



Spoiler Sheet

The Lord Mayor's Christmas Carols is a bright, loud and colourful show which features over 290 performers in a celebration of the festive season. Some songs have some special moments that contain loud sudden noises, flashing lights, and bright glittery moments in the sky and stage.

Here's a step-by-step guide to the show so you know what to expect.



Welcome

This is a formal welcome to country conducted by Yagara elders. Our cultural consultant Gaja Kerry Charlton says “The Welcome to Country has spiritual meaning. It shows who we are as First Peoples and that we are “still here”. The traditional aspects of story, song, dance, ancient music-making artefacts, didjerido and costumes celebrates and embraces our heart connection and Spirituality to Country. It pays respect to others, to our Ancestors, our Elders, our culture, history and story, a fundamental aspect of our identity and value and belief system.”

Yuggera Djarra-Na

This is a song performed by First Nations vocalists and dancers, and is gentle in style. Some of this song will be sung in Yagara language, and the words will be on screen so you can sing along.



It's Christmas

This song will be performed by a singer in a brightly coloured dress and 18 dancers dressed in hot pink. The music style is swing or big band, so there will be some brass blasts.

December

This song will be performed by a guest artist with 28 children and will feature lots of high-energy dancing and singing

The Gingerbread House Song

This song is more gentle and will be performed by 28 children.



Homecoming x Here Comes Santa Claus

There will be several moments throughout this song where fireworks will be set off from the Riverstage roof and create glittery tail comets in the sky. This song features 160 performers including a marching band playing drums and brass instruments, dancers, singers, children waving flags and pompoms, and Santa. The performers will travel through the audience at the front and up onto stage. This song is loud, colourful and energetic.

Winter Wonderland

This song is more gentle and will be performed by a vocalist and 28 dancers onstage.

Merry Christmas Everyone

This is a slow song and will be performed by a solo vocalist. The lights will get quite dim onstage for this song.



Lord Mayor and Family

The Lord Mayor and his family will join the host onstage for a chat, and he will walk on to a louder piece of music from It's Christmas in the style of big band/swing.

What Child Is This?

This is a loud and epic song with full orchestra and choir. There will be a moment at the beginning of this song where fireworks will be set off from the Riverstage roof and create glittery tail comets in the sky. There will be a moment in the middle of this song for 10 seconds onstage with gold, glittery effects coming from the two guitarists.

Step Into Christmas and Last Christmas

These two songs will be performed by three singers with guitars. They will be lively and upbeat.



Silent Night

This song will be gentle and soft, and performed entirely in Auslan.

Deck the Halls and O Come All Ye Faithful

These songs will be lively and feature swing, big band style music performed by four vocalists.

The First Noel

This song will be epic and powerful, and the vocalist will sustain a long high note towards the end of the song.



Pure Imagination

During this song, a bright white cloud will emerge from the back of the stage on the floor and creep forward to cover the floor and immerse the solo vocalist. It is a soft and gentle song.

Jingle Bells

This song will be lively and high energy, and will feature a solo vocalist with four dancers.

Santa Claus is Coming to Town and Little Drummer Boy

These songs will be upbeat and feature a solo vocalist playing a large grand piano covered in flowers. The vocalist's dress will be hot pink and very bright.



Go Tell It On the Mountain

This song will be an up tempo gospel song featuring a solo vocalist and the choir.

Home Alone Medley

This medley will feature the full cast onstage, and the songs will change quickly so you'll hear lots of familiar tunes in quick succession.

I Wish It Could be Christmas Everyday

This will be a loud and busy song with the full cast onstage – lots of colour and movement. There will be a moment at the end of this song for 10 seconds onstage with gold, glittery fireworks.



We Wish you a Merry Christmas

Throughout this piece there will be loud and bright fireworks from the river on the left hand side of the stage. There will be a moment at the end of this song for 10 seconds onstage with gold, glittery fireworks.

