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## **“Movie Park's Hollywood Christmas” rings in the winter: The event for the whole family provides entertainment, shows and action just like in a Christmas movie!**

(Bottrop-Kirchhellen, 5 November 2024) Ho-Ho-Hollywood in Germany will soon be knocking on the studio doors! The second season of the winter event “Movie Park's Hollywood Christmas” once again offers an experience for the whole family. Entertainment and shows will take center stage and immerse guests in an original American Christmas atmosphere with more than ten moments of entertainment and shows. This year, further investment has also been made in lighting. Over 800,000 lights will shine in four differently themed areas. From November 29, 2024, to January 6, 2025, Movie Park will create a festive, American Christmas program suitable for all generations on 23 selected event days.

“Christmas wishes will once again come true on our movie set this winter,” says Managing Director Thorsten Backhaus. “We are already looking forward to building on last year's successful premiere of 'Movie Park's Hollywood Christmas' and letting our guests experience Christmas just like in an American movie.”

Studio 7 is making the Christmas season magical again. The winter show “A Magical Christmas Tale” by and with illusionist Christian Farla will return with a small update and let the whole family once again take part in a merry Christmas story. The winter parade along Christmas Boulevard U.S.A. and Rockefeller Plaza will be upgraded this year. The Meet Santa & Friends at the Western Saloon will also be further developed to make children and younger visitors smile even more. Last but not least, the grand finale of each event day will be a new closing show with fire, laser and light effects, which is developed in cooperation with the renowned Bottrop-based company FOG fireworks.

The big Christmas Tree Celebration is a must and returns as one of the highlights of the event. The Roxy 4-D cinema is once again bringing a Christmas classic to the big screen with “The Polar Express”. A Christmas-style mapping show, a 360 m<sup>2</sup> covered ice skating rink, a curling area, the Kids Cookie Factory and typical US food will also be back on the wintry production schedule in Ho-Ho-Hollywood in Germany. In addition to a singing show on Rockefeller Plaza, this year's “Movie Park's Christmas Spectacular” will take place in Van Helsing's Club to incorporate new elements and to provide a weather-independent location. The Californian area of the park, the “Santa Monica Pier”, will also be open this year for a Christmas stroll, making it possible to walk around the park in a circular route.

The attractions will once again be faster than a sleigh ride. In addition to a few family-friendly rides, there will also be time to enjoy some rollercoasters (opening of attractions subject to weather conditions; water attractions remain closed). In response to increased demand from guests, the wooden coaster “The Bandit” will also be included in the winter attraction portfolio this year.

*Detailed information on the program can be found in our press kit.*

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**Movie Park Germany**

Since 1996, Movie Park Germany has been offering its visitors shows, attractions and events all about film, with the motto: "Hooray, I'm in the movies!" Spanning approximately 45 hectares, the Park invites guests to immerse themselves in the world of film and find excitement, entertainment and thrills in more than 40 different attractions. Germany's largest film and amusement park is a special experience for young and old alike, having borne the TÜV distinction "OK for Kids" since 2006. Featuring Nickelodeon LAND and its TV heroes SpongeBob SquarePants and Patrick Star, the PAW Patrol and the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles, the park is particularly suitable for families. Thanks to the in-house tour operator Movie Park Holidays, arranging a long journey with accommodation in nearby hotels is child's play. [www.movieparkholidays.com](http://www.movieparkholidays.com). Movie Park is part of Parques Reunidos, one of the leading global operators of regional leisure parks with a well-diversified portfolio of more than 60 different assets (theme parks, zoos and marine parks, water parks and other attractions), spread out over 12 countries across Europe, North America, the Middle East, and Australia.



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