

# 2017

## SUNDAY

## MONDAY

## TUESDAY

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**A Streetcar Named Desire** opened on Broadway on this day in 1947. Plan a screening of the 1951 movie with a discussion. Check out the night sky for 2017's only full moon **supermoon** tonight.

### 4

Make holiday gifts more festive with a **"20 Incredible DIY Gift Tags"** craft.

### 5

Make easy and aromatic **bath bombs** for **Bathtub Party Day**.  
**Book Release:** In **The Boy** (Bk. 2) by Tami Hoag, "a panic-stricken woman runs in the dead of night, battered and bloodied, desperate to find help..."

### 10

In the spirit of giving, plan a family **ornament-crafting day** and share the creations with a local senior living or nursing home.

### 11

Established in 2003 by the United Nations General Assembly, **International Mountain Day** celebrates the importance of mountains in providing fresh water, energy, and food. Screen 2015's **Everest**, which depicts the beauty and danger of the famous peak.

### 12

"Rainbows I'm inclined to pursue," sang Ol' Blue Eyes, **Frank Sinatra**, born on this day in 1915. Share shortlist.com's **"50 Pieces of Wisdom from Frank Sinatra Lyrics."**  
#olblueeyes #chairmanoftheboard #franksinatra

### 17

**Wright Brothers Day** celebrates the first gasoline-powered, propeller-driven biplane flight in 1903. Host a **book discussion** on David McCullough's *The Wright Brothers*.  
**The Simpsons** premiered in 1989. Share **classic quotes**.

### 18

"Gift Wrap with Swagger" ideas include an **Obi Wine Kenobi bottle costume** and **Wolverine box wrapping**.

### 19

Pull out your crafting supplies and make **ornaments** on **Ugly Sweater Day**.

### 24

**Book Club:** Check out the **reading guide** for *Saints for All Occasions*, J. Courtney Sullivan's best-selling novel.

### 25

"Here's looking at you, kid."  
—**Humphrey Bogart**, born on this day in 1899  
Create a display of films with the rest of the American Film Institute's **top 25 screen legends**.

### 26

Get crafty and show your appreciation for the holiday season with **handmade thank yous** on **Thank You Note Day**.

### 31

On **Make Up Your Mind Day**, invite patrons to share what they're planning and **ways to be more productive**.

## WEDNESDAY

## THURSDAY

## FRIDAY

## SATURDAY

**National Write a Business Plan Month:** Work with your local Chamber of Commerce to plan a workshop.

**National Tie Month:** Have fun upcycling and repurposing **old ties**.

**National Stress-Free Family Holidays Month:** Share **tips for surviving** December.

# 1

**Basketball** was created in December 1891 by Canadian physical education teacher, James Naismith.

American comedian and actor **Richard Pryor** was born on this day in 1940.

# 2

Invite an expert to your library to talk with staff and local business leaders about ways to improve services for children and adults with special needs on **National Special Education Day**.  
#nationalspecialeducationday

# 6

Construction on the **Washington Monument** in Washington, D.C., was officially completed on this day in 1884.

# 7

*Apollo 17*, the last manned mission to the moon, launched in 1972. Explore NASA's **resources on the moon**.

# 8

Offer a passive program poll to find out what era your community would like to visit on **Pretend to Be a Time Traveler Day**.

Help patrons look for **unclaimed money** on **Lost and Found Day**.

# 9

"I think you should take your job seriously, but not yourself—that is the best combination."  
—**Dame Judi Dench**, born on this day in 1934

# 13

"It is well that war is so terrible. We should grow too fond of it."  
Robert E. Lee defeated Major General Ambrose E. Burnside at the **Battle of Fredericksburg** in 1862.

# 14

Wake up early for a beautiful display of the **Geminids Meteor Shower**—the 200-year-old shower produces up to 120 meteors an hour.

# 15

**Movie Release:** In *Star Wars: The Last Jedi*, "Rey continues her epic journey with Finn, Poe, and Luke Skywalker." Build a family fun **Star Wars photo booth**.

Create a display of popular **underdog movies** on **National Underdog Day**.  
#nationalunderdogday

# 16

**The Battle of the Bulge**, the largest battle fought on the Western Front in Europe, began in the Ardennes in 1945.

"...but for my part, if a book is well written, I always find it too short."  
—**Jane Austen**, born on this day in 1775

# 20

"Remember, George: no man is a failure who has friends."  
Host a screening of *It's a Wonderful Life*, which premiered on this day in 1946.

# 21

Make rustic **spice-scented decorations** for the **Winter Solstice**.  
Share *Doctor Who* **crossword trivia** for **International Dalek Remembrance Day**.

# 22

**Movie Release:** *Pitch Perfect 3*. Invite a local a capella group to perform at your library.

# 23

Bring the fun of **pub trivia** to your library with an after-hours evening of pop-culture fun.

# 27

Set out some paper and scissors for patrons for **Make Cut-Out Snowflakes Day** or host an all-staff activity to decorate the library.

# 28

Winter break is the perfect time to binge-watch TV shows and movies. Put together **themed film collections** for patrons to binge on.

# 29

"You have to fail in order to practice being brave."  
—**Mary Tyler Moore**, born on this day in 1936

# 30

Celebrate **Bacon Day** by sharing *Food Network's "50 Things to Make with Bacon."*