

January 2023

Calendar of Observances

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New Years Day

The first day of the year in the Gregorian calendar, commonly used for civil dating purposes.

Gantan-Sai

The annual New Year festival of the Shinto religion



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National Braille Day

Honors the birthday of Louis Braille, the inventor of Braille.



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Epiphany

Epiphany celebrates the manifestation of Jesus as Christ.

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Mahayana New Year

The Buddhist New Year celebrated with extensive prayer and honoring Buddhism gods.



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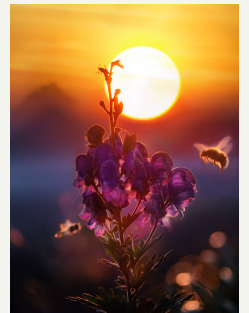
Lohri

A festival known for its feisty celebrations among the Punjabi community.

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Pongal/Makar Sankranti

Seasonal celebration recognizing the increasing length of days.



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World Religion Day

Initiated in the 1950's by the Baha'i faith.

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Dr. Martin Luther King Jr Day

The birthday of civil rights activist Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. is celebrated on the third Monday in January.

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Lunar New Year

Celebrates the new moon on the first day of the year in the traditional Chinese calendar.

Losar

A celebration of the Tibetan New Year.

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Holocaust Remembrance Day

Annual International Day of Commemoration in memory of the victims of the Holocaust coinciding with the anniversary of the liberation of the Auschwitz death camp.