

SEPTEMBER

- 2 Vietnamese Independence Day
- 7 Labor Day
- 11 Day of Remembrance
- 15-Oct 15 Hispanic Heritage Month
- 16 Mexican Independence Day
- 17 Constitution Day
- 18-20 Rosh Hashanah - Jewish New Year: 5779 ☆
- 19 Oktoberfest
- 21 International Day of Peace
- 22 Autumn Equinox
- 27 Yom Kippur ☆
- 30 San Geronimo Day

OCTOBER

Disability Employment Awareness Month

Diversity Awareness Month

- 1 Harvest Moon Festival (Chinese)
- 1 International Day for the Elderly
- 2 Gandhi's Birthday
- 2 National Diversity Day
- 2-9 Sukkot (Feast of Tabernacles) ☆
- 9 Shemini Atzeret ☆
- 10 Simchat Torah ☆
- 10 World Mental Health Day
- 11 National Coming Out Day (LGBT)
- 11 International Day of the Girl
- 12 Dia de la Raza (Mexican)
- 12 US Indigenous Peoples' Day
- 12 Thanksgiving Day (Canada)
- 12 Columbus Day
- 16 National Boss Day
- 18 Birth of Baha'u'llah (Baha'i)
- 25 Dussehra ☸
- 28 Eid Milad-un-Nabi ☞
- 31 Halloween

NOVEMBER

National Native American Heritage Month

- 1 Liberty Day
- 1 Daylight Saving Time ends
- 2 Dia De Los Muertos (Mexican)
- 5 Guy Fawkes Day (English)
- 9 Cambodian Independence Day
- 11 Veterans Day
- 13 World Kindness Day
- 14 Diwali ☸ Check diversitycouncil.org for info on local celebrations
- 16 International Day of Tolerance
- 19 Discovery Day (Puerto Rico)
- 20 Universal Children's Day
- 20 Transgender Day of Remembrance

- 25 International Day for Elimination of Violence Against Women
- 25 Bosnian National Day
- 26 Thanksgiving Day

DECEMBER

Universal Human Rights Month

- 1 Rosa Parks Day
- 2 Independence Day (Laos)
- 2 International Day for the Abolition of Slavery
- 3 International Day of Persons with Disabilities
- 7 Pearl Harbor Day
- 10 Human Rights Day
- 10-18 Hanukkah ☆
- 12 Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe
- 13 Aga Khan's Birthday (Islam Ismaili)
- 15 Bill of Rights Day
- 18 International Migrants Day
- 21 Winter Solstice
- 25 Christmas Day ☞
- 26 Death of the Prophet Zarathustra (Zoroastrian)
- 26-Jan. 1 Kwanzaa (African American)
- 31 Hogmanay (Scotland)

Key:

- ☆ Jewish holidays
- ☞ Christian holidays
- ✕ Orthodox Christian holidays
- ☞ Muslim holidays
- ☸ Hindu holidays
- ☞ Buddhist holidays

Notes: the exact dates for Muslim holidays depend on sighting of the crescent moon. Jewish holidays begin on sundown of the previous day.

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Multicultural Calendar 2020



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inclusive communities where all
individuals are empowered,

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Welcome. We've been waiting for you.

JANUARY

- 1 New Year's Day
- 1 Sudanese Independence Day
- 2 Bodhi Day ☸
- 7 Christmas ✠
- 13 St. Knut's Day (Swedish/Finnish)
- 14 New Year ✠
- 15 Makar Sankranti ☸
- 18 Kitchen God Celebration (Chinese)
- 20 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
Local celebrations all week, including 'We Have a Dream' Breakfast, rally, march, birthday party, concert, commemorative church service and more. Details at diversitycouncil.org
- 25 Lunar New Year: Year of the Rat
- 29 Vasant Panchami ☸

FEBRUARY

Black History Month

- 1 National Freedom Day—13th Amendment
- 2 Groundhog Day
- 14 Valentine's Day
- 15 Nirvana Day
- 19 Presidents Day
- 21 International Mother Tongue Day
- 21 Shivratri ☸
- 25 Shrove Tuesday/Pancake Day/Mardi Gras ✠
- 26 Ash Wednesday ✠

