

# January 2025

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Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
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			New Year's Day  Emancipation  Proclamation			Louis Braille's Birthday
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	Feast of the Epiphany	Orthodox Christmas Day				
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
		Orthodox New Year Makar Sankranti				
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
	Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day Makar Sankranti (CCV Centers open/EH)					
26	27	28	29	30	31	
Lailat al Miraj	International Day of Commemoration		Lunar New Year			

Notes



# February 2025

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
			Ash Wednesday			
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
		International Day of Women and Girls in Science				Nirvana Day
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
	President's Day (CCV Centers Open)			World Day of Social Justice		
23	24	25	26	27	28	
					Ramadan Begins at Sundown	

Notes

Black History Month: February was chosen to celebrate African American History because it holds the birthdays of two men who helped eliminate slavery, Frederick Douglass, and President Abraham Lincoln.

Ramadan (February 28 to March 29): the start of Islam's sacred month. During this time, Muslims abstain from eating and drinking from dawn until dusk.



# **March 2025**

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
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		Mardi Gras				International Women's Day
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
					Holi	
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
	St. Patrick's Day				International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination	
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
						Ramadan Ends at Sundown
20	21					Eid al-Fitr
30	31 Transgender Day of Visibility					

Women's History Month: honors the role of women in American history.

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# **April 2025**

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
		1	2	3	4	5
			World Autism Awareness Day			
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	World Health Day					Passover Begins at Sundown
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
	Vaisakhi					
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Easter Orthodox Easter Passover Ends		Earth Day	Yom HaShoah			
27	28	29	30			

Notes

**<u>Deaf History Month:</u>** Founding of Gallaudet University & American School of the Deaf

<u>Arab American Heritage Month</u>: to recognize the culture, achievements, and contributions of Arab Americans.



### **May 2025**

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
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4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	Cinco de Mayo  Buddha's  Birthday					
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Mother's Day	Vesak (Buddha Day)					International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia, and Biphobia
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	Malcolm X's Birthday					
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
	Memorial Day (CCV Centers Closed/Holiday)					

Notes

<u>Mental Health Awareness Month</u> – raises awareness for those living with mental and behavioral issues and support families/communities who are impacted by mental illness.

<u>Jewish American Heritage Month</u> – honors American Jews and their contributions to the US throughout history <u>Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month</u> - commemorates people with Asian and Pacific Island ancestry and their contribution to the United States.



### **June 2025**

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Shavuot Begins at Sundown		Shavuot Ends	The Hajj Begins		Eid al-Adha Begins	Eid al-Adha Ends
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	The Hajj Ends			Loving Day		
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
	Martyrdom of Guru Arjan Dev Sahib			Juneteenth		
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
Father's Day					Helen Keller's Birthday <u>#</u>	
29	30					

<u>LGBTQIA+ Pride Month</u>: Pride Month recognizes LGBTQIA+ people and the effect they've had on the world. June was selected to commemorate the Stonewall Riots, a series of gay liberation protests in 1969.

<u>Caribbean American Heritage Month</u>: This month recognizes those of Caribbean descent and the impact their accomplishments have had throughout American history.



# **July 2025**

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
		1	2	3	4	5
					Independence Day (CCV Centers are Closed/H)	
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
					Nelson Mandela International Day	
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
				Pioneer Day		
27	28	29	30	31		

Notes

<u>Disability Pride Month</u>: a celebration to commemorate the signing of the Americans with Disabilities Act into law on July 26, 1990. The month brings people and communities together to demonstrate resilience and acceptance.

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# August 2025

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
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International Day of Friendship						International Day of the World's Indigenous People
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
		International Youth Day			Feast of the Assumption	
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
		Women's Equality Day Ganesh Chaturthi				
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Notes



# September 2025

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
	1	2	3	4	5	6
	(CCV Centers Closed/H)			Mawlid al- Nabi begins at sundown		
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	International Literacy Day					
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
	Autumnal Equinox Rosh Hashanah begins			HeForShe Day		
28	29	30				

 $\underline{\textbf{National Recovery Month}} : \textbf{This awareness month seeks to educate Americans on treatment and health services for individuals with substance use disorder.}$ 

<u>National Hispanic Heritage Month (September 15 to October 15):</u> This month honors Hispanic and Latino Americans for their contributions to U.S. culture.



