**Work In Progress**

We ask for your patience in the event that we have missed any important dates that meet the criteria. If you know of another date that meets the above criteria and should be included or if there is a date listed that does not meet the criteria and should not be included, please contact the Office of Diversity and Equity at (203) 837-8444.

**Additional Information**

We welcome your input. If you know of additional resources, please let us know. Conversely, please inform us if any websites that we may have chosen to explain a particular day may be culturally insensitive or inaccurate.

**Source(s)**

[**http://www.diversitybestpractices.com/2017-diversity-holidays**](http://www.diversitybestpractices.com/2017-diversity-holidays)

[**http://www.nea.org/grants/54006.htm**](http://www.nea.org/grants/54006.htm)

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **January 2018** | | | | | | | | |
| **Date** | | | **Diversity Event** | | | | | **Related Ethnicity/Faith** |
| **1** | | | [**New Year’s Day**](http://www.history.com/topics/new-years) | | | | | **World Wide** |
| [**Temple Day**](http://kadampa.org/buddhism/international-temples-day) | | | | | **Buddhist** |
| **2-4** | | | [**Mahayana New Year**](http://www.beliefnet.com/faiths/buddhism/articles/the-buddhist-and-the-new-year.aspx) | | | | | **Buddhist** |
| **5** | | | [**Guru Gobind singh JI’s Birthday**](http://www.festivalsofindia.in/gurugobind/) | | | | |  |
| **6** | | | ([**Día de los Reyes**](http://www.inside-mexico.com/ReyesMagos.htm)  ***(Three Kings Day/Epiphany)*** | | | | | **Mexico/Puerto Rico/Dominican Republic** |
| [**Christmas**](http://www.huliq.com/1/90182/armenian-christmas-celebrated-january-6) | | | | | **Armenian Orthodox Christmas** |
| **7** | | | [**Christmas**](http://www.religionfacts.com/eastern-orthodoxy) | | | | | **Eastern Orthodox Christians** |
| **14** | | | [**Makar Sankrant**](http://www.hindujagruti.org/hinduism/festivals/makar-sankranti/) | | | | | **Hindu** |
| **15** | | | [**Martin Luther King Day**](http://www.infoplease.com/spot/mlkhistory1.html) | | | | | **USA** |
| **18-25** | | | [**Week of Pray for Christian Unity**](https://www.episcopalchurch.org/events/week-prayer-christian-unity-2018) | | | | | **Christians** |
| **19** | | | [**World Religion Day**](http://daysofyear.com/world-religion-day/) | | | | | **International** |
| **21** | | | [**Our Lady of Altagracia Day**](http://www.piercedhearts.org/hearts_jesus_mary/apparitions/altagracia.html) | | | | | **Dominican Republic** |
| **26** | | | [**Republic Day of India**](https://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/india/republic-day) | | | | | **India** |
| **27** | | | [**UN Holocaust Memorial Day**](http://www.worldatlas.com/articles/when-is-holocaust-remembrance-day.html) | | | | | **Jewish** |
| **30-31** | | | [**Tu B’Shevat**](http://www.chabad.org/library/article_cdo/aid/3264/jewish/Tu-BShevat.htm) | | | | | **Jewish** |
| **31** | | | [**Birthday of Guru Har Rai**](http://aglobalworld.com/holidays-around-the-world/birthday-guru-har-rai-sikh/)  **(No Name Calling Week)** | | | | | **Sikh** |
| **February 2017**  **“**[**African American (Black) Heritage Month**](http://africanamericanhistorymonth.gov/)**”** | | | | | | | | |
| **Date** | | | **Diversity Event** | | | | | **Related Ethnicity/Faith** |
| **1** | | | [**National Freedom**](http://www.holidayscalendar.com/event/national-freedom-day/) | | | | | **USA** |
| **1-27** | | | \*[**Las Fiestas de los Carnivales**](http://www.watchmojo.com/index.php?id=7214) ***(Carnival Parties)*** | | | | | **Puerto Rico/ Dominican Republic** |
| **2** | | | [**Imbolc**](http://www.thewhitegoddess.co.uk/the_wheel_of_the_year/imbolc.asp) | | | | | **Pagan** |
| **7-13** | | | [**Lunar New Year**](http://www.chinahighlights.com/travelguide/festivals/spring-festival/chinese-zodiac-years-of-2011-to-2020.htm)  ***(Year of the Monkey)*** | | | | | **Confucian/Daoist/Buddhist** |
