## Santa poised to release his first ever album

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Today the Edinburgh Reporter can exclusively reveal that after almost 200 years delivering gifts around the world to all the well behaved children on December 24th, Santa Claus has this year decided to add to his prodigious workload by releasing his first ever album.

Bringing together elves and members of staff from his day job to create band 'The Christmas Crackers', Santa has selected a number of original Christmas tunes for the LP. He's also chosen a number of his own favourite tunes to cover, including 'Merry Christmas Everyone', 'Santa Claus is Coming to Town', 'So Here It Is Merry Christmas' and more. There's even a seasonal version of Carl Douglas hit 'Kung Fu Fighting', retitled 'Christmas Shopping', which has received high praise from Douglas himself.

Santa told the Edinburgh Reporter: "So 'hear' it is 'Let there be Christmas' my very first album, which with great pleasure I dedicate to the young at heart of all ages.

"I thought it time we put some festive fun back into Christmas as it's all become far too commercialized for my liking and I don't know about you but I was getting a bit tired of hearing the same old songs year after year and believe me I've been listening a lot longer than any of you. It seemed to me that the traditional Christmas tune had been somewhat overlooked in this techno world we all now live in so I thought I'd come up with one or two songs myself which are guaranteed to make you smile and put yuletide spring in your step. I must say I have really enjoyed my first excursion into the world of Pop n' Roll. Think I might do it all again next year? Merry Christmas and Happy listening. "

The Crackers work happily alongside the many thousands of Santa's little helpers at the family distribution centre in Lapland. They all have special talents and Santa chose them for their beautiful singing and dancing skills that have helped give this album that special Christmas sound.

Christmas Cracker Abbi works in the packing department and can't stop singing and dancing all day long.

Christmas Cracker Sarah loves animals and looks after Rudolf and all the other reindeer often singing them to sleep.

Christmas Elf Tony wants to be a mechanic when he grows up and keeps Santa's sleigh in good working order while practicing his scales.

Christmas Cracker Laura is one of Santa's many secretaries processing the millions of letters and emails they receive every year.

'Let There Be Christmas' is released November 25th from all good download sites.