" effects. Some important information are below:

- The fireworks display has centred on the Harbour Bridge since 1996 and,
- 100,000 individual fireworks
- 5000 kilograms of fire works
- fired from 112 points
- costing \$5 million
- according to Sydney City Council, it gives local tourism a \$40 million boost.
- 60 kilometres of wiring
- estimated 1.5 million people crowding the shores of Sydney Harbour – more than the audiences for New Year's Eve fireworks in London, Berlin or New York
- About 1 1/2 million people are expected to vie for a spot to watch the New Year's Eve fireworks centred over the Harbour Bridge. The best free vantage points will be full from mid-afternoon, so taking chairs is recommended.
- The 9pm fireworks display lasts eight minutes and is family friendly, accompanied by children's movie themes and pop songs. The midnight display, which lasts 12 minutes, is more dramatic, with fireworks launched from surrounding buildings and barges and the unveiling of the "bridge effect".
- Top three spots and capacity:
 1. Opera House capacity 8000,
 2. Mrs Macquaries Point 22,000 and
 3. Bradfield Park 5000.

For more spots, capacity and site map [click here](#)