

**“SEAWORLD’S CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION®” OPENS NOV. 17 WITH
NEW SHOWS AND ATTRACTIONS**

SAN ANTONIO (Oct. 19, 2012) – SeaWorld® San Antonio will deck the halls this holiday season with enhanced décor and light displays at its annual **Christmas Celebration®**, a magical holiday program offered on scheduled operating days, Nov. 17 through Dec. 31, 2012.

All new for SeaWorld’s Christmas Celebration® is the **Jingling Around the Block Party**. Guests can dance and sing along with all their favorite Sesame Street® friends. Also new this Christmas season is a festive train ride for young guests aboard the **SeaWorld Express** located at Penguin Plaza.

Returning Christmas favorites include: **A Dolphin Christmas**, **Elmo’s Christmas Wish** and **Reflections**. Also returning are the many traveling musicians, singers and photo opportunities each with their own unique Christmas flare sure to get families into the holiday spirit.

Set to music from the *Nutcracker*, **A Dolphin Christmas** features beluga whales, Pacific white-sided dolphins, acrobats and trainers in a stunning celebration of Christmas, the SeaWorld® way!

Make a wish during **Elmo’s Christmas Wish** in the heart of the charming Sesame Street® Bay of Play®, and be inspired watching Rosita, Grover, Zoe and Cookie Monster all work together to help Elmo find his Christmas wish.

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Guests can reflect on the magic of Christmas during **Reflections** and sing-a-long to Christmas melodies led by Elfred, and all the SeaWorld® carolers.

Santa's helpers, Clyde and Seamore, are bringing laughs to SeaWorld® in **Clyde & Seamore's Countdown to Christmas**. This special holiday show is filled with spoofs and plenty of laughs. Our loveable sea lions, along with the rest of the crew, invite guests to their fun-filled holiday celebration.

Guests are taken on a wonderful voyage into the heart of the holidays as they experience the power and beauty of **Shamu Christmas...Miracles**. They'll be immersed in a festive atmosphere of sight and sound, where thrilling holiday music soars as Shamu® helps tell a story of reflection, understanding, peace, friendship and the everyday miracles that surround us.

Nautilus Amphitheater is once again home to **A Sesame Street Christmas**. Join Cookie Monster, Elmo and friends as they teach their friend Abby Cadabby all about Christmas. This show includes family-favorite Christmas carols and even snow!

A visit to SeaWorld's Christmas Celebration® would not be complete without **Santa's Fireside Feast**. This reservation-only experience features a holiday dinner with all the trimmings. Guests will be treated to a fireside reading of *'Twas the Night Before Christmas* from the big man himself, Santa Claus. Then for dessert, guests can indulge in **Milk and Cookies with Santa**. SeaSide Landing will be transformed into the North Pole for this reservation-only experience. Traveling table to table, posing for pictures and spreading good cheer, Santa and Mrs. Claus will bring the spirit of the season to you!

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SeaWorld® San Antonio is open weekends through Dec. 16, as well as Thanksgiving week, Nov. 19 through 25 and Dec. 26 through Jan. 6 (closed Christmas Day). Sunday, Jan. 6, 2013 is SeaWorld's® final operating day for the 2012 season. For more details, call (800) 700-7786, or visit www.SeaWorld.com.

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