

This calendar highlights secular and creed-based observances and holidays, significant events and celebrations, public holidays, and other important dates. These should be considered when planning educational events, tests, exams and other activities.

NOTE: This calendar should <u>not</u> be used as a list of dates for creed-based accommodations; <u>accommodation requests must be made formally</u> and determined on an individual case by case basis subject to the operational procedures of the Board regarding creed beliefs, practices, and observances.

This calendar is not meant to be comprehensive or exhaustive and every attempt has been made to ensure its accuracy. Please note this is a fluid calendar and updates and changes are made throughout the year. If you discover any errors, required updates or omissions or, have any other inquiries regarding this document, forward your correspondence via email to:

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NOTE: Days of Significance/Holy Days <u>may vary a few days before or after the indicated date</u> due to incompatibility of calendars from the Western Gregorian Calendar, moon sightings, time zones, government or ecclesiastical declarations, source website updates or date reporting conflicts between websites, etc.

NOTE: In some cases, dates indicated in the websites may not be current with dates indicated in this document and <u>are intended for holyday or secular holiday</u> <u>descriptive purposes only</u>.

For the most accurate dates reflected in the years 2022-2023, refer to the calendar information contained on the page itself.

Calendar

https://www.calendar-365.com/2022-calendar.html

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HERITAGE AND AWARENESS MONTHS

JANUARY	Tamil Heritage Month
FEBRUARY	 African Heritage Month Black Queering Month Chinese Heritage Month (See May, Asian Heritage Month)
MARCH	Greek Heritage Month
APRIL	 Genocide Awareness Month Latin-America History Month (see also October Hispanic Heritage Month) Sikh Heritage Month World Autism Month
МАҮ	 Asian Heritage Month Jewish Heritage Month National Speech and Hearing Month Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month
JUNE	 ABGLTTQQ2S – Pride Month (Toronto) Filipino Heritage Month Italian Heritage Month National Indigenous History Month Portuguese Speaking Heritage Month
JULY	
AUGUST	•
SEPTEMBER	
OCTOBER	 Hispanic Heritage Month (City of Toronto) International Walk to School Month Islamic Heritage Month Somalian Heritage Month Women's History Month
NOVEMBER	Hindu Heritage MonthIndigenous Education Month
DECEMBER	•



JANUARY 2022

Day of Week	Date	Event	Source	Website
Friday	31 December 2021	New Year's Day - Gregorian Calendar LIEU DAY	Government of Canada	SEE NEW YEAR'S DAY JANUARY 01, 2022
Saturday	01	Gantan-sai	Government of Japan and Buddhism (Shintoism)	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Japanese_New_Y ear
Saturday	01	New Year's Day - Gregorian Calendar	Government of Canada	https://www.officeholidays.com/holidays/cana da/international-new-years-day
Wednesday	05	Twelfth Night	Christianity (Western)	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Twelfth_Night_(ho liday)
Thursday	06	Feast of the Epiphany	Christianity (Eastern Orthodox and Western)	https://www.catholicnewsagency.com/news/35 171/want-to-know-the-history-behind-the- feast-of-the-epiphany
Friday	07	Orthodox Christmas	Christianity (Eastern Orthodox)	https://orthodoxwiki.org/Nativity
Sunday	09	Baptism of Jesus Christ	Christianity (Eastern Orthodox and Western)	https://www.biblestudytools.com/bible- stories/baptism-of-jesus-bible-story.html
Thursday <i>OR</i> Saturday	09 OR 29	Guru Gobind Singh Ji Birthday ¹	Sikhism	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Guru_Gobind_Sin gh#:~:text=He%20was%20born%20in%20Pat na,four%20years%20of%20his%20life
Thursday	13	Pasha Putrada Ekadashi	Hinduism/Sikhism	https://www.drikpanchang.com/ekadashis/putr ada/pausha-putrada-ekadashi-date- time.html?year=2023
Thursday	13	Punjabi Lohri	Hinduism/Sikhism	What is Lohri? Why is it celebrated? - IndiaToday
Friday	14	Maghi	Sikhism	https://www.allaboutsikhs.com/sikh- festivals/the-sikh-festivals-maghi
Friday	14	Makara Sankranti	Hinduism	https://isha.sadhguru.org/us/en/wisdom/article /makar-sankranti-significance-and-benefits-of- festival
Friday	14	Orthodox New Year's Day	Christianity (Eastern Orthodox)	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Old_New_Year
Friday to Monday	14 - 17	Thai Pongal	Hinduism (Tamil)	What is Thai Pongal? - Medium
Sunday	16	Feast of the Wedding of Cana	Christianity (Eastern Orthodox and Western)	https://www.crosswalk.com/faith/bible- study/important-lessons-we-can-learn-from- the-wedding-at-cana.html
Sunday	16	World Religion Day	Bahá'i Faith	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/World_Religion_D ay

¹ Guru Gobind Singh Ji Birthday: In any year where there are 5 Saturdays in January, this birthday can be celebrated on the first date indicated earlier in the month of January, or alternatively, the birthday can be celebrated on the 5th Saturday in January.



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Day of Week	Date	Event	Source	Website	
Monday	17	Martin Luther King Jr. Day	Government of the United States	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Martin_Luther_King_Jr.	
Monday	17	Tu B'Shevat [*]	Judaism	https://www.myjewishlearning.com/article/tu- bishvat-2021/	
Monday to Friday	17 - 21	No Name Calling Week - Starts 3 rd Monday in January	GLSEN	No Name-Calling Week - 2021 GLSEN	
Tuesday	18	Mahayana New Year	Buddhism (Mahayana)	The Origins and Practice of Holidays: Mahayana New Year	
Monday	24	International Day of Education	United Nations	https://www.un.org/en/observances/education- day	
Thursday	27	International Day of Commemoration in Memory of the Victims of the Holocaust	United Nations	https://encyclopedia.ushmm.org/content/en/art icle/introduction-to-the-holocaust	
Thursday	27	St. Sava Devine Day	Christianity (Eastern Orthodox)	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Saint_Sava	
Saturday	29	Guru Gobind Singh Ji Birthday – ALTERNATIVE DATE 5 [™] SATURDAY IN JANUARY	Sikhism	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Guru_Gobind_Sin gh#:~:text=He%20was%20born%20in%20Pat na,four%20years%20of%20his%20life.	
Sunday	30	Jashan-e-Sadeh	Zoroastrian	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sadeh	
Monday to Sunday	31 to 06 February	Chinese Spring Festival	Government of China	https://publicholidays.cn/spring-festival/	

FEBRUARY 2022

Day of Week	Date	Event	Source	Website
Tuesday	01	Chinese New Year	Chinese National Holiday and Buddhism/Confucian/ Daoism	<u>21 Things You Didn't Know About Chinese</u> <u>New Year</u>
Tuesday	01	Lunar New Year - Spring Festival	Buddhism/ Confucian/Daoism	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lunar_New_Year
Wednesday	02	Imbolc	Wicca/Pagan	https://www.history.com/topics/holidays/imbolc
Wednesday	02	Presentation (Meeting) of Our Lord	Christianity (Eastern Orthodox)	https://orthodoxwiki.org/Meeting_of_the_Lord
Wednesday	02	Winter Walk to School Day	Toronto District School Board (TDSB)	https://kawarthanow.com/2016/01/28/winter- walk-to-school-day/
Thursday	03	Setsubun	Buddhism (Shintoism)	https://blog.japanwondertravel.com/what-is- setsubun-22094
Saturday	05	Vasant Pachami	Hinduism	https://www.ritiriwaz.com/5-facts-about- vasant-panchami/



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Day of Week	Date	Event	Source	Website	
Sunday	06	International Day of Zero Tolerance on Female Genital Cutting and Mutilation	United Nations and World Health Organization	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/International_Day of Zero Tolerance for Female Genital Mut ilation	
Monday to Friday	14 - 18	Sexual and Reproductive Health Awareness Week	Action Canada for Sexual Health and Rights	https://www.actioncanadashr.org/srhweek	
Tuesday	15	Parinirvana Day - Buddha's Death	Buddhism	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gautama_Buddha	
Wednesday	16	Magha Puja Day - Lantern Festival	Buddhism	https://en.dhammakaya.net/activities/magha- puja-the-light-of-peace-ceremony/	
Sunday	20	World Day of Social Justice	United Nations	https://www.un.org/en/observances/social- justice-day	
Monday	21	Family Day	Government of Ontario	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Family_Day_(Can ada)#Ontario	
Saturday to Tuesday	26 - to 01 March	Ayyám-i-Há - Intercalary Days	Bahá'i Faith	https://www.bahai.ca/holy-days/	

MARCH 2022

Day of Week	Date	Event	Source	Website
Tuesday	01	Isra'a and Miraj [*]	Islam	https://muslimhands.org.uk/latest/2019/04/al- isra-wal-mi-raj-the-story-of-the-miraculous- night-journey
Tuesday	01	Maha Shivaratri	Hinduism	https://www.hindustantimes.com/lifestyle/festiv als/maha-shivratri-2021-history-significance- and-celebration-101615434959914.html
Wednesday	02	Ash Wednesday	Christianity (Western)	https://www.catholic.org/lent/ashwed.php
Thursday	03	Saka New Year - Nyepi	Hinduism (Balinese)	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nyepi
Thursday to Saturday	03 - 05	Tibetan New Year - Losar	Buddhism (Tibetan, Nepal, Bhutan)	<u>Tibetan New Year(Losar) — The Most</u> Important Festival in Tibet
Thursday to 1st Monday in April	03 to 01 April	Sha'ban and Mid-Sha'ban [*]	Islam	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sha%27ban
Monday	07	Clean Monday - First Day of Lent	Christianity (Eastern Orthodox)	https://orthodoxwiki.org/Clean_Monday
Tuesday	08	International Women's Day	United Nations	https://www.unwomen.org/en/news-stories/in- focus/2022/03/in-focus-international-womens- day
Sunday	13	L. Ron Hubbard's Birthday	Church of Scientology	Official Church of Scientology: What is Scientology?