# October 2025

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
			1	2	3	4
			Yom Kippur			
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	Sukkot Begins at Sundown				World Mental Health Day National Coming Out Day	
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	Indigenous People's Day (CCV Centers Open/FH)			Spirit Day		
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
	Diwali Begins					
26	27	28	29	30	31	
					Halloween	

**Global Diversity Awareness Month:** An awareness with the goal of promoting respect toward various cultures.

<u>National Disability Employment Awareness Month</u>: This awareness month aims to advocate for individuals with disabilities and their inclusion in the workforce.

<u>Breast Cancer Awareness Month</u>: Breast cancer is a leading cause of death in women; this month seeks to boost awareness of the disease.



# November 2025

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
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						All Saints Day/ Dia de Los Muertos
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			Guru Nanak Ji's Birthday 🏯			
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
		Veteran's Day				
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
International Day for Tolerance				Transgender Day of Remembrance		
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
				Thanksgiving (CCV Centers Closed)	(CCV Centers Closed)	
30						

<u>Native American Heritage Month</u>: This month celebrates indigenous peoples and their culture, traditions, and customs past and present in the United States.

<u>Movember</u>: A month-long fundraiser that seeks to raise awareness for men's issues like suicide as well as prostate and testicular cancer.



### December 2025

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
	1	2	3	4	5	6
	World AIDS Day		International Day of Persons with Disabilities			
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
			International Human Rights Day			
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Hanukkah Begins		Las Posadas Begins				
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Winter Solstice or Yule	Hanukkah Ends		Las Posadas Ends	Christmas Day (CCV Centers Closed)	Kwanzaa Begins	
28	29	30	31			
			New Year's Eve			

Hanukkah (December 14 - 22): An 8-day Jewish holiday marking the liberation of Jews from rule by their Greek - Syrian oppressors in the Maccabean Revolt and the restoration of their religious freedom.

<u>Las Posadas (December 16 – 24)</u>: A religious festival commemorating Mary and Joseph's efforts to find an inn and the events associated with the birth of Jesus. Primarily celebrated in Latin American countries, Mexico, and parts of the U.S.

<u>Kwanzaa (December 26 – January 1):</u> A seven-day African American and Pan-African celebration emphasizing communal values and heritage, encouraging conversations about the diaspora and its cultural contributions.

# An Incomplete Inclusive Calendar of Dates with Historical, Interfaith, or Cultural Significance 2025

#### **January**

January 1 – Emancipation Proclamation: President Lincoln declared all individuals held in slavery free on this day in 1863. (CCV Centers are closed)

January 4 – Louis Braille's birthday: he was a French educator who created a reading and writing system known as "braille" for the visually impaired.

January 6 – Feast of the Epiphany: this Christian feast day celebrates the star leading the three wise men to baby Jesus closing the Christmas season.

January 7 - Orthodox Christmas Day: A special day when many Eastern Orthodox Christians celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ.

January 14 – Orthodox New Year: Also known as the Julian New Year, it's a time for Eastern Orthodox communities to celebrate the start of their new year.

January 14 – Makar Sankranti: Hindu festival dedicated to the god of the sun, Surya.

January 20 – Martin Luther King Jr. Day: celebrates one of the best-known civil rights activists, MLK Jr. (CCV Centers Open. Floating holiday.)

January 26 – Lailat al Miraj: This Muslim holy day celebrates Muhammad's pilgrimage from Mecca to Jerusalem. When Muhammad arrived, he ascended into Heaven.

