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**Maltese fireworks factory wins international festival**

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**VALLETTA, Malta (di-ve news) -- August 06, 2007 -- 1130CEST -- Updated 1330CEST --** The Saint Mary Fireworks Group of Mqabba has won an international fireworks festival and thus become the world champions after beating off competition from some of the world's best fireworks factories.

The festival, 'Caput Lucis', was held in Rome and saw the participation of fireworks factories from Italy, England, Spain, Romania, Japan, Slovenia, China and Malta.

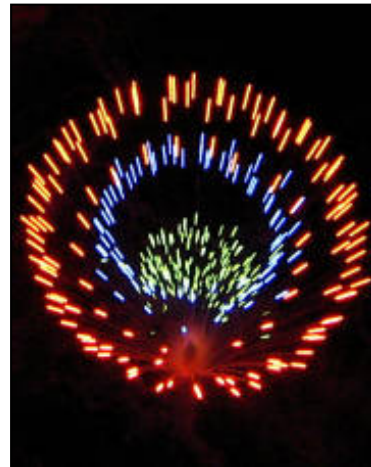
A crowd of over 350,000 witnessed the spectacle, where the talent and abilities of the pyrotechnicians was evident in the show that was produced.

The Maltese group performed on Thursday, the second day of the 5-day festival which came to an end on Sunday.

The win was the second prestigious result obtained by the Saint Mary Fireworks Group in two years, as it retained the title it had won on home soil last year in the first edition of the international fireworks festival.

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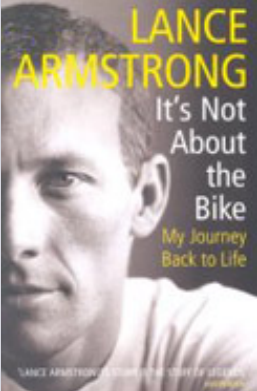


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