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Day of Week	Date	Event	Source	Website	
Monday	14	Chet - Sikh New Year	Sikhism	https://www.sikhiwiki.org/index.php/Chet	
Thursday	17	Purim [*]	Judaism	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Purim	
Friday	18	Holi Festival [*]	Hinduism	https://www.holifestival.org/	
Friday to Sunday	18 - 20	Holla Mohalla	Sikhism	https://www.sikhiwiki.org/index.php/Hola_Mah alla	
Sunday	20	Nawrúz - Persian New Year	Government of Iran Holiday and Zoroastrian	https://www.officeholidays.com/holidays/novru	
Sunday and Monday	20 - 21	Ostara	Wicca/Pagan	https://www.northernpaganism.org/shrines/ost ara/about.html	
Monday	21	Guan Yin Birthday	Buddhism (Taiwanese)	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Guanyin	
Monday	21	International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination	United Nations	https://www.un.org/en/observances/end- racism-day	
Monday	21	Nawrúz - Bahá'i New Year	Bahá'i Faith	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bah%C3%A1%C A%BC%C3%AD_Naw-R%C3%BAz	
Monday	21	Ohigan -Spring Festival	Government of Japan and Buddhism (Shintoism)	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Chunfen	
Tuesday	22	World Water Day	United Nations	https://www.un.org/en/observances/water-day	
Friday	25	Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Christianity (Eastern Orthodox & Western)	https://www.britannica.com/topic/Annunciation -Christianity	

APRIL 2022

Day of Week	Date	Event	Source	Website
Friday	01	Hindu New Year	Government of India and Hinduism	https://publicholidays.co.id/bali-hindu-new- year/
Friday to Tuesday	01 - 12	Kha b-Nisan Spring Festival - Akitu	Assyrian Diaspora	https://www.auaf.us/blog/kha-bnissan-the- assyrian-new-year-2/
Saturday	02	World Autism Awareness Day	United Nations	https://www.un.org/en/observances/autism- day
Sunday to 1 st Sunday in May	02 - May 01	Ramadan [*]	Islam	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ramadan
Thursday	07	Rwanda Genocide Memorial Day	Government of Canada (Recognition)	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rwandan_genoci de



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Day of Week	Date	Event	Source	Website	
Thursday	07	World Health Day	World Health Organization	<u>https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/World_Health_Da</u> ⊻	
Friday	08	International Day of Silence - 2nd Friday in April	GLSEN	https://nationaltoday.com/national-day-silence/	
Sunday	10	Shri/Rama Navami	Hinduism	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rama_Navami	
Wednesday	13	International Day of Pink	International Day of Pink Organization	https://www.dayofpink.org/en/home	
Thursday	14	Baisakhi (Vaisakhi)	Hinduism/Sikhism	https://www.astroswamig.com/article/2022- vaisakhi-festival-date-and-muhurat-3134	
Thursday	14	Mesha Sankranti - Solar New Year	Hinduism	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mesha_Sankranti	
Thursday	14	Sinhalese New Year	Government of Sri Lanka and Buddhism - Theravada	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sinhalese_New_ Year	
Thursday	14	Tamil New Year	Government of Sri Lanka and Hinduism	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Puthandu	
Friday	15	Good Friday - Gregorian Calendar	Government of Canada and Christianity (Western)	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Good Friday	
Friday	15	Memorial of Jesus' Death	Jehovah's Witnesses	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jehovah%27s_Wi tnesses_practices#Memorial_of_Christ's_deat <u>h</u>	
Saturday	16	Hanuman Jayanti	Hinduism	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hanuman_Jayanti	
Saturday to Monday	16 - 18	Theraváda New Year	Buddhism (Theravada)	<u>Tibetan New Year(Losar) — The Most</u> Important Festival in Tibet	
Saturday to Saturday	16 - 23	Pesach - Passover [*]	Judaism	https://www.jewishvirtuallibrary.org/book-of- shemot-exodus	
Sunday	17	Easter Sunday - Gregorian Calendar	Government of Canada and Christianity (Western)	https://www.britannica.com/topic/Easter- holiday	
Monday	18	Easter Monday - Gregorian Calendar	Government of Canada and Christianity (Western)	https://www.scotsman.com/lifestyle/family- and-parenting/easter-monday-2021-why-we- observe-easter-monday-is-the-date-a-bank- holiday-in-scotland-2537177	
Thursday	21	First Day of Ridván	Bahá'i Faith	<u>http://bahai-</u> library.com/walbridge_encyclopedia_Ridván	
Thursday	21	Grounation Day	Rastafarian Holy Day	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Grounation_Day	
Friday	22	Earth Day – International Mother Earth Day	United Nations	International Mother Earth Day	
Friday	22	Orthodox Holy Friday	Christianity (Eastern Orthodox)	https://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/canad a/orthodox-good-friday	



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Day of Week	Date	Event	Source	Website	
Friday	22	Yonge Street Van Attack - Remembrance Day ACTUAL DATE 23 APRIL	Toronto District School Board (TDSB)	<u>https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Toronto_van_atta</u> <u>ck</u>	
Sunday	24	Armenian Genocide Commemoration Day	Government of Canada (Recognition)	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Aréenian_Genoci de_Remembrance_Day	
Sunday	24	Orthodox Easter Sunday	Christianity (Eastern Orthodox)	https://orthodoxwiki.org/Pascha	
Monday	25	Feast of St. Mark	Christianity (Eastern Orthodox and Western)	https://www.britannica.com/biography/Saint- Mark-the-Evangelist	
Monday	25	Orthodox Easter Monday	Christianity (Eastern Orthodox)	https://www.officeholidays.com/holidays/ortho dox-easter-monday	
Thursday	28	National Day of Mourning - Canada	Government of Canada	https://www.ccohs.ca/events/mourning/	
Thursday	28	Yom HaShoah - Holocaust Remembrance Day [*]	Judaism	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Yom_HaShoah	
Friday	29	Jumu'atul-Wida*	Islam	https://knowinsiders.com/jumuatul-wida- history-significance-ritual-best-wishes-and- guotes-30302.html	
Friday	29	Laylat al-Qadr - Night of Power [*]	Islam	https://www.muslimaid.org/what-we- do/religious-dues/the-night-of-power-laylat-ul- gadr/	
Friday	29	Ninth Day of Ridván	Bahá'i Faith	https://bahaiteachings.org/ninth-day-ridvan- unity-human-family/	

MAY 2022

Day of Week	Date	Event	Source	Website
Sunday	01	Beltane	Wicca/Pagan	https://beltane.org/about-beltane/
Sunday	01	International Family Equality Day	Family Equality Council	https://www.familyequality.org/international- family-equality-day/
Monday to Wednesday	02 - 04	Eid al-Fitr*	Islam	https://www.britannica.com/story/eid-al-fitr
Monday	02	Twelfth Day of Ridván	Bahá'l Faith	https://bahaiteachings.org/exile-and- exuberance-the-12th-day-of-ridvan/
Monday to Friday	02 - 06	Children's Mental Health Week	Canadian Mental Health Association (Adopted by Toronto District School)	https://www.mentalhealthweek.ca/
Tuesday	03	Akshaya Tritya	Hinduism	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Akshaya_Tritiya



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Day of Week	Date	Event	Source	Website	
Thursday	05	National Inquiry: Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls in Canada	Government of Canada	https://www.mmiwg-ffada.ca/final-report	
Thursday	05	Red Dress Day: Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women, Girls and Two-Spirit People	Canadian Broadcasting Corporation - Assembly of First Nations	https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/british- columbia/red-dress-day-2022-bc-1.6443456	
Sunday	08	Mother's Day	Old Farmer's Almanac	https://www.almanac.com/content/when-is- mothers-day	
Sunday	15	International Day of Families	United Nations	https://www.un.org/development/desa/family/p ublications/un-reports-and-resolutions.html	
Monday	16	Vesak (Wesak) Day	Buddhism	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Vesak	
Tuesday	17	International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia	International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia (IDAHOTB)	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/International_Day Against_Homophobia, Transphobia_and_Bi phobia	
Friday	20	Malcolm X Day	Government of the United States	https://www.britannica.com/biography/Malcol <u>m-X</u>	
Monday	23	Queen Victoria Day	Government of Canada	https://www.royal.uk/queen-victoria	
Tuesday	24	Declaration of the Bá'b [*]	Bahá'i Faith	https://www.upliftingwords.org/post/the- declaration-of-the-bab	
Thursday	26	Ascension of Jesus Christ	Christianity (Western)	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ascension_of_Jes us	
Sunday	29	Ascension of Bahá'u'llah [*]	Bahá'i Faith	https://www.bahaiblog.net/bahai- calendar/about-the-ascension-of-bahaullah/	
Sunday to Saturday	29 to 04 June	National Access Ability Week	Government of Canada	https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social- development/campaigns/national- accessability-week.html	
Monday to Friday	30 to 03 June	Bike to School Week (Culture Link)	Toronto District School Board (TDSB)	https://www.culturelink.ca/services/health-and- recreation/bike-to-school/	

