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**THE MALTA INTERNATIONAL FIREWORKS FESTIVAL CONCLUDES IN A SPECTACULAR MANNER**

**Rozzi Fireworks win the Pyro-Musical Competition**

The third and final night of the Malta International Fireworks Festival unfolded splendidly at the Grand Harbour yesterday evening. This followed previous nights in Gozo and Marsaxlokk.

The event in Valletta kicked off with a concert together with a brass band and talented singers, performing live on a floating stage, accompanied by traditional Maltese fireworks. The latter were exhibited by Lourdes Fireworks Factory of San Ġwann, St Philip's Fireworks Factory of Żebbuġ and St. Michael's Fireworks Factory of Lija. All three factories exhibited spherical shells (blalen) and cylindrical shells (sfejjer).

Immediately after, the judges' decision was declared. There were four competing firework factories in the pyro-musical section of the festival. The results are as follows:

4th place: Martarello SRL, from Italy

3rd place: Phoenix Fireworks from the UK

2nd place: St. Mary's Fireworks Factory from Ghaxaq, Malta

1st place: Rozzi Fireworks from the USA

The crowd was wowed by a breathtaking pyro-musical show exhibited by Pyroemotions. Singers by the likes of Glen Vella and Amber performed a medley of Maltese music, in memory of Tony 'Bayzo' Camilleri, together with well known tracks by various artists and the late Avicii. The medley was specifically arranged by Elton Zarb. All this was accompanied by fireworks let off in the harbour, resulting in an unforgettable spectacle.

The MTA would like to thank all attendees, together with all participants, who have made the 17th edition of the Malta International Fireworks Festival a huge success.