

2013 Diversity Calendar

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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 Affirmative Action, Compliance and Diversity at (718) 289-5100, x3494.

Additional Information

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

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September 2013 "National Hispanic-Latino Heritage Month (September 15 th – October 15 th)"			
Date	Diversity Event	Link	Related Ethnicity
1	Father's Day	http://www.fathersdaycelebration.com/fathers-day-in-australia.html	Australia & New Zealand
2	Labor Day	http://www.dol.gov/laborday/history.htm	USA
4-6	*Rosh HaShanah (New Year)	http://www.jewfaq.org/holiday2.htm	Jewish
8	Grandparents Day	http://www.presidency.ucsb.edu/ws/index.php?pid=31142#axzz2jJAOFRHF	USA
9	Dashalakshani-Parvi	http://ejainism.com/daslakshan.html	Jainism
10	Samvatsari	http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/life-style/Paryushan-Parva-festival-of-forgiveness/articleshow/3441433.cms?	Jainism
11	Enkutatash (New Year)	http://www.tourismethiopia.org/pages/detail/detailfestival.asp	Ethiopia
11	Patriot Day (in memory of those who died on 9/11)	http://www.calendar-updates.com/info/holidays/us/patriot.aspx	USA
14	*Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement)	http://www.jewishvirtuallibrary.org/jsource/Judaism/holiday4.html	Jewish
16	Independence Day	http://www.inside-mexico.com/featureindep.htm	Mexico
17	Constitution Day	http://www.constitutionday.com/	Dominican Republic
17	Citizenship Day	http://www.loc.gov/law/help/commemorative-observations/constitution-day.php?loclr=bloglaws	USA
18-25	*Sukkot	http://www.jewfaq.org/holiday5.htm	Jewish
19	Moon Festival	http://www.adoptvietnam.org/vietnamese/tet-trung-thu.htm http://www.regit.com/hongkong/festival/mooncake.htm	Vietnam, Hong Kong, China, Taiwan
21	International Day of Peace	http://www.un.org/en/events/peaceday/index.shtml	USA
22	Autumn Equinox	http://www.timeanddate.com/calendar/september-equinox.html	Pagan
24	Our Lady of Mercedes Day	http://aglobalworld.com/holidays-around-the-world/dominican-republic-mercedes-day/	Dominican Republic
26	*Shemini Atzeret	http://www.jewfaq.org/holiday6.htm	Jewish
26	National Native American Day	http://www.holidayinsights.com/other/native.htm	USA

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27	*Simchat Torah	http://www.chabad.org/holidays/JewishNewYear/template_cdo/aid/4464/jewish/Simchat-Torah-101.htm	Jewish
27	Maskal	http://my.ort.org.il/givatram/etiopia/TRGIL7.HTML#maskal	Ethiopia

October 2013 "National Disability Employment Awareness Month" "Filipino American History Month"			
Date	Diversity Event	Link	Related Ethnicity
2	Mahatma K. Gandhi Birthday	http://mkgandhi.org/	Indian
14	Columbus Day	http://www.history.com/topics/columbus-day	USA
14	Dia de la Raza	http://zedillo.presidencia.gob.mx/welcome/PAGES/culture/note_12oct.html	Latin America Mexico
Oct 5- Oct 13	Navaratri	http://www.hinduismtoday.com/modules/smartsection/item.php?itemid=3073	Indian
15	Eid-al-Adha	http://islam.about.com/od/hajj/a/adha.htm	Islamic
20	Birth of the Bab	http://www.planetbahai.org/cgi-bin/articles.pl?article=16	Bahá'í
31	Halloween	http://www.history.com/topics/halloween	USA

November 2013 "National American Indian (Native American) Heritage Month"			
Date	Diversity Event	Link	Related Ethnicity
1	Samhain	http://inventors.about.com/od/sstartinventions/a/Samhain.htm	Celtic
1	All Saints Day	http://www.churchyear.net/allsaints.html	Anglican & Roman Catholic
1-2	Dia de los Muertos (All Souls Day)	http://www.history.com/topics/halloween-around-the-world	Mexico
3	**Ashura	http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-middle-east-16047713	Islamic
3	Diwali	http://hinduism.about.com/od/diwalifestivaloflights/a/diwali.htm	Hindu, Jainism, Sikh and Buddhist
Nov 3- Dec 3	**Muharran (Islamic New Year)	http://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/us/muharran-new-year	Islamic
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
Nov 27- Dec 5	*Hanukkah	http://www.history.com/topics/hanukkah	Jewish
28	Thanksgiving	http://usa.usembassy.de/holidays-thanksgiving.htm	USA

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December 2013			
Date	Diversity Event	Link	Related Ethnicity
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
12	Day of Our Lady of Guadalupe	http://www.inside-mexico.com/guadalupe.htm	Mexican/Catholic Tradition
16-24	Simbang Gabi (Christmas)	http://www.rcam.org/others/910-guidelines-on-the-celebration-of-simbang-gabi-in-the-archdiocese-of-manila	Filipino/Catholic Tradition
16-24	Las Posadas	http://hispanic-culture-online.com/las-posadas.html	Mexican Tradition
21	Winter Solstice/ Yule	http://paganwiccan.about.com/od/yulethelongestnight/p/Yule_History.htm	Neo-Pagan
25	Christmas Day	http://www.thehistoryofchristmas.com/christmas_history.htm	USA
Dec. 26- Jan1	Kwanzaa	http://www.officialkwanzaawebsite.org/index.shtml	African American

*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.