| **Date** | | | **Diversity Event** | | | | | **Related Ethnicity/Faith** |
| **12** | | | [**Lincoln’s Birthday**](http://www.whitehouse.gov/about/presidents/abrahamlincoln) | | | | | **USA** |
| **13** | | | [**Maha Shivratri**](http://www.drikpanchang.com/festivals/maha-shivaratri/maha-shivaratri-date-time.html) | | | | | **Hindu** |
| [**Maridi Gras**](http://www.history.com/topics/holidays/mardi-gras) | | | | | **Catholics** |
| [**Shrove Tuesday**](https://www.whyeaster.com/customs/shrovetuesday.shtml) | | | | | **Western Christians** |
| **14** | | | [**Valentine’s Day**](http://www.history.com/topics/valentines-day/history-of-valentines-day)  ***Be mindful that everyone does not celebrate Valentine’s Day*** | | | | | **International** |
| [**Ash Wednesday**](http://www.catholic.org/lent/ashwed.php) | | | | | **Christian** |
| [**Race Relations day**](https://www.economist.com/news/leaders/21583992-fifty-years-after-martin-luther-kings-speech-fixing-americas-racial-ills-requires-new) | | | | | **International** |
| **15** | | | [**Nirvana Day**](https://www.thoughtco.com/nirvana-day-449911) | | | | | **Buddhist** |
| [**Susan B. Anthony Day**](http://susanbanthonyhouse.org/her-story/biography.php) | | | | | **USA** |
| **16** | | | [**Chinese New Year**](http://www.history.com/topics/holidays/chinese-new-year) | | | | | **Chinese** |
| **16-18** | | | [**Losar, the Tibetan Buddhist New Year**](https://www.thoughtco.com/losar-tibetan-new-year-449919) | | | | | **Buddhist** |
| **19** | | | [**Day of Remembrance**](http://www.japanese-city.com/calendar/events/index.php?com=detail&eID=25325) | | | | | **USA** |
| [**Presidents Day**](http://www.history.com/topics/holidays/presidents-day) | | | | | **USA** |
| **21** | | | [**Orthodox Lent**](http://www.goarch.org/en/ourfaith/pascha/) | | | | | **Christian** |
| **24-1(Mar)** | | | [**Intercalary Days**](http://www.beliefnet.com/faiths/bahai/the-intercalary-days.aspx) | | | | | **Baha’i** |
| **27** | | | [**Independence Day**](http://www.donquijote.org/culture/dominican-republic/society/holidays/dominican-independence-day) | | | | | **Dominican Republic** |
| **28-1(Mar)** | | | [**Purim**](http://www.holidays.net/purim/) | | | | | **Jewish** |
| **March 2018**  **“**[**National Women’s History Month**](http://womenshistorymonth.gov/)**”**  **“**[**National Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month**](https://www.specialneedsalliance.org/march-is-developmental-disabilities-awareness-month/)**”**  **“**[**National Multiple Sclerosis Education and Awareness Month**](https://msfocus.org/Get-Involved/MS-Awareness-Month)**”** | | | | | | | | |
| **Date** | | | **Diversity Event** | | | | **Related Ethnicity/Faith** | |
| **1-20** | | | [**Nineteen Day Fast**](http://www.bahai.org/action/institutional-capacity/nineteen-day-feast) | | | | **Baha’i** | |
| **2** | | | [**Lantern Festival**](https://www.travelchinaguide.com/essential/holidays/lantern.htm) | | | | **Chinese** | |
| [**Holi**](http://www.holifestival.org/holi-festival.html)  **(Spring Religious Festival)** | | | | **Hindu and Sikh** | |
| [**Holla Mohalla**](https://www.allaboutsikhs.com/sikh-festivals/the-sikh-festivals-holla-mohalla) | | | | **Sikh** | |
| **8** | | | [**International Women’s Day**](http://www.internationalwomensday.com/) | | | | **International** | |
| **Date** | | | **Diversity Event** | | | | **Related Ethnicity/Faith** | |
| **12** | | | [**Magha Puja Day**](https://www.bing.com/search?q=what+is+Magha+puja+day&src=IE-TopResult&FORM=IETR02&conversationid=) | | | | **Buddhist** | |
| **13-15(apr)** | | | [**Deaf History Month**](https://www.verywell.com/deaf-history-month-1046528) | | | | **International** | |
| **17** | | | [**St. Patrick’s Day**](http://www.history.com/topics/st-patricks-day) | | | | **Irish** | |
