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Programme of Events – Christmas Festival of Lights

The Gibraltar Cultural Services on behalf for the Ministry of Culture has announced the programme of events for this year's Festival of Lights on Friday 20th November 2015. The events are being organised by the Gibraltar Cultural Services and the Gibraltar Electricity Authority (GEA) and shall be held at John Mackintosh Square.

The entertainment will be presented by Christian Santos and commences at 6pm with live music, song and dance. The switching-on of the Christmas Lights at 7pm will be conducted by the Minister for Tourism, Equality, Social Services and Housing, the Hon Samantha Sacramento, His Worship the Mayor Adolfo Canepa OBE GMH as well as Catia Rodriguez and Jesse Dos Santos from St Martin's School. Father Christmas and his elves will also be making a special appearance.

Programme of events at John Mackintosh Square include:

5.30pm to 7.30pm	Art and Crafts Market Mulled wine, port and mince pies
6pm	Performances by the Santos Choir, Mediterranean Dance School and Transitions Dance Academy
6.30pm	St Bernard's Middle School Choir
7pm	Video Presentation and Switch-on Christmas Lights ceremony
7.13pm	Father Christmas special appearance
7.15pm	Sea Scouts Pipe & Drum Band

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Following the switching-on ceremony the illuminations will turn on automatically between 5:00pm and 1:00am every day until the 6th January 2016. On the Saturdays leading up to Christmas day the lights will be on from 9:30am. As customary they will remain on throughout the nights of Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, New Year's Eve and the 5th January 2016. The organisers invite as many families as possible to attend.