

Programme Highlight for 2025 Announced:

From October 8 to 15, the Festival of Lights transforms Berlin Cathedral into the dazzling “Dome of Beats and Lights.”

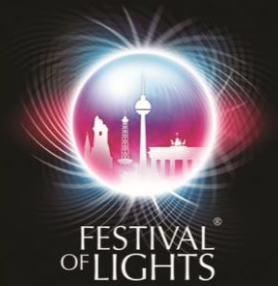
- Highlight of the 2025 festival programme: “FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS in Concert” offers spectacular light art and sounds from world-famous musicians in the interior of Berlin Cathedral during nine shows on five evenings.
- Live performances by Alle Farben, Monika Kruse, Para con Cuva, Chris Bekker, and Henrik Schwarz & Bugge Wesseltoft, featuring unique ambient-style music and light art created especially for the interior of the cathedral, merge to form the “Dome of Beats and Lights.”
- Under the motto “Let’s Shine Together,” Berlin will sparkle for eight nights this year, from October 8 to 15, between 7:00 p.m. and 11:00 p.m., illuminating around 40 locations across the city and sending a bright signal for greater social cohesion.
- The festival programme is available starting today at www.festival-of-lights.de.

Berlin, September 15, 2025 Under the motto “Let’s Shine Together,” Berlin will celebrate the 21st FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS from October 8 to 15, 2025. The highlight of this year’s program is “Festival of Lights in Concert” – an exclusive production combining sound and light art inside Berlin Cathedral. The three-dimensional light projections were created especially for the cathedral interior to accompany the ambient sounds of world-class DJs. Spectators can experience the resulting “Dome of Beats and Lights” at a total of nine events on five evenings with live performances by internationally renowned musicians. The lineup features renowned artists such as Alle Farben, Monika Kruse, Parra for Cuva, Chris Bekker, and Henrik Schwarz & Bugge Wesseltoft, who will perform in Berlin as part of the “Festival of Lights in Concert” series.

“After a highly successful pre-premiere last year, FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS in Concert at Berlin Cathedral will become one of the outstanding highlights of our 2025 program. Audience enthusiasm in 2024 was so overwhelming that we decided to bring this extraordinary experience to a much wider audience this year. That’s why there will not just be one, but a total of nine performances, where breathtaking light art and atmospheric sounds merge into a unique symbiosis. Light and music are orchestrated in such harmony that the monumental church building literally transforms into the ‘Dome of Beats and Lights,’” emphasized organizer and Festival Director Birgit Zander when presenting the 2025 program highlights. Tickets are available online at www.festival-of-lights.de/inconcert. For just a few more days, visitors can take advantage of attractive early-bird prices starting at €45 plus booking fee.

The festival motto “Let’s Shine Together” symbolises unity and stronger social cohesion

With its motto “Let’s Shine Together,” the FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS aims to send a powerful and visible message for greater unity, community, and connectedness. Birgit Zander explains: “Especially in times of growing global tensions, we want the FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS 2025 to focus on what unites people. Through the diversity of light art, we tell stories that build bridges while showcasing the beauty of Berlin. Across around 40 locations, Berlin will become a place of encounters and shared experiences. After all, light knows no barriers and unfolds its true power above all when it is shared—its radiance experienced together with others.”



FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS Award 2025 with 23 international artists from 14 countries

One of the highlights of this year's festival programme is once again the Festival of Lights Award 2025. Twenty-three international artists from 14 countries will present creative interpretations of unity, community, and solidarity on Berlin's most famous landmark.

For 21 consecutive years, the festival has free admission to all open-air attractions

Thanks to partners and sponsors, all open-air attractions at the privately funded FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS have been free of charge every year since its founding in 2005 – and 2025 will be no exception. “We are very excited to invite Berliners and visitors from around the world to experience mesmerizing light art and magical moments in Berlin,” says festival director Birgit Zander.

The FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS is made possible by our outstanding partners

As in previous years, the festival organizers have carefully curated not only the artistic installations but also the selection of sponsors and partners. “It is especially important to us that our partners align with our motto and engage accordingly,” said Birgit Zander. The 2025 festival partners include major names such as Armani Si, Universal Pictures with Wicked: Part 2, Disney with Tron: Ares, Pandora, Paramount Pictures with The Running Man, KIDDINX with Bibi Blocksberg, Potsdamer Platz, WBM with Nikolaiviertel, the digital agency Berlin, Estée Lauder Companies, Das Center am Potsdamer Platz, THF / Tempelhof Project, World Health Summit, Rausch with the Chocolate House at Gendarmenmarkt, the Berlin Chamber of Skilled Crafts, SEBRACON, The Ritz-Carlton Berlin, and many more.

You can find the festival programme at <https://festival-of-lights.de/en/programme-2025/>

The complete programme for this year's Festival of Lights, all information about partners and buildings, and a clear illumination map are available starting today at <https://festival-of-lights.de/en/>

Tickets for the popular Lightseeing tours can already be booked on the festival website. The central marketer for this year's Lightseeing tours is the festival partner visitBerlin.

The FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS 2024 is made possible by Armani Si, Potsdamer Platz, Universal Pictures with “Wicked: Part 2,” Disney with “Tron: Ares,” Pandora, Paramount Pictures with “The Running Man,” KIDDINX with Bibi Blocksberg, WBM with the Nikolaiviertel, Digitalagentur Berlin, Estée Lauder Companies, The Center at Potsdamer Platz, THF / Tempelhof Projekt, World Health Summit, Rausch / Chocolate House Gendarmenmarkt, Handwerkskammer Berlin, SEBRACON, TV-Tower Alexanderplatz, Humboldt-University of Berlin, Commerz Real, visitBerlin, European Parliament, Fischer & Lustig, ASB Wünschewagen, Tiny Space, Lichtenberg District Office, The Ritz-Carlton Berlin, Metropolitan St. Hedwigs-Kathedrale.

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