# Christmas concert. Liepāja Symphony Orchestra and Vestards Šimkus / Concert Hall “Latvija”

**As the Christmas is drawing near, Ventspils lights up in thousands of festive lights. Everyone is welcome to enjoy a ride in the Christmas train “Ventspils Train”. Those fond of walking will definitely appreciate the guide “Ventspils under the Christmas Lights”.**

**Ventspils Museum, the Digital Centre, and the Science Centre “Vizium” invite students and families with children to enjoy a wide range of activities before Christmas,whereas the snow hill “Lemberga hūte” will guarantee a real winter fun. In December, the Ventspils Cultural Centre, the Theatre House “Jūras vārti”, and the Concert Hall “Latvija” offer you a wide range of cultural events. The summary also provides further information on Christmas activities in Ventspils Municipality.**

**Walking guide “Ventspils under the Christmas Lights”**

Those fond of walking will appreciate the guide “**Ventspils under the Christmas Lights**”, which will lead you through the city streets twinkling with Christmas lights, allowing you to discover the most beautiful Christmas decorations marked on the map. The proposed route also includes 9 decorated Christmas trees. The guide is available for download at**ventspils.lv,** whereas the printed version is always available at the Tourist Information Centre at Dārzu iela 6.

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**Ventspils lights up**

As a tradition, on the square **Lielais laukums,** located beside the Concert Hall “Latvija”, **the main Christmas tree** brings joy to the locals every year. **This year’s Holiday décor** additions are the **“Light Drums”**, which will complement the composition of illuminated music instruments on the square Lielais laukums, and the numbers representing the upcoming year 2023 with the respective zodiac sign of the Chinese horoscope – the rabbit – at the square entrance from the side of the streets Lielais prospekts and Kuldīgas iela**2023. gada skaitlis ar nākamā gada Austrumu horoskopa – truša figūru** . No less interesting is the holiday decoration from the last year – the **“Christmas Piano”** with a height of 3.8 m, which is an interactive light installation with practical use, allowing everyone interested trying their hand at the piano playing.

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Another large **Christmas tree** adorned with twinkling lights and festive décor, located in the very heart of the Old Town – on the**Town Hall Square,** brings the joy of Christmas to all passers-by. The trees nearby are illuminated by Christmas lights, whereas the streetlamps are adorned with angels blowing trumpets, thus inviting everyone to visit**Bethlehem** to find the illuminated nativity scene. The street **Annas iela**, on the other hand, will be **decorated with garlands containing 12 large Christmas spheres** painted by the students of Ventspils School of Arts. In the city centre, you will be able to capture magical festive mood, walking down the illuminated alley**Laikrakstu aleja** and passing trees decorated with **sparkling umbrellas**. Nearby, on the square **Dzirnavu laukums**, a romantic atmosphere is created by **large-sized candles** arranged in a circle in the middle of the square. **Walking down the street Kuldīgas iela, a festive mood is created by a string of light bulbs in the trees. Each week, one candle will be lit in the Advent wreath as a Christmas countdown. This year, the Science Centre “Vizium” has surprised everyone with a stylized light object located at the main entrance. In the centre of Pārventa**, a large decorated **Christmas tree** and a pair of **glittering reindeer on sleighs** are waiting for you to take beautiful photos.