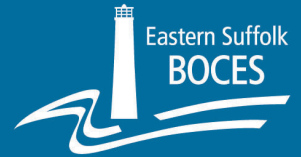


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March Cultural Heritage Highlights



Women's History Month

Women's History Month is a celebration of women's contributions to history, culture and society and has been observed annually in the month of March in the United States since 1987. Women's History Month 2023 will take place from Wednesday, March 1 - Friday, March 31, 2023. This year's theme is "Celebrating Women Who Tell Our Stories."

Women's History Month Events and Information

[March 8 International Women's Day](#)

[Women's History Month 2023: Fun Activities and Events](#)

[Rosalind Franklin: DNA's unsung hero](#)

[Recognizing the Women in International Security Committed to Keeping Our World Safe](#)
[Women of Science](#)



Irish-American Heritage Month

The U.S. Congress designated March as Irish American Heritage Month in 1991 and the president issues a proclamation commemorating the occasion each year. Originally a religious holiday to honor St. Patrick, who introduced Christianity to Ireland in the 5th century, St. Patrick's Day has evolved into a celebration of all things Irish. The world's first St. Patrick's Day parade occurred on March 17, 1762. This parade became an annual event, with President Truman attending in 1948.

To learn more about and sign up for Events about [Irish-American Heritage Month](#)



Greek-American Heritage Month

Greek American Heritage Month, also known as Hellenic Heritage Month, takes place in March. The commemoration of Greek American history is on March 25, the same day as Greece's National Greek Independence Day.

To learn more about [Greek-American History](#)



Neurodiversity Celebration Week

Neurodiversity Celebration Week is a wonderful event designed to recognize and celebrate the strengths of people who are neurodiverse, as well as challenge preconceptions of what they can or cannot achieve. Every year, people and organizations across the globe will join together to create a more accepting, inclusive, and equal society for neurodiverse people.

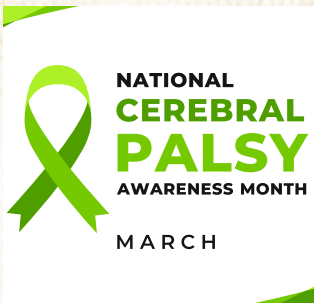
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National Deaf History Month

National Deaf History Month runs from March 13 to April 15. Although National Deaf History Month is not a federally recognized holiday, it's a time to raise awareness about the deaf community and their struggles in our society. The month also focuses on honoring the immense contributions of deaf individuals and the deaf community to our country. During this month, we also get to learn more about the ongoing advocacy work many organizations undertake to make life easier and more inclusive for deaf and hard-of-hearing individuals.

To learn more about [National Deaf History Month](#)



National Cerebral Palsy Awareness Month

During the month of March, individuals living with cerebral palsy as well as family members and activists come together by advocating for the cerebral palsy community. The goal of National Cerebral Palsy Awareness Month is to push for positive change in education programs, the healthcare system, and the job market to give opportunities to those living with [cerebral palsy](#).

To join or learn more about [Cerebral Palsy Support Groups and Organizations](#)