JUNE 2022

Day of Week	Date	Event	Source	Website
Wednesday	01	Intergenerational Day	Canadian Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse	https://cnpea.ca/en/about-cnpea/blog/967- june-1st-is-intergenerational-day-canada
Wednesday to Thursday	01 - 30	Toronto Pride Festival Month	Toronto Pride	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pride_Toronto
Friday	03	Martyrdom of Guru Arjan Dev Ji	Sikhism	https://www.sikhiwiki.org/index.php/Martyrdom _of_Guru_Arjan



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Day of Week	Date	Event	Source	Website		
Sunday	05	Pentecost	Judaism/Christianity (Eastern Orthodox and Western)	https://www.christianity.com/jesus/early- church-history/pentecost/where-did-pentecost- come-from.html		
Sunday	05	World Environment Day	United Nations	https://www.un.org/en/observances/environme nt-day		
Sunday and Monday	05 - 06	Shavu'ot [*]	Judaism	http://www.jewfaq.org/holidayc.htm		
Sunday	12	Filipino Independence Day	Government of Canada (Recognition)	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Independence_D ay_(Philippines)		
Sunday	12	World Day Against Child Labour	United Nations	https://www.un.org/en/observances/world-day- against-child-labour/background		
Tuesday	14	Saga Dawa Düchen	Buddhism (Tibetan)	https://www.universalcompassion.org/event/sa ga-dawa-duchen-2022/		
Saturday	18	International Day to Counter Hate Speech	United Nations	https://www.un.org/en/genocideprevention/doc uments/UN%20Strategy%20and%20Plan%20 of%20Action%20on%20Hate%20Speech%20 18%20June%20SYNOPSIS.pdf		
Sunday	19	Father's Day	Old Farmer's Almanace	https://www.almanac.com/content/when- fathers-day		
Sunday	19	Juneteenth	Government of the United States	https://www.history.com/news/what-is- juneteenth		
Monday	20	World Refugee Day	United Nations	https://www.un.org/en/observances/refugee- day		
Tuesday	21	Litha [*]	Wicca/Pagan	https://www.learnreligions.com/history-of- summer-solstice-holiday-litha-2562244		
Tuesday	21	National Indigenous Persons Day - Canada	First Nations, Métis, Inuit	https://time.astrosage.com/holidays/canada/n ational-indigensusous-peoples- day?year=2023&language=ka		
Tuesday	21	World Humanist Day	International Humanist and Ethical Union	https://www.google.ca/webhp?sourceid=chro me-instant&ion=1&espv=2&ie=UTF- 8#safe=strict&q=humanism		
Thursday	23	National Day of Remembrance for Victims of Terrorism	Government of Canada	https://pm.gc.ca/en/news/statements/2022/06/ 23/statement-prime-minister-national-day- remembrance-victims-terrorism		
Friday	24	Nativity of St. John the Baptist	Christianity (Eastern Orthodox and Western)	https://www.loyolapress.com/catholic- resources/saints/saints-stories-for-all- ages/the-birth-of-john-the-baptist/		
Friday	24	St. Jean Baptiste Day	Quebec and Francophone Culture	https://www.officeholidays.com/holidays/cana da/quebec/the-national-holiday-of-quebec		
Sunday	26	International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking	United Nations	International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking		



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Sunday	26	International Day in Support of Victims of Torture	United Nations	https://www.un.org/en/observances/torture- victims-day	
Monday	27	Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder Awareness Day	Canadian Mental Health Association	https://cmha.ca/documents/post-traumatic- stress-disorder-ptsd	

JULY 2022

Day of	Date	Event	Source	Website
Week	Date	Lvent	Source	Website
Friday	01	Canada Day	Government of Canada	https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian- heritage/campaigns/canada-day.html
Friday to Tuesday	08 – 12	Hajj [*]	Islam	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hajj
Friday	08	Waqf al Arafa [*]	Islam	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Day_of_Arafah
Sunday	10	Martyrdom of the Bá'b [*]	Bahá'i Faith	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Execution_of_the _B%C3%A1b#:~:text=He%20was%20killed% 20by%20a,had%20ascended%20to%20the% _20skies.
Sunday to Wednesday	10 – 13	Eid al Adha [*]	Islam	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Eid_al-Adha
Monday	11	Imamat Day [*]	Islam	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Imamat_Day
Wednesday	13	Asalha Puja Day - Dhamma Day	Buddhism	http://www.beliefnet.com/faiths/buddhism/dhar ma-day-a-universal-celebration-of-the- buddhas-teachings.aspx
Wednesday	13	Guru Purnima Day	Buddhism/Jainism	http://www.beliefnet.com/faiths/buddhism/dhar ma-day-a-universal-celebration-of-the- buddhas-teachings.aspx
Saturday	16	Ethiopian Constitution Day	Government of Ethiopia and Rastafarian Holy Day	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/1931_Constitution of_Ethiopia
Monday	18	Nelson Mandela International Day	United Nations	www.biography.com/people/nelson-mandela- 9397017
Saturday	23	Birthday of Emperor Haile Selassie I	Rastafarian Holy Day	https://www.britannica.com/biography/Haile- Selassie-I
Saturday	30	Al-Hijra New Year [*]	Islam	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hijri_year
Saturday	30	World Day Against Trafficking in Persons	United Nations	https://www.un.org/en/observances/end- human-trafficking-day



AUGUST 2022					
Day of Week	Date	Event	Source	Website	
Monday	01	Chokhor Ducchën Festival	Buddhism (Tibetan)	https://maitripa.org/events/chokhor-duchen- 2022/	
Monday	01	Emancipation Day in Canada	Government of Canada	https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian- heritage/campaigns/emancipation- day.html#a1	
Monday	01	Lord Simcoe Day - Founder's Day	Government of Toronto (Municipal)	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Civic_Holiday	
Monday	01	Lughnassadh/Lammas [*]	Wicca/Pagan	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lughnasadh	
Monday	01	Terry Fox Day	Terry Fox Foundation	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Terry_Fox	
Saturday	06	Transfiguration of Christ	Christianity (Eastern Orthodox and Western)	https://www.crestinortodox.ro/orthodox- calendar/2024-august-transfiguration-of-our- lord-and-savior-jesus-christ.html	
Sunday	07	Tishah B'av [*]	Judaism	http://www.jewfaq.org/holidayd.htm	
Monday	08	Àshùrà [*]	Islam	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ashura	
Tuesday	09	International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples	United Nations	https://www.un.org/en/observances/indigenou s-day	
Thursday	11	Raksha Bandhan	Hinduism/Jainism	https://family.lovetoknow.com/what-is-raksha- bandhan	
Friday	12	International Youth Day	United Nations	https://www.un.org/en/observances/youth- day/background	
Saturday to Monday	13 – 15	Obon Festival - Ulambana	Buddhism (Shintoism)	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bon_Festival	
Monday	15	Feast of the Dormition of the Mother of God	Christianity (Eastern Orthodox)	https://www.oca.org/saints/lives/1000/08/15/1 02302-the-dormition-of-our-most-holy-lady- the-mother-of-god-and-ever-v	
Wednesday	17	Marcus Garvey's Birthday	Rastafarian Holy Day	https://www.history.com/topics/black- history/marcus-garvey	
Thursday and Friday	18 - 19	Krishna Janmashtami	Hinduism	https://wisdom.srisriravishankar.org/janmashta mi-spiritual-significance-lord-krishnas-birth/	
Sunday	21	Birth of Lord Zoroaster - Khordad Sal	Zoroastrian	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Khordad_Sal	
Monday	22	International Day Commemorating the Victims of Acts of Violence Based on Religion or Belief	United Nations	International Day Commemorating the Victims of Acts of Violence Based on Religion or Belief	
Tuesday	23	International Day for the Remembrance of the Slave Trade and Its Abolition	United Nations	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/International_Day for the Remembrance of the Slave Trade and its Abolition	



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Wednesday	24	Paryushana Parvarambha	Jainism	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Paryushana#:~:te xt=The%20duration%20of%20Paryushana%2 0is,or%20Kshamavani%20(forgiveness%20da <u>y).</u>	
Wednesday	31	Ganesh Chaturthi	Hinduism	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ganesh Chaturthi	

SEPTEMBER 2022

Day of Week	Date	Event	Source	Website
Monday	05	Labour Day	Government of Canada	http://www.thecanadianencyclopedia.ca/en/art icle/origins-of-labour-day-feature/
Thursday	01	Installation of the Holy Scriptures of Guru Granth Sahib Ji	Sikhism	https://www.sikhdharma.org/sikh-history/siri- guru-granth-sahib/
Thursday	08	International Day of Literacy	United Nations	https://www.wincalendar.com/ca/International- Literacy-Day
Thursday	08	Nativity of Mary	Christianity (Eastern Orthodox and Western)	https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the- day/nativity-of-the-blessed-virgin-mary
Friday	09	Anant Chaturdashi	Jainism	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Anant_Chaturdas hi
Friday	09	International Day to Protect Education from Attack	United Nations	https://www.un.org/en/observances/protect- education-day
Sunday	11	Coptic New Year - Nayrouz	Christianity (Eastern Orthodox)	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nayrouz#:~:text= Nayrouz%20or%20Neyrouz%20(Arabic%20% D9%86%D8%A7%D8%B1%D988%D8%B2,a nd%20its%20first%20month%2C%20Thout.
Sunday	11	Ethiopian New Year	Government of Ethiopia and Christianity (Eastern Orthodox) Rastafarian Holy Day	https://publicholidays.africa/ethiopia/new- years-day/
Sunday	11	Martyrdom of St. John the Baptist	Christianity (Eastern Orthodox and Western)	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Beheading_of_Jo hn_the_Baptist
Thursday	15	International Day of Democracy	United Nations	https://www.un.org/en/observances/democrac y-day
Sunday	18	Terry Fox Run - 2 nd Sunday after Labour Day	Terry Fox Foundation	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Terry_Fox_Run
Monday	19	Powley Day	First Nations, Métis	https://www.metisnation.org/news/september- 19-powley-day/
Monday to Sunday	19 - 25	International Week of the Deaf - Last Full Week of September	Canadian Association and World Federation of the Deaf	https://webplus.info/index.php?page=340&holi day=969&year=2023
Wednesday	21	International Day of Peace	United Nations	www.un.org/events/peaceday/