| **20** | | | [**Ostara**](http://www.ibtimes.com/spring-equinox-facts-2016-history-pagan-ostara-festival-2336956) | | | | **Pagan** | |
| [**Vernal Equinox**](https://www.almanac.com/content/first-day-spring-vernal-equinox) | | | | **International** | |
| **20-21** | | | [**Naw Ruz**](http://www.funsocialstudies.learninghaven.com/edu/naw-ruz.html)  ***(Baháí New Year)*** | | | | **Iranian, Baháí** | |
| **20-26** | | | [**Holy Week**](http://www.crivoice.org/cyholyweek.html) | | | | **Christian** | |
| **21** | | | [**International Day for Elimination of Racial Discrimination**](http://www.un.org/en/events/racialdiscriminationday/) | | | | **International** | |
| [**Nowruz/Norooz**](http://www.holidayscalendar.com/event/nowruz/)  **(Persuin New Year)** | | | | **Persian** | |
| **25** | | | [**Palm Sunday**](http://catholicism.about.com/od/holydaysandholidays/p/Palm_Sunday.htm) | | | | **Christian** | |
| [**Ram Navani**](https://festivals.awesomeji.com/ramnavami/index.html) | | | | **Hindu** | |
| **29** | | | [**Holy Thursday(Maundy Thursday)**](http://www.catholic.org/lent/thurs.php) | | | | **Christian** | |
| **30** | | | [**Good Friday**](http://www.catholic.org/lent/friday.php) | | | | **Christian** | |
| **30-7(Apr)** | | | [**Passover**](http://www.chabad.org/holidays/passover/pesach_cdo/aid/871715/jewish/What-Is-Passover.htm) | | | | **Jewish** | |
| **31** | | | [**Cesar Chavez Day**](http://www.cesarchavezholiday.org/) | | | | **USA** | |
| **April 2017**  **“**[**Cultural Diversity Month**](https://dignityandrespect.org/april-is-diversity-month/)**”**  **“**[**Autuism Awareness Month**](http://www.autism-society.org/get-involved/national-autism-awareness-month/)**”**  **“**[**Genocide Awareness Month**](https://www.hmh.org/ed_GAM_main.shtml)**”** | | | | | | | | |
| **Date** | | | **Diversity Event** | | | | **Related Ethnicity/Faith** | |
| **1** | | | **[Easter Sunday](http://www.catholic.org/lent/easter.php)**  [**Easter Sunday in the United States**](https://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/us/easter-sunday) | | | | **Christians** | |
| **2** | | | [**World Autism Awareness Day**](https://www.bing.com/search?q=WHAT%20IS%20WORLD%20AUSTISM%20AWARENESS%20DAY&qs=n&form=QBRE&sp=-1&pq=what%20is%20world%20austism%20awareness%20day&sc=8-35&sk=&cvid=627294CAB5144369B986684138773E94) | | | | **International** | |
| **6** | | | [**National Tartan Day**](http://www.holidayinsights.com/moreholidays/April/national-tartan-day.htm) | | | | **Scottish American** | |
| **13** | | | [**Lailat-al-Miraj**](http://www.essaouira.nu/calendar_lailat_al_miraj.htm) | | | | **Muslim** | |
| **Date** | | | **Diversity Event** | | | | **Related Ethnicity/Faith** | |
| **13-16** | | | [**Bun Pi Mai -New Year**](http://goseasia.about.com/od/laos/a/bun_pi_mai.htm) | | | | **Laotian** | |
| **14** | | | [**Baisakhi**](http://www.baisakhifestival.com/when-is-baisakhi.html)  ***(Sikh New Year)*** | | | | **Sikh** | |
| **19** | | | [**Mahavir Jayanti**](http://www.drikpanchang.com/hindu-saints/mahavir/mahavir-jayanti.html) | | | | **Jain** | |
| **20- 2May** | | | [**Festival of Ridvan**](http://bahai-library.com/walbridge_encyclopedia_ridvan) | | | | **Bahá’í** | |
| **22** | | | [**Earth Day**](https://www.earthday.org/) | | | | **International** | |
| **23-24** | | | [**Holocaust Remembrance Day**](http://www.jewishvirtuallibrary.org/jsource/Judaism/yomhashoah.html)  **(Yom Ha’Shoah)** | | | | **International** | |
| **24** | | | [**Armenian Martyrs’ Day**](http://www.armenian-genocide.org/research.html) | | | | **Armenians** | |
| **27** | | | [**National Day of Silence**](http://www.dayofsilence.org/) | | | | **LGBTQ and Allies** | |
| **30-2May** | | | [**Theravada New Year**](https://www.readthespirit.com/religious-holidays-festivals/buddhist-theravada-new-year-with-sand-and-water/) | | | | **Buddhist** | |
