



## CALENDAR: SUGGESTIONS FOR ICC-RELATED EVENTS

### January

- 1 Declaration of the Emancipation Proclamation (1863)
- 7 First UN Human Rights Prosecutor appointed, Cambodia (1993)
- 12 UN Genocide Convention entered into force (1951)
- 3rd Monday Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
- 27 International Day of Commemoration in memory of victims of the Holocaust

### February

- 12 Lincoln's Birthday (1809)

### March

- 8 United Nations Day for Women's Rights and International Peace (International Women's Day)
- 11 First judges of the International Criminal Court sworn in, The Hague (2003)
- 25 UN Security Council established International Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia (1993)

### April

- 6 Anniversary of the start of the Rwandan genocide (1994)
- 11 Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court ratified by 60th nation, 2002
- 17 Anniversary of the start of the Cambodian genocide (1975)
- 24 Anniversary of the start of the Armenian genocide (1915)

### May

- 1 American Bar Association Law Day
- Last Monday Memorial Day

### June

- 4 International Day of Innocent Children Victims of Aggression
- 19 Juneteenth Day *commemorates the end of slavery in the US*
- 26 International Day in Support of Victims of Torture
- 27 First international court indictment of rape as a war crime, The Hague (1996)

### July

- 1 Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court entered into force (2002)
- 17 International Justice Day *marks the adoption of the Rome Statute* (1998)

### August

- 8 London Charter of the International Military Tribunal set trials of Nazi war criminals (1945)
- 9 International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples
- 12 Adoption of the four Geneva Conventions in their current form (1949)
- 19 Anniversary of death of human rights and victims advocate Sergio Vieira de Mello (1961)





## September

21 International Day of Peace

## October

21 Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949 entered into force (1950)

24 United Nations Day

24-30 Disarmament Week

## November

4 US Senate passed the Proxmire Act, ratifying the 1948 UN Genocide Convention (1988)

8 UN Security Council established International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda (1994)

9 Kristallnacht '*night of broken glass*', seen as a beginning to the Holocaust (1938)

20 Nuremberg Trials of war criminals opened (1945)

Universal Children's Day

21 International Law Commission established (1947)

25 International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women

4th Thursday Thanksgiving

## December

2 International Day for the Abolition of Slavery

10 Human Rights Day

## Selected List of Faith-Based Observances and Commemorations

February Episcopal Church World Mission Sunday (last Sunday of Epiphany of each year)

Feb.-March Purim commemorates prevention of a massacre of Jews (14th day of the Hebrew month of Adar)

March 21 Newroz day of renewal celebrated by Kurds, Persians, and Parsis

March-April Lent (40 days leading up to Easter)

March-April Easter (first Sunday after first full moon following spring equinox)

April-May Yom HaShoah Holocaust Remembrance Day (27th day of the Hebrew month of Nisan)

May-June Vesak Buddha Day, the holiest day of the Buddhist calendar (day of first full moon in May, day of first full moon in June in leap years)

June Race Unity Day Baha'i observance promoting racial harmony and the unity of humanity (2nd Sunday)

July 24 Mormon Pioneer Day celebrates freedom from religious persecution (1847)

Sept.-Oct. Yom Kippur day of atonement (tenth day of the Hebrew month of Tishri)

Nov.-Dec. Advent marks beginning of liturgical year in Western Churches (begins four Sundays before Christmas, ends Christmas Eve)

December 25 Christmas Day

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