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Wednesday to Thursday	21 - 29	Mabon	Wicca/Pagan	https://www.goddessandgreenman.co.uk/mab on/	
Thursday to Saturday	22 - 24	Ohigan - Autumn Festival	Government of Japan and Buddhism (Shintoism)	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Chunfen	
Friday	23	International Day of Sign Languages	World Federation of the Deaf	https://www.aoda.ca/international-week-of- the-deaf/	
Sunday	25	Franco-Ontarian Day	Government of Ontario	https://www.uottawa.ca/gazette/en/news/franc o-ontarian-perspectives-green-and-white	
Monday and Tuesday	26 - 27	Rosh Hashanah [*]	Judaism	http://www.jewfaq.org/holiday2.htm	
Monday to Wednesday	26 – 05 Oct	Navratri	Hinduism	https://www.britannica.com/topic/Navratri	
Tuesday	27	Elevation of the Holy Cross	Christianity (Eastern Orthodox)	https://orthodoxwiki.org/Elevation_of_the_Holy _Cross	
Friday	30	National Day of Truth and Reconciliation	First Nation, Métis, Inuit	https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/first-national- truth-reconciliation-day-1.6188540	
Friday	30	Orange Shirt Day	First Nations, Métis, Inuit	https://www.orangeshirtday.org/about-us.html	

OCTOBER 2022

Day of Week	Date	Event	Source	Website
Saturday	01	International Day for Older Persons	United Nations	International Day of Older Persons
Saturday	01	Mehregan	Zoroastrian	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mehregan
Saturday to Wednesday	01 - 05	Durga Puja	Hinduism	https://www.transitionsabroad.com/listings/trav el/articles/india-durga-purga-honoring- goddess.shtml
Sunday	02	International Day of Non- Violence	United Nations	https://www.un.org/en/observances/non-violence- day
Tuesday	04	Sisters in Spirit	Status of Women Canada	https://nwac.ca/about-us
Wednesday	05	Walk to School Day - 1st Wednesday in October	Adopted by Toronto District School Board (TDSB)	https://www.walkbiketoschool.org/learn- more/why-walkbike/
Wednesday	05	World Teachers' Day	United Nations	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/World_Teachers <u>%27_Day</u>
Wednesday	05	Yom Kippur [*]	Judaism	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Yom_Kippur
Saturday	08	Mawlid-al-Nabi - Prophet's Birthday [*]	Islam	https://www.britannica.com/topic/mawlid



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Day of Week	Date	Event	Source	Website	
Sunday	09	Kathina Festival/Paváraná Day	Buddhism (Theravada)	https://feast- guide.com/en/celebrations/521.html	
Monday	10	Thanksgiving Day - Canada	Government of Canada	https://www.canadashistory.ca/explore/arts- culture-society/the-history-of-thanksgiving-in- canada	
Monday	10	World Mental Health Day	World Health Organization	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/World_Mental_He alth_Day	
Monday to Sunday	10 - 16	Sukkot [*]	Judaism	https://www.myjewishlearning.com/article/sukk ot-101/	
Thursday	13	Karva Chauth*	Hinduism	https://indianculture.gov.in/stories/karva- chauth	
Sunday	16	World Food Day	United Nations	https://www.worldfooddaycanada.ca/about/	
Monday	17	International Day for the Eradication of Poverty	United Nations	International Day for the Eradication of <u>Poverty</u>	
Monday and Tuesday	17 – 18	Shemini Atzeret [*]	Judaism	https://www.myjewishlearning.com/article/wha t-is-shemini-atzeret/	
Monday to Friday	10 - 14	Body Confidence Awareness Week – 2 nd Week October	Toronto District School Board (TDSB)	https://www.bodyconfidencecanada.com/body -confidence-awareness-week-1	
Monday to Friday	17 -21	Week Without Violence 3 rd Week of October	YMCA	https://ywcaweekwithoutviolence.org/	
Tuesday	18	Simchat Torah [*]	Judaism	http://www.jewfaq.org/holiday6.htm	
Thursday	20	Gurgadi of the Holy Scriptures of Guru Granth Sahib Ji <u>as</u> <u>Guru</u>	Sikhism	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Guru Granth Sa hib	
Monday	24	Bandi Chhor Divas	Sikhism	https://www.sikhdharma.org/the-story-of- bandi-chhor-divas/	
Monday	24	Diwali	Hinduism/Jainism/ Sikhism	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Diwali	
Wednesday	26	Birth of the Bá'b	Bahá'i Faith	https://www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/bahai/ holydays/birthbab.shtml	
Thursday	27	Birth of Bahá'u'lláh	Bahá'i Faith	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Birth_of_Bah%C3 %A1%CA%BCu%27II%C3%A1h	
Saturday	29	Gyan Panchami	Jainism	http://blessingsonthenet.com/indian- festival/festival/id/111/gyan-panchami-festival/	
Monday to Friday	31 to November 04	GLSEN Ally Week	Gay, Lesbian, Straight Education Network	https://www.glsen.org/	



NOVEMBER 2022

Day of Week	Date	Event	Source	Website
Tuesday	01	All Saints Day	Christianity (Eastern Orthodox and Western)	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/All_Saints%27_D ay
Tuesday	01	Samhain [*]	Wicca/Pagan	https://www.history.com/topics/holidays/samh ain
Wednesday	02	Crowning of Emperor Haile Selassie I	Rastafarian Holy Day	https://royalwatcherblog.com/2020/11/02/coro nation-of-emperor-haile-selassie-of-ethiopia- 1930/
Monday	07	Inuit Day	Inuit Circumpolar Council Canada	https://www.inuitcircumpolar.com/about-icc/
Monday to Friday	07 - 11	Treaties Recognition Week - First Full Week of November	Government of Ontario	https://www.ontario.ca/page/treaties- recognition-week
Monday	07	Inuit Day	Inuit Circumpolar Council Canada	https://www.inuitcircumpolar.com/about-icc/
Tuesday	08	National Indigenous Veterans' Day	Indigenous Peoples (Veteran Affairs Canada)	<u>https://www.rcaanc-</u> cirnac.gc.ca/eng/1605286948270/160528718 <u>8462</u>
Friday	11	Remembrance: Veterans' Day	Government of Canada	http://www.warmuseum.ca/firstworldwar/histor y/after-the-war/remembrance/remembrance- day/
Monday	14	World Diabetes Day	World Health Organization	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/World_Diabetes_ Day
Tuesday	15	Descending Day of Lord Buddha	Buddhism (Tibetan)	https://publicholidays.asia/bhutan/descending- day-of-lord-buddha/
Wednesday	16	Louis Riel Day Riel's Execution	Métis Nation	https://www.metisnation.org/culture- heritage/louis-riel-day-info/
Sunday	20	International Transgender Day of Remembrance	Gwendolyn A. Smith, US Trans Advocate	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gwendolyn_Ann Smith#/media/File:Gwendolyn_Ann_Smith_jp g
Sunday	20	World Children's Day	United Nations	World Children's Day
Sunday to Saturday	20 - 26	Anti-Bullying Awareness and Prevention Week	Government of Ontario	https://thecanadianhomeschooler.com/bullying -awareness-week/
Monday	21	Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Christianity (Eastern Orthodox and Western)	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Presentation_of_ Mary
Thursday	24	Martyrdom of Guru Tegh Bahadur	Sikhism	https://www.sikhiwiki.org/index.php/Martyrdom _of_Guru_Tegh_Bahadur
Friday	25	International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women	United Nations	https://www.unwomen.org/en/what-we- do/ending-violence-against-women
Saturday	26	Day of the Covenant	Bahá'i Faith	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Day_of_the_Cove nant_(Bah%C3%A1%27%C3%AD)



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Day of Week	Date	Event	Source	Website			
Saturday	26	National Holodomor Memorial Day - 4th Saturday In November ²		https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Holodomor_Mem orial_Day#:~:text='Day%20of%20memory%20 for%20victims,the%20fourth%20Saturday%20 of%20November			
Sunday to Saturday	27 to 24 December	Advent Christianity (Western)		https://www.christianity.com/christian- life/christmas/what-is-advent.html			
Monday	28	Ascension of 'Abdu'l-Bahá [*]	* Bahá'i Faith <u>https://www.bahai.ca/holy-</u>				
Wednesday	30	Birthday of Guru Nanak Dev Sahib	Sikhism	https://www.officeholidays.com/holidays/guru- nanak-birthday			

