

Firework display to return for New Year

NEW Year's Eve will reach a spectacular climax once again with a midnight fireworks display over the River Tyne.

It's a fitting welcome for 2018, a year which brings with it the Great Exhibition of the North - an event promising an action-packed summer.

The New Year's Eve free fireworks display is back by popular demand, with an estimated 10,000 people having braved the cold to see 2017 ushered in last year.

The event is again being produced by NewcastleGateshead Initiative (NGI) in partnership with NE1 Ltd, the business improvement district company.

People on Newcastle Quayside or the Gateshead side of the river at midnight will see once again that the Tyne bridges make a stunning backdrop for a fireworks display.

The event is unticketed and comes a few hours after the family-friendly event, East of the Sun, West of the Moon, which this year replaces the parade through Newcastle city centre, culminating in fireworks outside the Civic Centre.

East of the Sun, West of the Moon is ticketed and is due to take place between 4pm and 6pm on Newcastle's Town Moor.