| **May 2017**  **“**[**Asian American and South Pacific Islander Heritage Month**](http://asianpacificheritage.gov/)**”**  **“**[**Jewish American Heritage Month**](https://www.jewishheritagemonth.gov/)**”** | | | | | | | | |
| **Date** | | | **Diversity Event** | | | **Related Ethnicity/Faith** | | |
| **1** | | | [**May Day**](http://iww.org/projects/mayday/origins.shtml)  ***(International Worker’s Day)*** | | | **International** | | |
| [**Orthodox Easter**](http://www.wincalendar.com/Christian-Orthodox-Easter) | | | **Eastern Orthodox** | | |
| [**Beltane’s Day**](http://deoxy.org/time/sabbats/05-04.htm) | | | **Pagan** | | |
| [**Lailat al Bara’s**](http://www.when-is.com/lailat-al-baraa-2018.asp) | | | **Islam** | | |
| **3** | | | [**World Press Freedom Day**](https://www.cute-calendar.com/event/world-press-freedom-day/29646.html) | | | **International** | | |
| [**Lag B’omber**](https://www.myjewishlearning.com/article/lag-baomer/) | | | **Jewish** | | |
| **5** | | | [**Cinco de Mayo**](http://www.mexonline.com/cinco.htm) | | | **USA/Mexico** | | |
| **10** | | | [**Ascension Day**](https://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/us/ascension-day) | | | **Christian** | | |
| **13** | | | [**Mother’s Day**](http://www.dayformothers.com/around-the-world/mexico.html)  ***Mother’s Day (always May 10th in Mexico) is very important for Mexican families.*** | | | **USA** | | |
| **15-15June** | | | [**Ramadan**](http://www.beliefnet.com/Faiths/Islam/Articles/What-is-Ramadan.aspx) | | | **Islam** | | |
| **17** | | | [***International day Against Homophobia***](http://dayagainsthomophobia.org/) | | | **International** | | |
| **20** | | | [**Pentecost**](http://www.patheos.com/blogs/markdroberts/series/what-is-pentecost-why-does-it-matter/) | | | **Christian** | | |
| **21** | | | [**World of cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development**](https://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/un/world-day-cultural-diversity-dialogue) | | | **USA** | | |
| **23** | | | [**Declaration of the Báb**](http://www.bahai.org/the-bab/) | | | **Bahá’í** | | |
| **26** | | | [**Corpus Christi Day**](http://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/us/corpus-christi) | | | **Catholic** | | |
| **Date** | | | **Diversity Event** | | | **Related Ethnicity/Faith** | | |
| **28** | | | [**Memorial Day Holiday**](http://www.usmemorialday.org/backgrnd.html) | | | **USA** | | |
| **29** | | | [**Ascension of** **Baha’u’llah**](http://www.bellaonline.com/articles/art31523.asp) | | | **Bahá’í** | | |
| [**Vesak**](http://www.buddhanet.net/vesak.htm) | | | **Buddhist** | | |
| **June 2017**  **“**[**Lesbian/Gay/Bisexual/Transgender Pride Month**](http://loc.gov/lgbt/about.html)**”** | | | | | | | | |
| **Date** | | | **Diversity Event** | | | **Related Ethnicity/Faith** | | |
| **6** | | | [**Ramadan**](http://www.beliefnet.com/Faiths/Islam/Articles/What-is-Ramadan.aspx) | | | **Islamic** | | |
| **10** | | | [**Lailat-al-Qadir**](https://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/us/laylat-al-qadr) | | | **Muslim** | | |
| [**Race Unity Day**](http://bahai-library.com/pdf/b/buck_celebrations_race_unity.pdf) | | | **Baha’i** | | |
| **12** | | | [**Filipino Independence Day**](http://www.gov.ph/kalayaan/) | | | **Filipino** | | |
| **12** | | | [**Shavuot**](https://www.jewishvirtuallibrary.org/jsource/Judaism/holidayc.html) | | | **Jewish** | | |
| **14** | | | [**Flag Day**](https://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/us/flag-day) | | | **USA** | | |
| **15-17** | | | [**Eid al-Fitr**](http://www.infoplease.com/spot/ramadan1.html) | | | **Islam**  **USA** | | |
| [**Native American Citizenship Day**](http://daysofyear.com/native-american-citizenship-day/) | | | **USA** | | |
| **16** | | | [**Martyrdom of Guru Arjan Dev**](http://www.festivalsofindia.in/guru-arjan-dev-punya-tithi/) | | | **Sikh** | | |
| **17** | | | [**Father’s Day**](http://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/us/fathers-day) | | | **USA** | | |