DECEMBER 2022

Day of Week	Date	Event	Source	Website
Thursday	01	World AIDS Day	United Nations	https://www.un.org/en/observances/world- aids-day
Friday	02	International Day for the Abolition of Slavery	United Nations	https://www.un.org/en/observances/slavery- abolition-day/messages
Saturday	03	International Day of Persons with Disabilities	United Nations	https://www.un.org/en/observances/day-of- persons-with-disabilities
Tuesday	06	National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women	and Action on Violence Government of Canada	
Thursday	08	Bodhi Day - Buddha's Enlightenment	Buddhism	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bodhi_Day
Thursday	08	St. Clements of Ohrid Patrons' Day	Christianity (Eastern Orthodox)	https://anydayguide.com/calendar/2730
Saturday	10	Human Rights Day	United Nations	https://www.un.org/en/observances/human- rights-day
Tuesday	13	Birthday of Imàm Aga Khan*	Islam	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Aga_Khan
Sunday	18	International Migrants Day	United Nations	https://www.un.org/en/observances/migrants- day
Monday to Monday	19 - 26	Hanukkah [*]	Judaism	https://www.history.com/topics/holidays/hanuk kah
Wednesday to Sunday	21 to 01 January 2023	Yule	Wicca/Pagan <u>https://www.goddessandgreenman.cc</u>	
Sunday	25	Christmas Day Gregorian Calendar	Government of Canada and Christianity (Western)	https://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/canad a/christmas

² National Holodomor Memorial Day commemorated on the Friday before the 4th Saturday in November



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Day of Week	Date Event		Source	Website		
Monday	26	Boxing Day	Government of Canada	https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian- heritage/campaigns/canada-day.html		
Monday	26	Death of Lord Zoroaster Zarathosht No Diso	Zoroastrian	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Zartosht_No-Diso		
Monday to Sunday	26 to 01 January 2023	Kwanzaa Canadian/American		https://www.history.com/topics/holidays/kwanz aa-history		
To Be Announced		Christmas Day - Gregorian Calendar LIEU DAY	Government of Canada and Christianity (Western)	SEE DECEMBER 25, 2022		
To Be Announced		Remembrance: Veterans' Day LIEU DAY	Government of Canada	SEE NOVEMBER 11, 2022		

JANUARY 2023

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Week	Date	Event	Source	Website
Sunday	01	Gantan-sai	Government of Japan and Buddhism (Shintoism)	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Japanese New Y ear
Sunday	01	New Year's Day - Gregorian Calendar		
To Be Announced		New Year's Day - Gregorian Calendar LIEU DAY	Government of Canada	SEE NEW YEAR'S DAY JANUARY 01, 2023
Monday	02	Pasha Putrada Ekadashi	Hinduism/Sikhism	https://www.drikpanchang.com/ekadashis/putr ada/pausha-putrada-ekadashi-date- time.html?year=2023
Thursday	05	Twelfth Night	Christianity (Western)	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Twelfth_Night_(ho liday)
Friday	06	Feast of the Epiphany	Christianity (Eastern Orthodox and Western)	https://www.catholicnewsagency.com/news/35 171/want-to-know-the-history-behind-the- feast-of-the-epiphany
Saturday	07	Orthodox Christmas	Christianity (Eastern Orthodox)	https://orthodoxwiki.org/Nativity
Saturday	07	Mahayana New Year	Buddhism (Mahayana)	The Origins and Practice of Holidays: Mahayana New Year
Sunday	08	Baptism of Jesus Christ	Christianity (Eastern Orthodox and Western)	https://www.biblestudytools.com/bible- stories/baptism-of-jesus-bible-story.html
Friday	13	Punjabi Lohri	Hinduism/Sikhism	What is Lohri? Why is it celebrated? - IndiaToday



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Day of Week	Date	Event	Source	Website			
Saturday	14	Maghi	Sikhism	https://www.allaboutsikhs.com/sikh- festivals/the-sikh-festivals-maghi			
Saturday	14	Orthodox New Year's Day	Christianity (Eastern Orthodox)	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Old_New_Year			
Sunday	15	Feast of the Wedding of Cana	Christianity (Eastern Orthodox and Western)	https://www.crosswalk.com/faith/bible- study/important-lessons-we-can-learn-from- the-wedding-at-cana.html			
Sunday	15	Makara Sankranti	Hinduism	https://isha.sadhguru.org/us/en/wisdom/article /makar-sankranti-significance-and-benefits-of- festival			
Sunday	15	World Religion Day	Bahá'i Faith	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/World_Religion_D ay			
Sunday to Wednesday	15 - 18	Thai Pongal	Hinduism (Tamil)	What is Thai Pongal? - Medium			
Monday	16	Martin Luther King Jr. Day	Government of the United States	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Martin Luther King Jr.			
Monday to Friday	16 - 20	No Name Calling Week - Starts 3 rd Monday in January	GLSEN	No Name-Calling Week - 2021 GLSEN			
Friday	20	Guru Gobind Singh Ji Birthday	Sikhism	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Guru_Gobind_Sin gh#:~:text=He%20was%20born%20in%20Pat na,four%20years%20of%20his%20life			
Sunday	22			21 Things You Didn't Know About Chinese <u>New Year</u>			
Sunday	22	Lunar New Year - Spring Festival	Buddhism/ Confucian/Daoism	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lunar_New_Year			
Saturday to Friday	21 -27	Chinese Spring Festival	Government of China	https://publicholidays.cn/spring-festival/			
Tuesday	24	International Day of Education	United Nations	https://www.un.org/en/observances/education- day			
Thursday	26	Vasant Pachami	Hinduism	https://www.ritiriwaz.com/5-facts-about- vasant-panchami/			
Friday	27	International Day of Commemoration in Memory of the Victims of the Holocaust	United Nations	https://encyclopedia.ushmm.org/content/en/art icle/introduction-to-the-holocaust			
Friday	27	St. Sava Devine Day	Christianity (Eastern Orthodox) Serbian Holy Day	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Saint_Sava			
Monday	30	Jashan-e-Sadeh	Zoroastrian <u>https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sadeh</u>				



FEBRUARY 2023

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Day of Week	Date	Event	Source	Website			
Wednesday	01	Winter Walk to School Day	Toronto District School Board (TDSB) https://kawarthanow.com/2016/01/28/wi walk-to-school-day/				
Thursday	02	Imbolc	Wicca/Pagan	https://www.history.com/topics/holidays/imbolc			
Thursday	02	Presentation (Meeting) of Our Lord	Christianity (Eastern Orthodox)	https://orthodoxwiki.org/Meeting_of_the_Lord			
Friday	03	Setsubun	Buddhism (Shintoism)	https://blog.japanwondertravel.com/what-is- setsubun-22094			
Sunday	05	Magha Puja Day - Lantern Festival	Buddhism	https://en.dhammakaya.net/activities/magha- puja-the-light-of-peace-ceremony/			
Monday	06	International Day of Zero Tolerance on Female Genital Cutting and Mutilation	United Nations and World Health Organization	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/International_Day of Zero Tolerance for Female Genital Mut ilation			
Monday	06	Tu B'Shevat [*]	Judaism	https://www.myjewishlearning.com/article/tu- bishvat-2021/			
Monday to Friday	13 - 17	Sexual and Reproductive Health Awareness Week	Action Canada for Sexual Health and Rights	https://www.actioncanadashr.org/srhweek			
Wednesday	15	Parinirvana Day - Buddha's Death	Buddhism	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gautama_Buddha			
Saturday	18			https://muslimhands.org.uk/latest/2019/04/al- isra-wal-mi-raj-the-story-of-the-miraculous- night-journey			
Saturday	18	Maha Shivaratri	Hinduism	https://www.hindustantimes.com/lifestyle/festiv als/maha-shivratri-2021-history-significance- and-celebration-101615434959914.html			
Monday	20	Family Day	Government of Ontario	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Family_Day_(Can ada)#Ontario			
Monday	20	World Day of Social Justice	United Nations	https://www.un.org/en/observances/social- justice-day			
Tuesday to Thursday	21 - 23	Tibetan New Year - Losar	Buddhism (Tibetan, Nepal, Bhutan)	<u>Tibetan New Year(Losar) — The Most</u> Important Festival in Tibet			
Wednesday	22	Ash Wednesday	Christianity (Western)	https://www.catholic.org/lent/ashwed.php			
Wednesday to Wednesday	22 to 22 March	Sha'ban and Mid-Sha'ban [*]	Islam	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sha%27ban			
Sunday to Wednesday	26 to 01 March	Ayyám-i-Há - Intercalary Days	Bahá'i Faith	https://www.bahai.ca/holy-days/			
Monday	27	Clean Monday - First Day of Lent	Christianity (Eastern Orthodox)	https://orthodoxwiki.org/Clean_Monday			



MARCH	1 2023			
Day of Week	Date	Event	Source	Website
Tuesday	07	Purim [*]	Judaism	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Purim
Wednesday	08	Holi Festival [*]	Hinduism	https://www.holifestival.org/
Wednesday	08	International Women's Day	United Nations	https://www.unwomen.org/en/news-stories/in- focus/2022/03/in-focus-international-womens- day
Friday	10	Guan Yin Birthday	Buddhism (Taiwanese)	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Guanyin
Wednesday to Friday	08 - 10	Holla Mohalla	Sikhism	https://www.sikhiwiki.org/index.php/Hola_Mah alla
Monday	13	L. Ron Hubbard's Birthday	Church of Scientology	Official Church of Scientology: What is Scientology?
Tuesday	14	Chet - Sikh New Year	Sikhism	https://www.sikhiwiki.org/index.php/Chet
Monday	20	Nawrúz - Persian New Year	Government of Iran Holiday and Zoroastrian	https://www.officeholidays.com/holidays/novru Z
Monday and Tuesday	20 - 21	Ostara	Wicca/Pagan	https://www.northernpaganism.org/shrines/ost ara/about.html
Tuesday	21	International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination	United Nations	https://www.un.org/en/observances/end- racism-day
Tuesday	21	Nawrúz - Bahá'i New Year	Bahá'i Faith	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bah%C3%A1%C A%BC%C3%AD_Naw-R%C3%BAz
Tuesday	21	Ohigan - Spring Festival	Government of Japan and Buddhism (Shintoism)	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Chunfen
Wednesday	22	Saka New Year - Nyepi	Hinduism (Balinese)	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nyepi
Wednesday	22	World Water Day	United Nations	https://www.un.org/en/observances/water-day
Wednesday	22	Hindu New Year	Government of India and Hinduism	https://publicholidays.co.id/bali-hindu-new- year/
Thursday to Thursday	23 to Apr 20	Ramadan [*]	Islam	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ramadan
Saturday	25	Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Christianity (Eastern Orthodox & Western)	https://www.britannica.com/topic/Annunciation -Christianity
Thursday	30	Shri/Rama Navami	Hinduism	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rama_Navami



