



Lantern Procession

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MINI
Plant Oxford



6.15–6.45pm

Kicking off the revelry will be a spectacular lantern procession based around the story of the wheel with Oxford school children parading their amazing lanterns made out of willow and tissue paper.

The procession will wind its way through the city streets starting and finishing in Bonn Square (see map overleaf).

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Broad Street The OTP stage



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BBC
RADIO OXFORD

4–10pm

BBC Oxford presenters will host six hours of singing, dancing and celebrations with special guests arriving at 6.45pm to switch on the lights. Festive food, mulled wine and Christmas gifts will be on hand thanks to a variety of stalls along Broad Street.

P Motorists will be able to park for free in Oxford's central car parks after 5.30pm on Christmas Light Night

The Tree Barn, at Christmas Common in Watlington have sponsored the Christmas tree for Oxford

This year, come and celebrate the arrival of the Christmas Season in Oxford with a buzzing evening of processions, lights, dance, art, live music and street performance, all thrown together with a generous helping of festive cheer! Oxford's Castle, Town Hall, theatres and museums will throw open their doors to the public for one-off late night viewings of their exhibitions and displays enhanced by special performances.

For more detailed information on Christmas Light Night activities nearer the time, visit www.oxfordinspires.org

“The magical atmosphere and beautiful lanterns made the school community really proud to be part of the Christmas Light Night experience”

THROUGHOUT THE EVENING

4.30–10pm	● Town Hall – OVADA Spotlight with displays by local artists
4.30–10pm	● Town Hall – Santa's special grotto, mulled wine and mince pies
4.30–11pm	● Oxford Playhouse – Festive Storytelling, Cocktails and Late Night Jazz
5–8pm	● Museum of Oxford – World War II Xmas, MINI and the Wheel
5–10pm	● Oxford Castle – German Market and Spooky Tours
6–10pm	● Ashmolean Museum – Explore the galleries after hours, café open
6–10pm	● Museum of Natural History and Pitt Rivers – Torch Light and Music
6–10pm	● O3 Gallery – A Cotswold Scene, photography
6.30–8pm	● Bodleian Library – Explore the Bodleian Library, local choirs
7–11pm	● Museum of the History of Science – Stars and Starlight Activities
8.15–9pm	● Radcliffe Square – Unsilent Night
Welcome	● St Michael at the North Gate Church – Open doors and tower
Welcome	● St Ebbe's – Open door with advent carol service

BROAD STREET STAGE

4pm	● Dance Platform: Samba, Indian, Jazz, Tap, Contemporary and Salsa
5pm	● Somerville College Choir
5.30pm	● Afropean Choir
6pm	● Oxford Harmony
6.45pm	● Christmas light switch on with special guests
7pm	● Dance Platform: Hip Hop, Fusion, Musical Theatre and Break Dance
7.30pm	● Oxford Gospel Choir
8pm	● Dance Platform: Street Dance, Contemporary, Hip Hop
8.30pm	● Out of the Blue
9.15–10pm	● Christian Life Centre Group Gospel Choir

● Indoor ● Outdoor

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Christmas Light Night

Friday 26 November
4–11pm

Celebrate
the arrival of
the Christmas
Season in
Oxford

Christmas lights
Lantern procession
Music and dance
Museums
Galleries
Theatres



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Christmas Light Night Venues

1
OVADA at Oxford Town Hall Spotlight

Visit Oxford's beautiful Town Hall to see a showcase of new artworks – including video, sound, light, installation and performance – created by regional artists and selected by OVADA.

2
University of Oxford: Ashmolean Museum Happy Birthday Ashmolean

6–10pm
To mark the Ashmolean's first anniversary since its official reopening, the museum is inviting all to come along and explore the galleries after hours, eat a slice of cake and to join in for a chorus of happy birthday!

3
University of Oxford: Bodleian Library

6.30–8pm
Visit the Bodleian Library and explore one of the most beautiful medieval buildings in Oxford at night. Local choirs will also be on hand to entertain visitors throughout the evening.

4
University of Oxford: Museum of Natural History and Pitt Rivers Museum Winter Light and Music

6–10pm
A magical evening of light and darkness, music and movement and festive refreshments – the perfect Christmas mix!

5
University of Oxford: Museum of the History of Science Stars and Starlight

7–11pm
During this evening dedicated to spectroscopy, come and find out just what it is that stars are made of, see an exhibition of meteors and create your own personal 'spectrum'.

6
Oxford Castle German Market and Spooky Tours

5–10pm
Tickets for Lamplight tours: £7.75 adults, £5.50 children, £6.50 concs. Visit the traditional German Market, Christmas Grotto and Children's Winter Wonderland, before embarking on a spooky lamplight tour of the castle!



All venues and activities are free, unless otherwise stated

6
03 Gallery A Cotswold Scene (Photography competition and exhibition)

Doors open as the procession arrives at Oxford Castle – 10pm
See the winning photographs of a recent photography competition designed to celebrate the beauty of the Cotswolds.

7
Oxford Playhouse Festive Storytelling, Cocktails and Late Night Jazz

4.30–11pm
Bring your under 10's to some festive storytelling 4.30–5.30pm. Afterwards, see a show, enjoy a special cocktail and hear some brilliant live jazz.

8
Museum of Oxford World War II Christmas

5–8pm
Join in with traditional children's games, family arts and crafts and find out what made a 'Make Do and Mend' Christmas during World War II from staff in period costume. Associates from MINI will be on hand to discuss the story of the wheel.

1
Oxford Town Hall Santa Claus is comin' to Town!

4.30–10pm
Keep your eye out for Father Christmas and treat yourself to mulled wine, mince pies and other delicious treats throughout the evening. Watch out for the fabulous marching K&G Youth Band making a colourful and festive appearance.

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City Churches: St Michael at the North Gate, St Ebbe's and Wesley Memorial

Advent Carol services will take place at St Ebbe's Church and Wesley Memorial Church, and you will be offered a warm welcome at St Michael at the North Gate.



9
Unsilent Night

Phil Kline's Unsilent Night – Promenade 8.15–9pm (meet at 8pm) Radcliffe Square
Oxford Contemporary Music invites you to bring your portable stereos to join Oxford's first Unsilent Night promenade. Composer Phil Kline's free outdoor participatory sound sculpture, recorded on cassettes, CDs and mp3s and played through a roving swarm of ghetto blasters and other audio devices, is a winter wonderland of shimmering bells, chimes and grand chorales. The walking sound sculpture debuted in New York in 1992 and is now annually performed there and in other cities worldwide.

If you would like to take part contact 01865 488369 or www.ocmevents.org for a copy of the music and instructions, preferably one week in advance.