| **19** | | | [**Juneteenth**](http://www.smithsonianmag.com/history/juneteenth-our-other-independence-day-16340952/?no-ist) | | | **African American** | | |
| **20** | | | [**Summer Solstice**](http://www.wicca-spirituality.com/summer-solstice.html) | | | **Pagan** | | |
| [**World Refugee Day**](http://www.un.org/en/events/refugeeday/) | | | **International** | | |
| **24** | | | [**LGBT Pride Day**](https://seasonsofpride.com/gay-pride-2018/) | | | **LGBTQ and Allies** | | |
| **July 2017** | | | | | | | | |
| **Date** | | | **Diversity Event** | | **Related Ethnicity/Faith** | | | |
| **1** | | | [**Canada day**](https://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/canada/canada-day) **(Fete du Canada)** | | **Canadian** | | | |
| **4** | | | [**Independence Day**](http://usa.usembassy.de/holidays-fourth.htm) | | **USA** | | | |
| **9** | | | [**Martyrdom of Báb**](http://www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/bahai/holydays/martyrdombab.shtml) | | **Bahá’í** | | | |
| **11** | | | [**World Population Day**](http://www.un.org/en/events/populationday/) | | **International** | | | |
| **14** | | | [**Bastille Day**](https://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/france/bastille-day) | | **France** | | | |
| **Date** | | | **Diversity Event** | | **Related Ethnicity/Faith** | | | |
| **18** | | | [**Nelson Mandela International Day**](http://daysofyear.com/nelson-mandela-international-day/) | | **International** | | | |
| **21-22** | | | [**Tisha B’Av**](http://www.jewfaq.org/holidayd.htm) | | **Jewish** | | | |
| **23** | | | [**Birthday of Haile Selassie**](http://www.readthespirit.com/religious-holidays-festivals/birthday-of-haile-selassie-rastafari-celebrate-with-nyabingi-gatherings/) | | **Rastafari** | | | |
| **24** | | | [**Pioneer Day**](https://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/us/pioneer-day) | | **Mormons** | | | |
| **26** | | | [**Disability Independence Day**](https://nationaldaycalendar.com/days-2/national-disability-independence-day-july-26/) | | **USA** | | | |
| [**ADA (American with Disabilities Act)**](https://adata.org/learn-about-ada) **Anniversary** | | **USA** | | | |
| **27** | | | [**Dharma Day**](http://www.beliefnet.com/Faiths/Buddhism/Dharma-Day-A-Universal-Celebration-of-The-Buddhas-Teachings.aspx) | | **Buddhist** | | | |
| **30** | | | [**International Friendship Day**](http://www.un.org/en/events/friendshipday/background.shtml) | | **International** | | | |
| **August 2017** | | | | | | | | |
| **Date** | | **Diversity Event** | | | **Related Ethnicity/Faith** | | | |
| **6** | | [**Hiroshima Day**](http://www.history.com/topics/world-war-ii/bombing-of-hiroshima-and-nagasaki) | | | **Japanese** | | | |
| [**Transfiguration**](https://www.thoughtco.com/when-is-the-transfiguration-of-our-lord-4046365) | | | **Orthodox Christians** | | | |
| **9** | | [**International day of Indigenous people**](http://www.indiacelebrating.com/events/international-day-of-the-world-indigenous-people/) | | | **International** | | | |
| **12** | | [**International youth**](https://peacechild.org/what-is-international-youth-day/) | | | **International** | | | |
| **13-15** | | [**Obon**](http://www.japan-guide.com/e/e2286.html) | | | **Japanese, Buddhist** | | | |
| **15** | | [**Assumption of Mary**](http://catholicism.about.com/od/holydaysandholidays/p/Assumption.htm) | | | **Christian** | | | |
| **16** | | [**Restoration Day**](http://dr1.com/articles/history_1.shtml) | | | **Dominican Republic** | | | |
| **17** | | [**Marcus Garvey Day**](http://hiphopandpolitics.com/2013/08/17/today-is-marcus-garvey-day-the-first-black-holiday-we-remember-him/) | | | **Rastafarians, Jamaicans** | | | |
| **21-25** | | [**Eid-al-Adha**](http://islam.about.com/od/hajj/a/adha.htm) (Islamic festival) | | | **Islam** | | | |
