

# CITY OF SYDNEY

## New Year's Eve Event Guide

#SydNYE

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**A warm welcome to locals and visitors from across the world to celebrate Sydney New Year's Eve together again.**

After the difficulties of the last few years, it's fantastic we can enjoy our spectacular foreshore and support local businesses by heading out to a New Year's Eve event.

Find a vantage point that's right for you. There's a mix of free and ticketed places to view the fireworks. You can get the details on Sydney New Year's Eve events and what's happening throughout the city at [sydneynewyeartheseve.com](https://sydneynewyeartheseve.com)

This guide has information to help you plan your night. Sydney New Year's Eve is accessible and inclusive, but with many people expected to line the harbour foreshore, it pays to plan – take public transport if you can.

Happy New Year's Eve!

**Clover Moore**

**Lord Mayor of Sydney**

## **Tips for a safe and memorable night**

### **Follow the signs and listen for announcements.**

Look for our event volunteers. They can help you with information about tickets, vantage points, toilets, transport, food and drink, alcohol restrictions and accessible services. Alcohol is not permitted at some vantage points. Visit [sydneynewyarseve.com/vantage-points](https://sydneynewyarseve.com/vantage-points) for more information.

Tune in to KIIS 1065 for the 9pm Calling Country and midnight fireworks soundtracks.

Phone 000 in case of emergency.

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# **Free vantage point locations**

## **1 East Circular Quay**

- Water station / drinking water available
- Alcohol prohibited
- Mobility access

## **2 Dawes Point (Ta-Ra) Park**

George Street, The Rocks

- Water station / drinking water available
- Alcohol prohibited

## **3 Observatory Hill**

Upper Fort Street, Sydney

- Ticket required
- Water station / drinking water available
- Alcohol prohibited
- Mobility access

## **4 The Rocks**

George Street, The Rocks

- Water station / drinking water available
- Alcohol prohibited
- Mobility access

## **5 Sydney Opera House**

Macquarie Street, Sydney

- Water station / drinking water available
- Alcohol for sale
- Mobility access

## **6 Embarkation Park**

Victoria Street, Potts Point

- Ticket required
- Water station / drinking water available
- Alcohol prohibited
- Mobility access

## **7 Darling Harbour**

- Water station / drinking water available
- Alcohol prohibited
- Mobility access

## **8 Pyrmont Bay Park**

Pirrama Road, Pyrmont

- Alcohol prohibited
- Mobility access

## **9 Pirrama Park**

Pirrama Road, Pyrmont

- Ticket required
- Water station / drinking water available
- Mobility access

## **10 Bradfield Park & Mary Booth Reserve**

Fitzroy Street, Milsons Point

- Ticket required
- Water station / drinking water available
- Alcohol prohibited
- Mobility access



## **11 Blues Point**

Blues Point Road, McMahons Point

- Ticket required
- Water station / drinking water available
- Alcohol prohibited
- Mobility access

## **Program of events**

### **7:30pm Smoking Ceremony**

A sacred Smoking Ceremony on the Harbour conducted by Tribal Warrior. The Smoking Ceremony is a ritual of purification and unity, cleansing the space for the new year.

### **8:30pm Pylon projections and lighting effects**

Projections enliven the Sydney Harbour Bridge pylons throughout the night. Lighting effects on the eastern side dazzle the harbour foreshore.

### **8:57pm Welcome to Country**

Metropolitan Local Aboriginal Land Council welcome visitors to Gadigal Country.

## **9pm Calling Country fireworks**

Celebrate the local histories and contemporary experiences of Indigenous storytellers through art, song, sound, and dance. As a way of Calling Country, the selection of artists brings connections between the land, water and sky to reflect on the past, and grow stronger into the future.

## **9:15pm Sydney Harbour Lights**

Boats adorned with lights create a visual spectacle as they glide across the harbour. Produced by the Commercial Vessels Association.

## **11pm Sydney welcomes WorldPride 2023**

A spectacular pylon projection and lighting display celebrating our LGBTIQ+ communities.

## **Midnight Fireworks display**

Tune in to the soundtrack on KIIS 1065

## Getting to and from the event

There will be major road closures and parking restrictions on New Year's Eve, so leave your car at home. With thousands of extra services on the night, public transport is your best option.

You can use an Opal card, American Express, Mastercard, Visa card or linked device to travel on all public transport services in Sydney.

Transport services will be busy and the way you arrive may be different to how you leave. Allow extra time and consider travelling home after 1am to avoid the crowds. Be prepared to walk longer distances.

Some major roads will be closed to vehicles and people walking.

Visit [sydneynewyearth.com/transport](https://sydneynewyearth.com/transport) to plan your trip.

Visit [sydneynewyearth.com/road-closures](https://sydneynewyearth.com/road-closures) for more information.

**TRAINS:** City stations have different entry and exit points

**BUSES:** Temporary bus stops and interchanges in place throughout the city centre

**FERRIES:** No ferries during the fireworks and some routes stop running from early afternoon

**LIGHTRAIL:** Timetable changes with some stops closed from mid-afternoon

## **Keep our city sparkling – leave nothing to waste**

If you're packing your own food, use reusable containers and take your rubbish with you. Please recycle any packaging.

We encourage you to bring your own water bottles. There are water stations available to top up at many vantage points.

Visit [sydneynewyearthseve.com/vantage-points](https://sydneynewyearthseve.com/vantage-points) for more information.

## **Make a night out of it. Support local businesses this NYE**

Coming to watch the fireworks? Why not make a night of it and support local businesses with some pre-show entertainment, drinks or a meal.

Visit [sydneynewyearthseve.com/events](https://sydneynewyearthseve.com/events) for more information.

## **Find new events every day**

Search: [whatson.sydney](https://whatson.sydney)

[sydneynewyearthseve.com](https://sydneynewyearthseve.com)

## One night, many ways to celebrate.

If you're heading to the harbour, plan your night using the vantage point map. Visit [whatson.sydney](https://whatson.sydney) to buy tickets to harbour events.

- **Watch ABC TV:** Broadcast starts at 8:30pm live from Sydney Harbour
- **Stream ABC iview:** Fireworks will be streamed on [sydneynewyearthseve.com](https://sydneynewyearthseve.com) and ABC iview
- **Listen KIIS 1065:** Exclusive soundtrack at 9pm and midnight

## Access for people with disability

Sydney New Year's Eve is an accessible and inclusive event. Volunteers and event teams are available to provide assistance. For information on accessible viewing areas, transport options, live audio description and alternative format event guides, visit [sydneynewyearthseve.com/accessibility](https://sydneynewyearthseve.com/accessibility).

## **Sydney New Year's Eve Accessibility Officer**

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