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December

Teen Activity Calendar

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>Everybody loves bingo, and December is officially the game's birth month. Host a month-long bingo series with a different theme each week.</p>			<p>Honor "No Gender December" by reviewing your library services and management practices to see where you can reduce social biases.</p>			<p>1 World AIDS Day: At the start of AIDS Awareness Month, create a booklist of history and science titles on the AIDS pandemic. Build a month-long display with fiction and nonfiction materials available for checkout.</p>
<p>2 French pointillist Georges Seurat was born on this day in 1859. Invite everyone to paint with Q-tips and limited pure colors to generate "visual mixing" like the master.</p>	<p>3 National Roof over Your Head Day: Set up a volunteering program with your local homeless shelter to donate time and effort to aid those without a roof over their heads.</p>	 <p>4 National Dice Day: Coordinate a gaming festival with many, many dice. How many games can you play with nothing more than simple six-sided dice?</p>	<p>5 Feature your Disney books and movies to celebrate Walt Disney, born on this day in 1901.</p>	<p>6 Professional Hollywood stuntwoman Kitty O'Neil shattered a landspeed record in 1976 at Alvord Desert in Oregon with a speed of 512.710 mph. Build a booklist featuring fascinating women with unusual careers.</p>	<p>7 National Letter Writing Day: Set up a notecard station (with the good pens) and encourage everyone to handwrite a note or two of thanks or greeting.</p>	<p>8 Pretend to Be a Time Traveler Day: Seek inspiration from the fiction section and the 390s to determine the customs and dress required for your intended destination.</p>
<p>9 On this day in 1968, Douglas Engelbart gave "The Mother of All Demos" to debut a lot of what we now consider computer basics - including the mouse. Celebrate modern technology with a display of tech books.</p>	<p>10 Poet Emily Dickinson was born on this day in 1830. Create a bulletin board about slant rhyme — then demonstrate with modern hip-hop examples, too.</p>	<p>11 Singer/actor Hailee Steinfeld was born on this day in 1996. Display biographies, DVDs and music from her impressive career.</p>	<p>12 On this day in 1980, the Codex Leicester, a notebook containing a collection of Leonardo da Vinci's scientific writings, was sold for more than \$5 million. Host a STEAM program exploring Da Vinci's famous mirror writing.</p>	<p>13 On this day in 1972 as part of the Apollo 17 mission, humans set foot on the moon for the last time to date. Issue this as a creative writing prompt: Who will be the next person on the moon, and what will he or she find?</p>	<p>14 World Monkey Day: Feature a display in appreciation of all things simian. Did you know a group of monkeys is referred to as a tribe or a mission?</p>	<p>15 French engineer Gustave Eiffel was born on this day in 1832. In addition to the Eiffel Tower, he worked on the Statue of Liberty and the Panama Canal. Invite a local engineer to give a program on careers and creativity.</p>
<p>16 National Chocolate-Covered Anything Day: Did you say <i>anything</i>? Host a daring program of unusual, gross, or just strange foods to see if it is possible to make "anything" better by covering it in chocolate.</p>	 <p>17 Wright Brothers Day: Set up a paper airplane station in honor of the first successful flights at Kitty Hawk.</p>	<p>18 Book release: Dear Heartbreak: YA Authors and Teens on the Dark Side of Love edited by Heather Demetrios</p>	<p>19 On this day in 1983, the Jules Rimet Trophy, the original FIFA trophy, was stolen and has never been seen again. Make it a soccer/<i>futbol</i> day at the library, with teamwear and themed displays.</p>	<p>20 A fresh-faced Elvis Presley was drafted into the US Army on this day in 1957. Invite a military representative to give a talk on Selective Service registration and enlistment.</p>	<p>21 National Flashlight Day: Use the earlier sunset to your advantage and host a game of flashlight tag in the dark.</p>	<p>22 On this day in 1956, the Columbus Zoo celebrated the first gorilla born in captivity and named her Colo for Columbus and Ohio. Create a display about gorillas and worldwide conservation efforts.</p>
<p>23 National Roots Day: With all the family gatherings this time of year, play up an interest in family history with a program on genealogy and family trees.</p>	<p>24 Coordinate a Twihard movie marathon in honor of author Stephenie Meyer, who was born on this day in 1973.</p>	<p>25 A'Phabet Day: Celebrate a day of puns for no-L.</p>	<p>26 In the last week of the year, everybody's thinking about resolutions. Pull together some goal-setting resources and help patrons succeed.</p>	<p>27 With striped peppermint candies, cookie cutters and a little heat, you can make fun, pleasantly scented ornaments. And the candy's on sale this week!</p>	<p>28 William Finley Semple patented a chewing gum on this day in 1869. Pick a flavor (mint, bubble gum, fruit) and host a taste testing where you review a variety of brands. Make a score sheet and post the final tallies.</p>	<p>29 It's day five of "The Twelve Days of Christmas," which means everybody's favorite part: FIVE GOLDEN RINGS! See how many times you can work this into your day's interactions.</p>
<p>30 National Bicarbonate of Soda Day: Host a STEAM program with experiments and crafts that center around baking soda.</p>	<p>31 Artist Henri Matisse was born on this day in 1869. Invite patrons to cut shapes from bright paper to build a cooperative mural.</p>					

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