

Speech by the Financial Secretary, Mr Henry Tang, at the preview of "A Symphony of Lights" (December 20, 2003):

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Honoured Guests, Ladies and Gentlemen,

It is my great pleasure to have this opportunity to share with our honoured guests this exclusive preview of "A Symphony of Lights". Combining the latest technology with our dazzling lighting, this brand new tourism project will be launched next month as a permanent showcase for Victoria Harbour's celebrated night-time vista.

"A Symphony of Lights" is the fruit of the joint efforts of our different partners from the public and private sectors. The tourism trade will play a key role to exploit its long-term potential. I trust our trade representatives will find this Preview useful to help them market and promote this new attraction and generate further new business.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a very happy and successful New Year! Thank you.

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