

Message

by the Governing Mayor of Berlin, Kai Wegner,
for the festival media during the 19th Festival of Lights
from 6 to 15 October 2023

The Festival of Lights is one of the seasonal highlights in autumnal Berlin. Not only is it a wonderful event for Berliners, it is a thrill for an increasing number of guests from Germany and abroad. It stands for creativity, art and inspiration, openness to the world and diversity, in other words, for everything that defines Berlin as a city and makes it so attractive internationally. So in this spirit, let me welcome you to the 2023 Festival of Lights!

Once again, light artists from around the world will help illuminate Berlin's landmarks, historical squares and buildings in colourful splendour with their artistic installations. I am sure that together they will bring us magical moments on the ten nights of this year's Festival of Lights.

My thanks go to all those who have been putting their hearts and souls into this extraordinary event, many of them for years, especially the organisers, their partners and supporters, as well as the artists involved. I wish all of the visitors an unforgettable experience and the 19th edition of the Festival of Lights as a whole every success.



Kai Wegner
Governing Mayor of Berlin