| **23** | | [**International Day for the Remembrance of the Slave Trade**](https://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/un/international-day-remembrance-of-slave-trade-and-its-abolition) | | | **Caribbean** | | | |
| **25** | | [**Hungry Ghost Festival**](https://www.chinahighlights.com/festivals/hungry-ghost-festival.htm) | | | **Buddhist** | | | |
| [**Ullambana**](http://festivals.iloveindia.com/ullambana/ullambana-date.html) | | | **Chinese** | | | |
| **26** | | [**Women’s Equality Day**](http://www.nwhp.org/resources/commemorations/womens-equality-day/) | | | **USA** | | | |
| [**Raksha Bandham**](http://www.raksha-bandhan.com/raksha-bandhan-in-history.html) | | | **Hindu** | | | |
| **September 2017**  **“**[**National Hispanic-Latino Heritage Month**](http://hispanicheritagemonth.gov/) **(September 15th – October 15th)”** | | | | | | | | |
| **Date** | | **Diversity Event** | | | **Related Ethnicity/Faith** | | | |
| **2** | | [**Krishna Janmashtami**](http://www.drikpanchang.com/dashavatara/lord-krishna/krishna-janmashtami-date-time.html) | | | **Hindu** | | | |
| **Date** | | **Diversity Event** | | | **Related Ethnicity/Faith** | | | |
| **3** | | [**Labor Day**](http://www.dol.gov/laborday/history.htm) | | | **USA** | | | |
| **8** | | [**International Literacy Day**](http://www.holidayscalendar.com/event/international-literacy-day/) | | | **International** | | | |
| **6-15** | | [**Paryushana Parava**](http://www.pbs.org/wnet/religionandethics/2001/08/24/august-24-2001-paryushana-parva/19777/) | | | **Jain** | | | |
| **9** | | [**Patriot Day**](http://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/us/patriot-day)  ***(in memory of those who died on 9/11)*** | | | **USA** | | | |
| **9-11** | | [**Rosh Hashanah**](http://www.jewfaq.org/holiday2.htm)  **(New Year)** | | | **Jewish** | | | |
| **11** | | [**Enkutatash**](http://www.tourismethiopia.org/pages/detail/detailfestival.asp) **(New Year)** | | | **Ethiopia/Rastafarians** | | | |
| **11** | | [**Grandparents Day**](http://grandparentsday.org/) | | | **USA** | | | |
| **12** | | [**Ganesh Chaturthi**](http://hinduism.about.com/od/festivalsholidays/a/ganeshchaturthi.htm) | | | **Hindu** | | | |
| [**Muharram start**](https://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/us/muharram-new-year) | | | **Islamic** | | | |
| **15** | | [**Moon Festival**](http://www.chinatravel.com/focus/mid-autumn-festival/) | | | **Vietnam, Hong Kong, China, Taiwan** | | | |
| [**Clean Monday**](https://www.letsdoitworld.org/about/overview/world-cleanup-day-2018/) | | | **International** | | | |
| **16** | | [**Mexican Independence Day**](http://www.inside-mexico.com/featureindep.htm) | | | **Mexico** | | | |
| **17** | | [**Constitution Day**](http://www.constitutionday.com/) **and** [**Citizenship Day**](http://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/us/constitution-citizenship-day) | | | **USA** | | | |
| **18-19** | | [**Yom Kippur**](https://www.jewishvirtuallibrary.org/jsource/Judaism/holiday4.html)  **(Day of Atonement)** | | | **Jewish** | | | |
| **20-21** | | [**Ashura**](http://www.ashura.com/) | | | **Islam** | | | |
| **21** | | [**International Day of Peace**](http://www.peaceoneday.org/) | | | **International** | | | |
| **22** | | [**Autumn Equinox**](http://www.almanac.com/content/first-day-seasons) | | | **Pagan** | | | |
| **23-30** | | [**Sukkot**](http://www.jewfaq.org/holiday5.htm) | | | **Jewish** | | | |
| **24** | | [**Our Lady of Mercedes Day**](http://aglobalworld.com/holidays-around-the-world/dominican-republic-mercedes-day/) | | | **Dominican Republic** | | | |
| **30-2 Oct** | | [**Shemini Atzeret**](http://www.jewfaq.org/holiday6.htm) | | | **Jewish** | | | |
| **October 2017**  **“**[**National Disability Employment Awareness Month**](http://www.dol.gov/odep/topics/ndeam/)**”**  **“**[**Filipino American History Month**](http://fanhs-national.org/filam/october-is-filipino-american-history-month/)**”**  **“**[**LGBT History Month**](http://www.glsen.org/article/lgbt-history-month)**”** | | | | | | | | |