MARCH

Women's History Month

- 1 Bosnian Independence Day
- 1 St. David's Day
- 2 Clean Monday - Great Lent begins ✠
- 6 World Day of Prayer
- 8 International Women's Day
- 8 Daylight Saving Time begins
- 9-10 Purim ✠
- 9-10 Holi ☸
- 11 Lithuanian Independence Day
- 17 St. Patrick's Day
- 19 Spring Equinox
- 19-20 Naw Ruz (Baha'i/Zoroastrian/Afghan New Year)
- 21 International Day for Elimination of Racial Discrimination
- 21 Harmony Day (Australia)
- 22 Emancipation Day (Puerto Rico)
- 26 Prince Kuhio Day (Hawaii)
- 28 Zarathustra's birthday (Zoroastrian)

APRIL

Multicultural Communications Month

- 1 April Fools Day
- 2 World Autism Awareness Day
- 5 Palm Sunday ✠
- 6 Mahavir Jayanti (Jain)
- 8 Buddha's Birthday ☸
- 8-16 Pesach/Passover ✠
- 10 Good Friday ✠
- 10 Good/Holy Friday ✠
- 12 Easter ✠
- 13 Vaisakhi (Sikh/Hindu)
- 13-15 Songkran (Thai/Cambodian New Year)
- 13-15 Boun Pinay (Lao New Year)
- 19-May 1 Festival of Ridvan (Baha'i)
- 19 Easter/Pascha ✠
- 20 Yom HaShoah (Holocaust Remembrance Day)
- 22 Earth Day
- 22 Administrative Professionals Day
- 23 Daughter/Son to Work Day
- 23 Ramadan begins ☾
- 23 Arbor Day
- 30 Walpurgis Night (Swedish)

MAY

Asian/Pacific Heritage Month

National Older Peoples Month

- 1 May Day
- 3 World Press Freedom Day
- 5 Cinco de Mayo (Mexican)
- 7 National Day of Prayer
- 7 Wesak (Buddha Day) ☸
- 10 Mother's Day
- 16 Armed Forces Day
- 17 Syttende Mai (Norwegian Independence Day)
- 17 Day Against Homophobia
- 18 Victoria Day (Canada)
- 19 Laylat-al-Qadr ☾
- 21 World Day for Cultural Diversity
- 23 Eid-ul-Fitr (Ramadan ends) ☾
- 25 African Liberation Day
- 25 Memorial Day
- 26 National Sorry Day (Australia)
- 27 Ascension of Baha'u'llah (Baha'i)
- 28-30 Shavuot ✠
- 30 Joan of Arc Day (France)
- 31 Pentecost ✠
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JUNE

Pride Month

- 6 National Day (Sweden)
- 14 Flag Day
- 19 Juneteenth (African-American)
- 20 World Refugee Day
- 20 Midsummer's Day
- 21 Father's Day
- 23 Dia de San Juan (Puerto Rico)
- 24 St. Jean Baptiste Day (Quebec)
- 27 Multiculturalism Day (Canada)
- 28 Stonewall Rebellion Day (LGBT)

JULY

- 1 Somali Independence Day
- 1 Canada Day
- 3 Emancipation Day
- 4 Independence Day
- 4 Wassana (Dharma Day) ☸
- 6 Dalai Lama's Birthday
- 9 South Sudan Independence Day
- 8 Martyrdom of the Bab (Baha'i)
- 11 Imamat Day ☾
- 14 Bastille Day (France)
- 18 Nelson Mandela's Birthday
- 24 Pioneer Day (Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints)
- 27-Aug. 2 Olmsted County Fair
- 28-Aug. 2 Day of Hajj ☾
- 29 Tish'a B'Av ✠

AUGUST

- 6 Hiroshima Day: Peace Lantern Floating Ceremony, dusk, Silver Lake Park
- 9 International Day of the World's Indigenous People
- 11 Janmashtami ☸
- 12 International Youth Day
- 12 Eid-ul-Adha ☾
- 16-23 Paryushan Parva (Jain)
- 19 Afghan Independence Day
- 21 1st Muharram - Islamic New Year: 1439 ☾
- 23 International Day for Remembrance and Abolition of the Slave Trade
- 28-29 Ashura ☾
- 29-30 Greek Fest. Live bands, dancing, Greek food & desserts, at the Greek Orthodox Church.