January 27 – International Day of Commemoration in Memory of Victims of the Holocaust: a United Nations holiday that remembers the approximately 6 million Jews murdered during World War II.

January 29 – Lunar New Year: This festival marks the start of the new year in the lunar calendar used in East Asia, Southeast Asia and elsewhere.

#### **February**

Black History Month: February was chosen to celebrate African American History because it holds the birthdays of two men who helped eliminate slavery: Frederick Douglass and President Abraham Lincoln.

February 11 - International Day of Women and Girls in Science: A day to recognize and celebrate the critical role women and girls play in science and technology, aiming for greater equity in these fields.

February 15 – Nirvana Day: an annual festival that remembers the death of the Buddha after reaching nirvana; also called Parinirvana.

February 20 - World Day of Social Justice: A day to focus on fairness and equality, advocating for social justice issues like poverty, unemployment, and human rights.

February 28 to March 29 – Ramadan: the start of Islam's sacred month — during this time Muslims abstain from eating and drinking from dawn until dusk.

#### March

Women's History Month: honors the role of women in American history.

March 4 - Mardi Gras: A lively festival known for parades and costumes, traditionally celebrated before the Christian season of Lent begins.

March 5 – Ash Wednesday: a day of prayer and fasting that begins the Christian season of Lent.

March 8 – International Women's Day: A Day highlighting the political, social, cultural, and economic achievements of women.

March 14 – Holi: A Hindu festival of colors celebrating the arrival of spring and the triumph of good over evil, marked by joyful gatherings and color-throwing.

March 17 – St. Patrick's Day: feast day of a Catholic saint who inspires cultural and religious celebrations around the world.

March 21 – International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination: A day focused on combating racial discrimination and promoting unity and equal opportunity for all.

March 29 – Eid al-Fitr: Muslims celebrate the end of Ramadan (month long fasting) with a feast beginning at sundown of the first day and ending at sundown on the second day.

March 31 - Transgender Day of Visibility: A day to honor the transgender and non-binary communities, celebrating their resilience while also raising awareness about the discrimination they still face.

#### **April**

April 2 – World Autism Awareness Day: raises awareness for those with autism that seek to improve their lives and the acceptance of them in society.

April 7 - World Health Day: A day to focus on global health issues, advocating for equal access to healthcare services for everyone, everywhere.

April 12 – Passover: A Jewish holiday commemorating the liberation of the Israelites from Egyptian slavery, marked by special meals and rituals.

April 13 - Vaisakhi: An important festival in the Sikh and Hindu calendars, celebrating the start of the harvest season and the Sikh New Year.

April 20 - Orthodox Easter (Pascha). It is a joyous celebration to celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus Christ.

April 20 – Easter: A significant Christian holiday celebrating the resurrection of Jesus Christ, often marked by gatherings, feasts, and traditions like egg hunts, recognized widely across Western cultures.

April 22 - Earth Day: holiday that applauds the planet we live on and all it does for us; Earth Day is observed by more than 192 nations.

April 23 – Yom HaShoah: Holocaust Remembrance Day marks the anniversary of the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising.

#### May

Mental Health Awareness Month: raises awareness for those living with mental and behavioral issues. This month also seeks to support families or communities who are impacted by mental illness.

Jewish American Heritage Month: honors American Jews and their contributions to the United States throughout history.

Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month: commemorates people with Asian and Pacific Island ancestry and their contribution to the United States.

May 5 - Cinco de Mayo: Mexican-American holiday that celebrates Mexico's defeat of the French Army.

May 5 – Buddha's Birthday: A celebration of the Buddha's birthday, and for some Buddhists, a day that also marks his enlightenment.

May 12 - Vesak (Buddha Day): A significant day for Buddhists, commemorating the birth, enlightenment, and death of Buddha, usually marked by prayer and meditation.

May 17 – International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia, and Biphobia: this day seeks to raise awareness for the rights of LGBTQ+ individuals world-wide.