| **Date** | | **Diversity Event** | | | **Related Ethnicity/Faith** | | | |
| **1-2** | | [**Simchat Torah**](https://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/us/simchat-torah) | | | **Jewish** | | | |
| **2** | | [**Mohandas K. Gandhi Birthday**](http://mkgandhi.org/) | | | **Indian** | | | |
| [**Simchat Torah**](http://www.chabad.org/holidays/JewishNewYear/template_cdo/aid/4464/jewish/Simchat-Torah-101.htm) | | | **Jewish** | | | |
| **Date** | | **Diversity Event** | | | **Related Ethnicity/Faith** | | | |
| **3** | | [**Muharram**](http://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/us/muharram-new-year)  **(Islamic New Year)** | | | **Islamic** | | | |
| **5** | | [**Teachers Days**](https://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/un/world-teachers-day) | | | **International** | | | |
| **8** | | [**Canadian Thanksgiving**](http://www.holidayscalendar.com/event/canadian-thanksgiving/) | | | **Canada** | | | |
| [**Indigenous People’s Day**](http://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/us/native-americans-day)  **(Native American Day)** | | | **Various Native American Cultures** | | | |
| **9-17** | | [**Navaratri**](http://www.hinduismtoday.com/modules/smartsection/item.php?itemid=3073) | | | **Hindu** | | | |
| **9** | | [**Muharram Ends**](http://www.when-is.com/al-hijra-muharram-2018.asp) | | |  | | | |
| **10** | | [**Columbus Day**](http://www.history.com/topics/columbus-day) | | | **USA** | | | |
| **11** | | [**Coming Out Day**](http://www.hrc.org/resources/entry/national-coming-out-day) | | | **USA** | | | |
| **12** | | [**Dia de la Raza**](http://gosouthamerica.about.com/cs/southamerica/a/CulDiaRaza.htm) | | | **Latin American, Mexican** | | | |
| **17** | | [**International day for the Eradication of Poverty**](https://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/un/international-day-for-poverty-eradication) | | | **International** | | | |
| **19** | | [**Dussehra**](http://www.ishafoundation.org/blog/lifestyle/dussehra-vijayadashami/) | | | **Hindu** | | | |
| **20** | | [**Celebration of Sri Guru Granth Sahib**](https://newsblaze.com/world/south-asia/sri-guru-granth-sahibs-tercentenary-celebrations_6962/) | | | **Sikh** | | | |
| [**Birth of the Bab**](http://www.beliefnet.com/Faiths/Bahai/The-Birth-Of-The-Bab.aspx) | | | **Baha’i** | | | |
| **24** | | [**United Nations Day**](https://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/un/united-nations-day) | | | **United Nations** | | | |
| **31** | | [**Reformation Day**](https://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/germany/reformation-day) | | | **Christian** | | | |
| **31** | | [**Halloween**](http://www.history.com/topics/halloween/history-of-halloween) | | | **USA** | | | |
| **31/1** | | [**Samhain**](http://inventors.about.com/od/sstartinventions/a/Samhain.htm) | | | **Celtic/Wicca/Pagan** | | | |
| **November 2017**  **“**[**National American Indian (Native American) Heritage Month**](http://www.loc.gov/law/help/commemorative-observations/american-indian.php)**”** | | | | | | | | |
| **Date** | **Diversity Event** | | | **Related Ethnicity/Faith** | | | | |
| **1** | [**All Saints Day**](http://www.churchyear.net/allsaints.html) | | | **Anglican & Roman Catholic** | | | | |
| **2** | [**Dia de los Muertos**](http://www.history.com/topics/halloween-around-the-world)  ***(All Souls Day)*** | | | **Mexico, Latin America, Spain** | | | | |
| **7** | [**Diwali**](http://www.diwalifestival.org/)  ***(Festival of Lights)*** | | | **Hindu, Jainism, Sikh and Buddhist** | | | | |
| [***Election Day***](https://www.almanac.com/content/when-election-day) | | | **USA** | | | | |
| **9** | [**Kristallnacht**](http://daysofyear.com/kristallnacht-day/) | | | **Jewish** | | | | |
