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Winners of the 2008 Sydney New Year's Eve Photo Competition

Two winners have been announced - Fred Taylor from Glebe and Rui Zhang from Randwick – for this years 2008 Sydney New Year's Eve photography competition.

“Almost 400 entries were received to the inaugural competition and many of the entries showed wonderful, creative images of the stunning fireworks displays and the shimmering Sydney Harbour – but also pictures of vantage points and family and friends celebrating the night together,” said Lord Mayor Clover Moore MP.

“The winning images are quite beautiful and we thank all entrants for sending in their images for consideration.”

Fred won first prize in the *Fireworks & Sydney Harbour* category for his stunning picture taken from a skyscraper in Circular Quay – featuring the Sydney Harbour Bridge and harbour alight with fireworks.

Rui's image won the *Vantage Points, Family & Friends* category, showing crowds gathering in anticipation of the Sydney New Year's Eve fireworks at Mrs Macquarie's Point, Sydney.

Each winner will collect a prize pack including:

- An exclusive behind the scenes tour at the Network Ten studios to watch the news live
- A wonderful dining experience for two at Cafe Sydney (voucher to the value of \$130)
- A spending spree at a major camera store (voucher to the value of \$250)
- Having their winning photo displayed on the official 2008 Sydney New Year's Eve website

The City of Sydney's official nominated charity for 2008 Sydney New Year's Eve is Planet Ark.

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High res images and winner contact details available for media purposes.

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