APRIL	2023			
Day of Week	Date	Event	Source	Website
Saturday to Wednesday	01 - 12	Kha b-Nisan Spring Festival - Akitu	Assyrian Diaspora	https://www.auaf.us/blog/kha-bnissan-the- assyrian-new-year-2/
Sunday	02	World Autism Awareness Day	United Nations	https://www.un.org/en/observances/autism- day
Tuesday	04	Memorial of Jesus' Death	Jehovah's Witnesses	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jehovah%27s_Wi tnesses_practices#Memorial_of_Christ's_deat h
Thursday	06	Hanuman Jayanti	Hanuman JayantiHinduism https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jeh Hanuman JayantiHinduism https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jeh hh https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jeh	
Thursday to Saturday	06 - 08	Theraváda New Year	Buddhism (Theravada)	<u>Tibetan New Year(Losar) — The Most</u> Important Festival in Tibet
Thursday to Thursday	06 - 13	Pesach - Passover [*]	Judaism	https://www.jewishvirtuallibrary.org/book-of- shemot-exodus
Friday	07	Good Friday - Gregorian Calendar	Government of Canada and Christianity (Western)	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Good_Friday
Friday	07	Rwanda Genocide Memorial Day	Government of Canada (Recognition)	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rwandan_genoci <u>de</u>
Friday	07	World Health Day	World Health Organization	<u>https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/World_Health_Da</u> ⊻
Sunday	09	Easter Sunday - Gregorian Calendar	Government of Canada and Christianity (Western)	https://www.britannica.com/topic/Easter- holiday
Monday	10	Easter Monday - Gregorian Calendar	Government of Canada and Christianity (Western)	https://www.scotsman.com/lifestyle/family- and-parenting/easter-monday-2021-why-we- observe-easter-monday-is-the-date-a-bank- holiday-in-scotland-2537177
Wednesday	12	International Day of Pink	International Day of Pink Organization	https://www.dayofpink.org/en/home
Friday	14	Baisakhi (Vaisakhi)	Hinduism/Sikhism	https://www.astroswamig.com/article/2022- vaisakhi-festival-date-and-muhurat-3134
Friday	14	International Day of Silence - 2nd Friday in April		
Friday	14	Mesha Sankranti - Solar New Year	Hinduism	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mesha_Sankranti
Friday	14	Orthodox Holy Friday	Christianity (Eastern Orthodox)	https://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/canad a/orthodox-good-friday
Friday	14	Sinhalese New Year	Sri Lankan Government and Buddhism (Theravada)	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sinhalese_New_ Year



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Day of Week	Date	Event	Source	Website			
Friday	14	Tamil New Year	Sri Lankan Government and Hinduism	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Puthandu			
Sunday	16	Orthodox Easter Sunday	Christianity (Eastern Orthodox)	https://orthodoxwiki.org/Pascha			
Monday	17	Orthodox Easter Monday	Christianity (Eastern Orthodox)	https://www.officeholidays.com/holidays/ortho dox-easter-monday			
Tuesday	18	Laylat al-Qadr - Night of Power [*]	lelam do/religious-dues/the-pight-				
Tuesday	18	Yom HaShoah - Holocaust Remembrance Day [*]	Judaism <u>https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Yom_Ha</u>				
Friday to Sunday	21 - 23	Eid al-Fitr*	Eid al-Fitr* Islam <u>https://www.britanni</u>				
Friday	21			<u>http://bahai-</u> library.com/walbridge_encyclopedia_Ridván			
Friday	21	Grounation Day	Rastafarian Holy Day	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Grounation_Day			
Friday	21	Jumu'atul-Wida [*]	Islam	https://knowinsiders.com/jumuatul-wida- history-significance-ritual-best-wishes-and- quotes-30302.html			
Saturday	22	Akshaya Tritya	Hinduism	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Akshaya_Tritiya			
Saturday	22	Earth Day – International Mother Earth Day	United Nations	International Mother Earth Day			
Monday	24	Armenian Genocide Commemoration Day	Government of Canada (Recognition)	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Aréenian_Genoci de_Remembrance_Day			
Monday	24	Yonge Street Van Attack - Remembrance Day ACTUAL DATE 23 APRIL	Remembrance Day Roard (TDSR)				
Tuesday	25	Feast of St. Mark	Christianity (Eastern Orthodox and Western)	https://www.britannica.com/biography/Saint- Mark-the-Evangelist			
Friday	28	National Day of Mourning	Government of Canada	https://www.ccohs.ca/events/mourning/			
Saturday	29	Ninth Day of Ridván	Bahá'i Faith	https://bahaiteachings.org/ninth-day-ridvan- unity-human-family/			

MAY 2023

Day of Week	Date	Event	Source	Website
Monday	01	Beltane	Wicca/Pagan	https://beltane.org/about-beltane/



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Day of Week	Date	Event	Source	Website			
Monday to Friday	01 - 05	Children's Mental Health Week	Canadian Mental Health Association (Adopted by Toronto District School)	https://www.mentalhealthweek.ca/			
Tuesday	02	Twelfth Day of Ridván	Bahá'i Faith	https://bahaiteachings.org/exile-and- exuberance-the-12th-day-of-ridvan/			
Friday	05	National Inquiry: Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls in Canada	Government of Canada	https://www.mmiwg-ffada.ca/final-report			
Friday	05	Red Dress Day: Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women, Girls and Two-Spirit People	Canadian Broadcasting Corporation - Assembly of First Nations	https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/british- columbia/red-dress-day-2022-bc-1.6443456			
Sunday	07	International Family Equality Day	Family Equality Council	https://www.familyequality.org/international- family-equality-day/			
Sunday	14	Mother's Day	Old Farmer's Almanac	https://www.almanac.com/content/when-is- mothers-day			
Monday	15	International Day of Families	United Nations	https://www.un.org/development/desa/family/p ublications/un-reports-and-resolutions.html			
Tuesday	16	Martyrdom of Guru Arjan Dev Ji	Sikhism	https://www.sikhiwiki.org/index.php/Martyrdom _of_Guru_Arjan			
Wednesday	17	Homophobia, Transphobia and Against Homophobia,		https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/International_Day _Against_Homophobia,_Transphobia_and_Bi phobia			
Thursday	18	Ascension of Jesus Christ	Christianity (Western)	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ascension_of_Jes us			
Friday	19	Malcolm X Day	Government of the United States	https://www.britannica.com/biography/Malcol m-X			
Monday	22	Queen Victoria Day	Government of Canada	https://www.royal.uk/queen-victoria			
Wednesday	24	Declaration of the Bá'b [*]	Bahá'i Faith	https://www.upliftingwords.org/post/the- declaration-of-the-bab			
Friday and Saturday	26 - 27	Shavu'ot [*]	Judaism	http://www.jewfaq.org/holidayc.htm			
Sunday	28	Pentecost	Judaism/Christianity (Eastern Orthodox and Western)	https://www.christianity.com/jesus/early- church-history/pentecost/where-did-pentecost- come-from.html			
Sunday to Saturday	28 to June 03	National Access Ability Week	Government of Canada	https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social- development/campaigns/national- accessability-week.html			
Monday	29	Ascension of Bahá'u'llah [*]	Bahá'i Faith	https://www.bahaiblog.net/bahai- calendar/about-the-ascension-of-bahaullah/			
Monday to Friday	29 - 02 June	Bike to School Week (Culture Link)	Toronto District School Board (TDSB)	https://www.culturelink.ca/services/health-and- recreation/bike-to-school/			



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	JUNE 2023					
Day of Week	Date	Event	Source	Website		
Thursday	01	Intergenerational Day	Canadian Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse	https://cnpea.ca/en/about-cnpea/blog/967- june-1st-is-intergenerational-day-canada		
Thursday to Friday	01 - 30	Toronto Pride Festival Month	Toronto Pride	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pride_Toronto		
Sunday	04	Saga Dawa Düchen	Buddhism (Tibetan)	https://www.universalcompassion.org/event/sa ga-dawa-duchen-2022/		
Sunday	04	Vesak (Wesak) Day	Buddhism	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Vesak		
Monday	05	World Environment Day	United Nations	https://www.un.org/en/observances/environme nt-day		
Monday	12	Filipino Independence Day	Government of Canada (Recognition)	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Independence_D ay_(Philippines)		
Monday	12	World Day Against Child Labour	United Nations	https://www.un.org/en/observances/world-day- against-child-labour/background		
Sunday	18	Father's Day	Old Farmer's Almanac	https://www.almanac.com/content/when- fathers-day		
Sunday	18	International Day to Counter Hate Speech	United Nations	https://www.un.org/en/genocideprevention/doc uments/UN%20Strategy%20and%20Plan%20 of%20Action%20on%20Hate%20Speech%20 18%20June%20SYNOPSIS.pdf		
Monday	19	Juneteenth	Government of the United States	https://www.history.com/news/what-is- juneteenth		
Tuesday	20	World Refugee Day	United Nations	https://www.un.org/en/observances/refugee- day		
Wednesday	21	Litha [*]	Wicca/Pagan	https://www.learnreligions.com/history-of- summer-solstice-holiday-litha-2562244		
Wednesday	21	National Indigenous Persons Day - Canada	First Nations, Métis, Inuit	https://time.astrosage.com/holidays/canada/n ational-indigensusous-peoples- day?year=2023&language=ka		
Wednesday	21	World Humanist Day	International Humanist and Ethical Union	https://www.google.ca/webhp?sourceid=chro me-instant&ion=1&espv=2&ie=UTF- 8#safe=strict&q=humanism		
Friday	23	National Day of Remembrance for Victims of Terrorism	Government of Canada	https://pm.gc.ca/en/news/statements/2022/06/ 23/statement-prime-minister-national-day- remembrance-victims-terrorism		
Saturday	24	Nativity of St. John the Baptist	Christianity (Eastern Orthodox and Western)	https://www.loyolapress.com/catholic- resources/saints/saints-stories-for-all- ages/the-birth-of-john-the-baptist/		
Saturday	24	St. Jean Baptiste Day	Quebec and Francophone Culture	https://www.officeholidays.com/holidays/cana da/quebec/the-national-holiday-of-quebec		
Monday	26	International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking	United Nations	International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking		