| **11** | [**Veteran’s Day**](http://www.va.gov/opa/vetsday/) | | | **USA** | | | | |
| **12** | [**Birth of Baha’u’llah**](http://birth-of-baha-u-llah.123holiday.net/) | | | **Bahá’í** | | | | |
| **Date** | **Diversity Event** | | | **Related Ethnicity/Faith** | | | | |
| **16** | [**International Day of Tolerance**](http://www.un.org/en/events/toleranceday/index.shtml) | | | **International** | | | | |
| **20** | [**Transgender Day of Remembrance**](http://www.glaad.org/tdor) | | | **USA** | | | | |
| **21** | [**Eid Milah Un Nabi**](https://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/india/milad-un-nabi) | | | **Muslims** | | | | |
| **22** | [**Thanksgiving**](http://usa.usembassy.de/holidays-thanksgiving.htm) | | | **USA/Interfaith** | | | | |
| **23** | [**Guru Nanak Dev Ji’s Birthday**](http://www.sikh-history.com/sikhhist/gurus/nanak1.html) | | | **Sikh, Hindu** | | | | |
| **25** | [**Feast of Christ the King**](https://www.thoughtco.com/when-is-the-feast-of-christ-the-king-541624) | | | **Catholic** | | | | |
| [**Mawlid Al-Nabi**](http://www.ibtimes.com/what-mawlid-how-muslims-celebrate-prophet-muhammads-birthday-during-rabi-al-awwal-2232361) | | | **Islamic** | | | | |
| **26** | [**Day of Covenant**](http://pickensbahai.org/day-covenant/) | | | |  | | --- | | **Baha’i** | | | | | |
| **December 2017** | | | | | | | | |
| **Date** | **Diversity Event** | | | **Related Ethnicity/Faith** | | | | |
| **1** | [**World AIDS Day**](https://www.worldaidsday.org) | | | **International** | | | | |
| **2-10** | [**Hanukkah**](http://www.history.com/topics/hanukkah) | | | **Jewish** | | | | |
| **2-24** | [**Advent begins**](http://www.crivoice.org/cyadvent.html) | | | **Catholic** | | | | |
| **8** | [**Bodhi Day**](http://doityourself.com/stry/bodhi-day) | | | **Buddhist** | | | | |
| **8** | [**Feast of the Immaculate Conception**](http://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/us/immaculate-conception) | | | **Catholic** | | | | |
| **10** | [**International Human Rights day**](http://www.un.org/en/events/humanrightsday/index.shtml) | | | **International** | | | | |
| **12** | [**Milad un Nabi**](http://www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/islam/holydays/miladunnabi.shtml)  ***Birth of the Prophet Muhammad)*** | | | **Mexico/Catholic** | | | | |
| [**Day of Our Lady of Guadalupe**](http://www.catholic.org/about/guadalupe.php) | | | **Islam – Sunni** | | | | |
| **13** | [**St. Lucia’s Day**](https://www.whychristmas.com/cultures/sweden.shtml) | | | **Christians in Rome** | | | | |
| **15** | [**Bill of rights Day**](http://www.uscourts.gov/about-federal-courts/educational-resources/annual-observances/bill-rights-day) | | | **USA** | | | | |
| **16-24** | [**Simbang Gabi**](http://www.rcam.org/others/910-guidelines-on-the-celebration-of-simbang-gabi-in-the-archdiocese-of-manila) **(Christmas)** | | | **Filipino/Catholic** | | | | |
| **16-24** | [**Las Posadas**](http://hispanic-culture-online.com/las-posadas.html) | | | **Mexico** | | | | |
| **21** | [**Winter Solstice/Yule**](http://paganwiccan.about.com/od/yulethelongestnight/p/Yule_History.htm) | | | **Pagan** | | | | |
| **25** | [**Christmas**](http://www.thehistoryofchristmas.com/christmas_history.htm) | | | **All Christian** | | | | |
| **26** | [**Boxing Day**](https://www.whychristmas.com/customs/boxingday.shtml) | | | **UK, Canada Ireland, Australia, New Zealand, Hong Kong, and South Africa** | | | | |
| **26- 1jan** | [**Kwanzaa**](http://www.history.com/topics/holidays/kwanzaa-history) | | | **African American** | | | | |
| **29** | [**Wounded Knee Day**](http://www.history.com/topics/native-american-history/wounded-knee) | | | **USA** | | | | |

**\*Jewish holidays begin at sunset the night before, and go to sunset of the following day.**

**\*\*Muslim holidays are based on actual sighting of the moon and therefore the day may vary.**