May 19 – Malcolm X's Birthday: well-known Muslim minister and civil rights activist, who was assassinated in 1965.

May 27 - Memorial Day: A Day commemorating the U.S. military personnel who fought and died in service to our country. (CCV Centers are closed)

#### <u>June</u>

LGBTQIA+ Pride Month: Pride Month recognizes LGBTQIA+ people and the effect they've had on the world. June was selected to commemorate the Stonewall Riots, a series of gay liberation protests in 1969.

Caribbean American Heritage Month: This month recognizes those of Caribbean descent and the impact their accomplishments have had throughout American history.

June 1 - 3 - Shavuot: This holiday celebrates the giving of the Torah on Mount Sinai and a grain harvest.

June 2 – Indian Citizenship Act of 1924: This act granted Native Americans born in the U.S. citizenship; they received the right to vote in 1957.

June 4 – 9 – The Hajj: This day begins the annual pilgrimage to Mecca that all Muslims must take once in their lives.

June 6 - 7 - Eid al-Adha: One of the holiest days in Islam, Eid al-Adha commemorates Ibrahim's (Abraham's) willingness to sacrifice his son for God, marked by prayers, charity, and community gatherings.

June 12 – Loving Day: This day is the anniversary of the court decision that first legalized interracial marriage.

June 16 - Martyrdom of Guru Arjan Dev Sahib: A Day observed by Sikhs to celebrate the first martyr in their faith.

June 19 – Juneteenth: This day commemorates the effective end of slavery in the United States, when enslaved Black Americans in Galveston, TX learned of the Emancipation Proclamation (over two years after it was originally issued).

June 27 – Al-Hijri: this day marks the start of the Muslim New Year.

#### July

July 4 – Independence Day: Marking the establishment of the United States and the American colonies' Declaration of Independence from Great Britain. (CCV Centers are closed.)

July 18 - Nelson Mandela International Day: A global observance to honor Mandela's legacy, encouraging individual and collective actions to fight injustice and promote social equality.

July 24 – Pioneer Day: This Utah state holiday marks the arrival of LDS church founder Brigham Young to the Salt Lake area.

#### August

August 3 - International Day of Friendship: A United Nations-recognized day that celebrates friendships across borders and cultures, fostering global unity and understanding.

August 9 - International Day of the World's Indigenous People: This day was created by the UN to celebrate the culture of indigenous people on a global scale.

August 12 - International Youth Day: A day to spotlight the energy, initiatives, and aspirations of young people worldwide while discussing the unique challenges they face in different cultural contexts.

August 15 - Feast of the Assumption: This Roman Catholic feast day marks the entry of the mother Mary into Heaven (body and soul).

August 26 - Lord Krishna's Birthday: This day is the birthday of one of the most popular deities in the Hindu faith. Lord Krishna is also known as Janmashtami, and his birthday is celebrated with a festival.

August 26 - Women's Equality Day: Commemorating the adoption of the 19th Amendment in the U.S., granting women the right to vote, and sparking conversations on the ongoing fight for gender equality globally.

August 26 - Ganesh Chaturthi: This Hindu festival celebrates Lord Ganesha's birth.

#### **September**

September 15 to October 15 – National Hispanic Heritage Month: This month honors Hispanic and Latino Americans for their contributions to U.S. culture.

National Recovery Month: This awareness month seeks to educate Americans on treatment and health services for individuals with substance use disorder.

September 1 – Labor Day: A Day to recognize the labor movement and honor the work and contributions of laborers in the United States.

(CCV Centers are closed.)

September 4 - Mawlid al-Nabi: Commemorating the birth of the Islamic Prophet Muhammad, this day is an opportunity to explore the rich diversity within Islamic traditions and their global impact.

September 8 - International Literacy Day: A day highlighting the importance of literacy as a human right while acknowledging the varied literacy challenges across different cultures and communities.

September 22 - Autumnal Equinox: This date marks a variety of religious observances across the globe.