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Day of Week	Date	Event	Source	Website	
Monday	26	International Day in Support of Victims of Torture	United Nations	https://www.un.org/en/observances/torture- victims-day	
Tuesday	27	Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder Awareness Day	Canadian Mental Health Association	https://cmha.ca/documents/post-traumatic- stress-disorder-ptsd	
Tuesday to Saturday	27 to July 01	Hajj [*]	Islam	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hajj	
Wednesday	28	Waqf al Arafa [*]	Islam	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Day_of_Arafah	
Thursday to Sunday	29 to July 02	Eid al Adha [*]	Islam	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Eid_al-Adha	

JULY 2023

Day of Week	Date	Event	Source	Website
Saturday	01	Canada Day	Government of Canada	https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian- heritage/campaigns/canada-day.html
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Monday	03	Asalha Puja Day - Dhamma Day	Buddhism	http://www.beliefnet.com/faiths/buddhism/dhar ma-day-a-universal-celebration-of-the- buddhas-teachings.aspx
Monday	03	Guru Purnima Day	Buddhism/Jainism	http://www.beliefnet.com/faiths/buddhism/dhar ma-day-a-universal-celebration-of-the- buddhas-teachings.aspx
Monday	10	Martyrdom of the Bá'b [*]	Bahá'i Faith	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Execution_of_the _B%C3%A1b#:~:text=He%20was%20killed% 20by%20a,had%20ascended%20to%20the% 20skies.
Tuesday	11	Imamat Day [*]	Islam	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Imamat_Day
Sunday	16	Ethiopian Constitution Day	Government of Ethiopia and Rastafarian Holy Day	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/1931_Constitution of_Ethiopia
Tuesday	18	Nelson Mandela International Day	United Nations	www.biography.com/people/nelson-mandela- 9397017
Wednesday	19	Al-Hijra New Year [*]	Islam	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hijri_year
Friday	21	Chokhor Ducchën Festival	Buddhism (Tibetan)	https://maitripa.org/events/chokhor-duchen- 2022/
Sunday	23	Birthday of Emperor Haile Selassie I	Rastafarian Holy Day	https://www.britannica.com/biography/Haile- Selassie-I



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Day of Week	Date	Event	Source	Website		
Thursday	27	Tishah B'av [*]	Judaism	http://www.jewfaq.org/holidayd.htm		
Friday	28	Àshùrà [*]	Islam	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ashura		
Monday	30	World Day Against Trafficking in Persons	United Nations	https://www.un.org/en/observances/end- human-trafficking-day		

AUGUST 2023

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Day of Week	Date	Event	Source	Website
Tuesday	01	Emancipation Day in Canada	Government of Canada	https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian- heritage/campaigns/emancipation- day.html#a1
Tuesday	01	Lughnassadh/Lammas [*]	Wicca/Pagan	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lughnasadh
Sunday	06	Transfiguration of Christ	Christianity (Eastern Orthodox and Western)	https://www.crestinortodox.ro/orthodox- calendar/2024-august-transfiguration-of-our- lord-and-savior-jesus-christ.html
Monday	07	Lord Simcoe Day - Founder's Day	Toronto Municipal Government	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Civic_Holiday
Monday	07	Terry Fox Day	Terry Fox Foundation	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Terry_Fox
Wednesday	09	International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples	United Nations	https://www.un.org/en/observances/indigenou s-day
Saturday	12	International Youth Day	United Nations	https://www.un.org/en/observances/youth- day/background
Sunday to Tuesday	13 - 15	Obon Festival - Ulambana	Buddhism (Shintoism)	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bon_Festival
Tuesday	15	Feast of the Dormition of the Mother of God	Christianity (Eastern Orthodox)	https://www.oca.org/saints/lives/1000/08/15/1 02302-the-dormition-of-our-most-holy-lady- the-mother-of-god-and-ever-v
Thursday	17	Marcus Garvey's Birthday	Rastafarian Holy Day	https://www.history.com/topics/black- history/marcus-garvey
Monday	21	Birth of Lord Zoroaster - Khordad Sal	Zoroastrian	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Khordad_Sal
Tuesday	22	International Day Commemorating the Victims of Acts of Violence Based on Religion or Belief	United Nations	International Day Commemorating the Victims of Acts of Violence Based on Religion or Belief
Wednesday	23	International Day for the Remembrance of the Slave Trade and Its Abolition	United Nations	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/International_Day for the Remembrance of the Slave Trade and its Abolition



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Day of Week	Date	Event	Source	Website
Wednesday	30	Raksha Bandhan	Hinduism/Jainism	https://family.lovetoknow.com/what-is-raksha- bandhan

SEPTEMBER 2023

Day of Week	Date	Event	Source	Website
Friday	01	Installation of the Holy Scriptures of Guru Granth Sahib Ji	Sikhism	https://www.sikhdharma.org/sikh-history/siri- guru-granth-sahib/
Monday	04	Labour Day	Government of Canada	http://www.thecanadianencyclopedia.ca/en/art icle/origins-of-labour-day-feature/
Wednesday and Thursday	06 - 07	Krishna Janmashtami	Hinduism	https://wisdom.srisriravishankar.org/janmashta mi-spiritual-significance-lord-krishnas-birth/
Saturday and Sunday	07 - 08	Shemini Atzeret [*]	Judaism	https://www.myjewishlearning.com/article/wha t-is-shemini-atzeret/
Friday	08	International Day of Literacy	United Nations	https://www.wincalendar.com/ca/International- Literacy-Day
Friday	08	Nativity of Mary	Christianity (Eastern Orthodox and Western)	https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the- day/nativity-of-the-blessed-virgin-mary
Saturday	09	Anant Chaturdashi	Jainism	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Anant_Chaturdas hi
Saturday	09	International Day to Protect Education from Attack	United Nations	https://www.un.org/en/observances/protect- education-day
Monday	11	Martyrdom of St. John the Baptist	Christianity (Eastern Orthodox and Western)	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Beheading_of_Jo hn_the_Baptist
Monday	11	Paryushana Parvarambha	Jainism	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Paryushana#:~:te xt=The%20duration%20of%20Paryushana%2 0is.or%20Kshamavani%20(forgiveness%20da <u>y).</u>
Tuesday	12	Coptic New Year	Christianity (Eastern Orthodox)	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nayrouz#:~:text= Nayrouz%20or%20Neyrouz%20(Arabic%20% D9%86%D8%A7%D8%B1%D988%D8%B2,a nd%20its%20first%20month%2C%20Thout.
Tuesday	12	Ethiopian New Year	Government of Ethiopia and Christianity (Eastern Orthodox) Rastafarian Holy Day	https://publicholidays.africa/ethiopia/new- years-day/
Friday	15	International Day of Democracy	United Nations	https://www.un.org/en/observances/democrac y-day



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Day of Week	Date	Event	Source	Website	
Saturday and Sunday	16 - 17	Rosh Hashanah [*]	Judaism	http://www.jewfaq.org/holiday2.htm	
Sunday	17	Terry Fox Run - 2 nd Sunday after Labour Day	Terry Fox Foundation	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Terry_Fox_Run	
Monday to Sunday	18 - 24	International Week of the Deaf - Last Full Week of September	Canadian Association and World Federation of the Deaf	https://webplus.info/index.php?page=340&holi day=969&year=2023	
Tuesday	19	Ganesh Chaturthi	Hinduism	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ganesh_Chaturthi	
Tuesday	19	Powley Day	First Nations, Métis	https://www.metisnation.org/news/september- 19-powley-day/	
Thursday	21	International Day of Peace	United Nations	www.un.org/events/peaceday/	
Thursday to Friday	21 - 29	Mabon	Wicca/Pagan	https://www.goddessandgreenman.co.uk/mab on/	
Friday and Saturday	22 - 23	Ohigan - Autumn Festival	Government of Japan and Buddhism (Shintoism)	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Chunfen	
Saturday	23	International Day of Sign Languages	World Federation of the Deaf	https://www.aoda.ca/international-week-of- the-deaf/	
Monday	25	Franco-Ontarian Day	Government of Ontario	https://www.uottawa.ca/gazette/en/news/franc o-ontarian-perspectives-green-and-white	
Monday	25	Yom Kippur [*]	Judaism	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Yom_Kippur	
Wednesday	27	Elevation of the Holy Cross	Christianity (Eastern Orthodox)	https://orthodoxwiki.org/Elevation_of_the_Holy _Cross	
Wednesday	27	Mawlid-al-Nabi - Prophet's Birthday [*]	Islam	https://www.britannica.com/topic/mawlid	
Friday	29	Kathina Festival/Paváraná Day	Buddhism (Theravada)	https://feast- guide.com/en/celebrations/521.html	
Saturday	30	National Day of Truth and Reconciliation	First Nation, Métis, Inuit	https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/first-national- truth-reconciliation-day-1.6188540	
Saturday	30	Orange Shirt Day	First Nations, Métis, Inuit	https://www.orangeshirtday.org/about-us.html	
Saturday to Friday	30 to Oct 6	Sukkot [*]	Judaism	https://www.myjewishlearning.com/article/sukk ot-101/	



