

2017

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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

3
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..."

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

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

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.

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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

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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

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**.

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"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**.

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**.

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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.

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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

26
Get crafty and show your appreciation for the holiday season with **handmade thank yous** on **Thank You Note Day**.

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.

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

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

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

Create a display of films with the rest of the American Film Institute's **top 25 screen legends**.