September 22 - 24 – Rosh Hashanah: The Jewish New Year, a day to reflect and renew, providing a space to discuss Jewish traditions and their contributions to global culture.

September 25 - HeForShe: This movement was started by the UN with the goal of promoting gender equality

#### **October**

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National Disability Employment Awareness Month: This awareness month aims to advocate for individuals with disabilities and their inclusion in the workforce.

Breast Cancer Awareness Month: Breast cancer is a leading cause of death in women; this month seeks to boost awareness of the disease.

October 1 – Yom Kippur: This is the holiest day of the year in the Jewish faith. The central themes of Yom Kippur are atonement and repentance.

October 10 – World Mental Health Day: a day that advocates for mental health awareness and education; on this day, you can support the efforts by reflecting on your own biases regarding mental health and advocating against social stigma related to it.

October 6 – 13 – Sukkot: A Torah-commanded holiday celebrated for seven days which commemorates the 40 years that Jews spent in the desert after escaping slavery in Egypt.

October 13 – Indigenous People's Day: This day honors the indigenous people of North America. (CCV Centers Open. Floating holiday.)

October 16 – Spirit Day: The third Thursday in October is designated to show support for LGBTQIA+ youth and their families. People participate by wearing purple and speaking out against bullying and bias.

October 20 – Diwali: A 5-day festival of lights celebrated by Hindus, Sikhs, and Jains. It celebrates the triumph of light over darkness, knowledge over ignorance, and good over evil.

#### November

Native American Heritage Month: This month celebrates indigenous peoples and their culture, traditions, and customs past and present in the United States.

Movember: A month-long fundraiser that seeks to raise awareness for men's issues like suicide as well as prostate and testicular cancer.

November 1 – All Saints' Day, All Souls Day, Día de Los Muertos: This day is dedicated to all those who have passed away in the Christian faith as well as the Mexican and Aztec communities.

November 5 – Guru Nanak Ji's Birthday: A day commemorating the birth of Guru Nanak Ji who founded Sikhism.

November 11 – Veteran's Day: Observed annually to honor military veterans of the United States Armed Forces. (CCV Centers Open.

Floating holiday.)

November 16 – International Day for Tolerance: The UN holiday was founded to encourage respect among various people regardless of culture, language, religion, or ethnicity.

November 20 – Transgender Day of Remembrance: This day is held as a remembrance for all those murdered because of transphobia.

November 27 – Thanksgiving: a national holiday with historical roots in religious and cultural traditions that include blessings and giving thanks. (CCV Centers are closed)

November 28 – (CCV Centers are closed)

#### **December**

December 1 – World AIDS Day: This day highlights the importance of HIV/AIDs awareness and raises money for its cure.

December 3 – International Day of Persons with Disabilities: This United Nations holiday raises awareness for the rights of individuals with disabilities, sparking dialogue about accessibility and inclusion in diverse cultural contexts.

December 10 – International Humans Rights Day: A holiday adopted by the UN in 1948 following the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

December 14 to 22 – Hanukkah: An 8-day Jewish holiday marking the liberation of Jews from rule by their Greek - Syrian oppressors in the Maccabean Revolt and the restoration of their religious freedom.

December 16 - 24 – Las Posadas: A religious festival commemorating Mary and Joseph's efforts to find an inn and the events associated with the birth of Jesus. Primarily celebrated in Latin American countries, Mexico, and parts of the U.S.

December 21 – Winter Solstice/Yule: A festival celebrated by Pagan and Wiccan faiths.

December 25 – Christmas: A Christian holiday marking the birth of their lord and savior, Jesus Christ. Over time, this day has become of cultural importance in the United States for non-religious reasons. (CCV Centers are closed)

December 26 – January 1– Kwanzaa: A seven-day African American and Pan-African celebration emphasizing communal values and heritage, encouraging conversations about the diaspora and its cultural contributions.

Source: https://diversity.social/diversity-calendar-events/