



# Season of Light



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*Light up the cold, dark season with a warm and bright holiday show!*

**Narrated by National Public Radio's Noah Adams**

*Season of Light* explores the reasons humans are so fascinated with lighting up our lives during the December holiday season. It's an exploration of the astronomical meanings behind seasonal traditions, including the "Star over Bethlehem".

When the December holiday season rolls around each year, planetarians often present special programs that combine astronomy and holiday traditions.

One of the most popular programs in the Loch Ness Productions repertory is

***Season of Light*** — an elegant and sophisticated program about the coldest and darkest of seasons — a time which holds some of the warmest and brightest celebrations of the year.



This presentation traces the history and development of many of the world's most endearing holiday customs, all of which involve lighting up the winter season — from the burning Yule log, festive Christmas tree lights and sparkling candles in windows, to the lighting of luminarias and setting off fireworks in the American Southwest and the traditional ritual lighting of the Hanukkah Menorah.



The show also recounts the historical religious and cultural rituals practiced during the time of winter solstice — not only Christian and Jewish, but also Celtic, Nordic, Roman, Irish, Mexican and Hopi. It also takes a look at some of our more light-hearted seasonal traditions: from gift-giving and kissing under the mistletoe to songs about lords a-leaping and ladies dancing; and the custom of decking the halls with greenery and candles. St. Nicholas, Sinterklaas, Kris Kringle, Father Christmas, and Santa Claus all drop by as well.

Naturally, there is some astronomy in ***Season of Light***. Audiences learn a selection of Northern hemisphere winter constellations, and find out why we

even have seasons, as we demonstrate the Sun's path across the sky throughout the year, and the Earth's tilt and orbit around the Sun.

Of course, the program explores the possible astronomical explanations for a "Star over Bethlehem" in the last quarter of the show: comets, meteors, novae and supernovae, and planetary conjunctions.

***Season of Light*** is visually rich, culturally inclusive, musically satisfying, and soothing as a warm drink on a cold winter's night — and the perfect program for that end-of-the-year program slot!

Running time: **35:17** Year of production: **2005**, classic **1993**  
 Suitable for: **General public**  
 Educational content: **Astronomy — Sun, Moon, Venus, Jupiter, constellations, lunar eclipse, seasons, novae, meteors.**

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