OCTOBER 2023

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Day of Week	Date	Event	Source	Website
Sunday	01	International Day for Older Persons	United Nations	International Day of Older Persons
Sunday	01	Mehregan	Zoroastrian	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mehregan
Monday	02	International Day of Non- Violence	United Nations	https://www.un.org/en/observances/non-violence- day
Wednesday	04	Sisters in Spirit	Status of Women Canada	https://nwac.ca/about-us
Wednesday	04	Walk to School Day 1st Wednesday in October	Adopted by Toronto District School Board (TDSB)	https://www.walkbiketoschool.org/learn- more/why-walkbike/
Thursday	05	World Teachers' Day	United Nations	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/World_Teachers %27_Day
Saturday and Sunday	07 - 08	Shemini Atzeret	Judaism	https://www.myjewishlearning.com/article/wha t-is-shemini-atzeret/
Sunday	08	Simchat Torah [*]	Judaism	http://www.jewfaq.org/holiday6.htm
Monday	09	Thanksgiving Day - Canada	Government of Canada	https://www.canadashistory.ca/explore/arts- culture-society/the-history-of-thanksgiving-in- canada
Monday to Friiday	09 - 13	Body Confidence Awareness Week 2nd Week of October	Toronto District School Board (TDSB)	https://www.bodyconfidencecanada.com/body -confidence-awareness-week-1
Tuesday	10	World Mental Health Day	World Health Organization	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/World_Mental_He alth_Day
Sunday to Wednesday	15 - 24	Navratri	Hinduism	https://www.britannica.com/topic/Navratri
Thursday	12	Bandi Chhor Divas	Sikhism	https://www.sikhdharma.org/the-story-of- bandi-chhor-divas/
Monday	16	Birth of the Bá'b	Bahá'i Faith	https://www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/bahai/ holydays/birthbab.shtml
Monday	16	World Food Day	United Nations	https://www.worldfooddaycanada.ca/about/
Monday to Friday	16 - 20	Week Without Violence 3rd Week of October	YWCA	https://ywcaweekwithoutviolence.org/
Tuesday	17	Birth of Bahá'u'lláh	Bahá'i Faith	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Birth_of_Bah%C3 %A1%CA%BCu%27II%C3%A1h
Tuesday	17	International Day for the Eradication of Poverty	United Nations	International Day for the Eradication of Poverty
Friday	20	Gurgadi of the Holy Scriptures of Guru Granth Sahib Ji <u>as</u> <u>Guru</u>	Sikhism	<u>https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Guru_Granth_Sa</u> <u>hib</u>



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Friday to Tuesday	20 - 24	Durga Puja	Hinduism	https://www.transitionsabroad.com/listings/trav el/articles/india-durga-purga-honoring- goddess.shtml		

NOVEMBER 2023

Day of Week	Date	Event	Source	Website	
Wednesday	01	All Saints Day	Christianity (Eastern Orthodox and Western)	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/All_Saints%27_D ay	
Wednesday	01	Karva Chauth*	Hinduism	https://indianculture.gov.in/stories/karva- chauth	
Wednesday	01	Samhain [*]	Wicca/Pagan	https://www.history.com/topics/holidays/samh ain	
Thursday	02	Crowning of Emperor Haile Selassie I	Rastafarian Holy Day	https://royalwatcherblog.com/2020/11/02/coro nation-of-emperor-haile-selassie-of-ethiopia- 1930/	
Saturday	04	Descending Day of Lord Buddha	Buddhism (Tibetan)	https://publicholidays.asia/bhutan/descending- day-of-lord-buddha/	
Monday to Friday	06 - 10	GLSEN Ally Week	Gay, Lesbian, Straight Education Network	https://www.glsen.org/	
Monday to Friday	06 – 10	Treaties Recognition Week - First Full Week of November	Ontario Government	https://www.ontario.ca/page/treaties- recognition-week	
Tuesday	07	Inuit Day	Inuit Circumpolar Council Canada	https://www.inuitcircumpolar.com/about-icc/	
Wednesday	08	National Indigenous Veterans' Day	Indigenous Peoples (Veteran Affairs Canada)	<u>https://www.rcaanc-</u> cirnac.gc.ca/eng/1605286948270/160528718 <u>8462</u>	
Saturday	11	Remembrance: Veterans' Day	Government of Canada	http://www.warmuseum.ca/firstworldwar/histor y/after-the-war/remembrance/remembrance- day/	
Sunday	12	Diwali	Hinduism/Jainism/ Sikhism	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Diwali	
Tuesday	14	World Diabetes Day	World Health Organization	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/World_Diabetes_ Day	
Thursday	16	Louis Riel Day - Riel's Execution	Métis Nation	https://www.metisnation.org/culture- heritage/louis-riel-day-info/	
Saturday	18	Gyan Panchami	Jainism	http://blessingsonthenet.com/indian- festival/festival/id/111/gyan-panchami-festival/	
Sunday to Saturday	19 - 25	Anti-Bullying Awareness and Prevention Week	Government of Ontario	https://thecanadianhomeschooler.com/bullying -awareness-week/	



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Day of Week	Date	Event	Source	Website	
Monday	20	International Transgender Day of Remembrance	Gwendolyn A. Smith, US Trans Advocate	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gwendolyn_Ann_ Smith#/media/File:Gwendolyn_Ann_Smithjp g	
Monday	20	World Children's Day	United Nations	World Children's Day	
Tuesday	21	Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Christianity (Eastern Orthodox and Western)	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Presentation_of_ Mary	
Friday	24	Martyrdom of Guru Tegh Bahadur	Sikhism	https://www.sikhiwiki.org/index.php/Martyrdom _of_Guru_Tegh_Bahadur	
Saturday	25	International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women	United Nations	https://www.unwomen.org/en/what-we- do/ending-violence-against-women	
Saturday	25	National Holodomor Memorial Day - 4th Saturday In November ³	Ukranian Canadian Congress	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Holodomor_Mem orial_Day#:~:text='Day%20of%20memory%20 for%20victims,the%20fourth%20Saturday%20 of%20November	
Sunday	26	Day of the Covenant	Bahá'i Faith	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Day_of_the_Cove nant_(Bah%C3%A1%27%C3%AD)	
Monday	27	Birthday of Guru Nanak Dev Sahib	Sikhism	https://www.officeholidays.com/holidays/guru- nanak-birthday	
Tuesday	28	Ascension of 'Abdu'l-Bahá [*]	Bahá'i Faith	https://www.bahai.ca/holy-days/	

DECEMBER 2023

Day of Week	Date	Event	Source	Website			
Friday	01	World AIDS Day	United Nations	https://www.un.org/en/observances/world- aids-day			
Saturday	02	International Day for the Abolition of Slavery	United Nations	https://www.un.org/en/observances/slavery- abolition-day/messages			
Sunday	03	International Day of Persons with Disabilities	United Nations	https://www.un.org/en/observances/day-of- persons-with-disabilities			
Sunday to Sunday	03 - 24	Advent	Christianity (Western)	https://www.christianity.com/christian- life/christmas/what-is-advent.html			
Wednesday	06	National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women	Government of Canada	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/%C3%89cole_Pol ytechnique_massacre			
Friday	08	Bodhi Day - Buddha's Enlightenment	Buddhism	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bodhi_Day			

³ National Holodomor Memorial Day commemorated o the Friday before the fourth Saturday of November



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Day of Week	Date	Event	Source	Website			
Friday	08	St. Clements of Ohrid Patrons' Day	Christianity (Eastern Orthodox)	https://anydayguide.com/calendar/2730			
Friday to Friday	08 - 15	Hanukkah [*]	Judaism	https://www.history.com/topics/holidays/hanuk kah			
Sunday	10	Human Rights Day	United Nations	https://www.un.org/en/observances/human- rights-day			
Wednesday	13	Birthday of Imàm Aga Khan [*]	Islam	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Aga_Khan			
Monday	18	International Migrants Day	United Nations	https://www.un.org/en/observances/migrants- day			
Thursday to Monday	21 to 01 January 2024	Yule	Wicca/Pagan	https://www.goddessandgreenman.co.uk/yule/			
Monday	25	Christmas Day - Gregorian Calendar	Government of Canada and Christianity (Western)	https://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/canad a/christmas			
Tuesday	26	Boxing Day	Government of Canada	https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian- heritage/campaigns/canada-day.html			
Tuesday	26	Death of Lord Zoroaster - Zarathosht No Diso	Zoroastrian	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Zartosht_No-Diso			
Tuesday to Monday	26 to 01 January 2024	Kwanzaa	African Canadian/American Celebration	https://www.history.com/topics/holidays/kwanz aa-history			
To Be Announced		Remembrance: Veterens' Day LIEU DAY	Government of Canada	SEE NOVEMBER 11, 2023			

