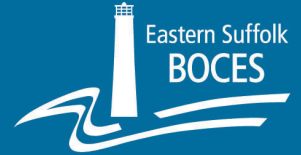


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November Cultural Heritage Highlights



November is Native American Heritage Month, or as it is commonly referred to, American Indian and Alaska Native Heritage Month.

The month is a time to celebrate rich and diverse cultures, traditions, and histories and to acknowledge the important contributions of Native people. Heritage Month is also an opportune time to educate the general public about tribes, to raise a general awareness about the unique challenges Native people have faced both historically and in the present, and the ways in which tribal citizens have worked to conquer these challenges.

Participate in events around Long Island:

Connetquot [National Native American Heritage Month: Oscar Howe Painting Class](#)

Longwood Library [“Be Inspired” Native American Heritage Month](#) (Families with children)

For more information about [Native American Heritage Month](#)



Veterans Day is observed every year on Nov. 11. Veterans Day evolved from Armistice Day, which was proclaimed in 1919 by President Woodrow Wilson.

Armistice Day recognizes the end of World War I, when fighting ceased at the 11th hour, on the 11th day, of the 11th month in 1918. (Nov. 11th at 11 A.M, 1918).

Veterans have many milestones: 2020 marked the 75th anniversary of the end of WWII, the 70th anniversary of the beginning of the Korean War, and the 30th anniversary of both the end of the Panama Invasion and the beginning of Desert Shield.

Did you know:

- World War I armistice was signed on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month.
- There were around 21.8 million veterans in the United States as of 2010.
- There are around 9 million veterans over the age of 65.

[For more information about Veterans Day History](#)

[Video about the history of Veterans Day](#)

[Veterans Day Flag Ceremony at Montauk Playhouse](#)



November 20 Transgender Day of Remembrance

Each year between November 13 – 19, people and organizations around the country participate in Transgender Awareness Week to help raise the visibility about transgender people and address issues members of the community face.

[Transgender Day of Remembrance](#) (TDOR), is an annual observance on November 20 that honors the memory of the transgender people whose lives were lost in acts of anti-transgender violence that year. 2021 marks the most deadly year recorded with at least 45 transgender people, most of them Black or Latinx, killed.

For more information about upcoming events and programs that support the transgender community, visit the [Transgender Resource Center](#)

For more information about [Transgender Awareness Week](#)



All Souls' Day, a Christian holiday commemorating all faithful Christians who are now dead. In the Mexican tradition, the holiday is celebrated as Dia de los Muertos - a time of remembrance for dead ancestors and a celebration of the continuity of life.

Find out more about [All Souls' Day](#)



Thanksgiving Thursday, November 24

Thanksgiving Day is a national holiday in the United States, and Thanksgiving 2022 occurs on Thursday, November 24. In 1621, the Plymouth colonists and the Wampanoag shared an autumn harvest feast that is acknowledged today as one of the first Thanksgiving celebrations in the colonies. For more than two centuries, days of thanksgiving were celebrated by individual colonies and states. It wasn't until 1863, in the midst of the [Civil War](#), that President [Abraham Lincoln proclaimed](#) a national Thanksgiving Day to be held each November.

For more information about the history of [Thanksgiving](#)

