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June Cultural Heritage Highlights



LGBT Pride Month

"Reflect, Empower, Unite" is the 2024 State of New York theme for this year's LGBT Pride Month. Drawing upon the activist history that ignited the movement for LGBTQIA+ rights, the theme encourages individuals, advocates, community leaders and allies to reflect on the challenges they have overcome together and empowers them to act in shaping our collective future. Why was June chosen? Because it is when the Stonewall Riots took place in 1969. Find Out More:

Explore PRIDE Month on PBS: Stonewall Uprising Video NYSED Legal Update and Best Practices LGBTQ Network June 2024 Calendar GLSEN's Educator Guide



National Caribbean American Month

National Caribbean American Heritage month celebrates the culture, history, and contributions of Caribbean Americans, including their impact on American society. June was chosen to honor the arrival of the first documented Caribbean immigrants to the United States on June 2, 1898, at Ellis Island. Learn more about National Caribbean American Month: Explore Caribbean American Heritage Month on PBS NY Caribbean Heritage Month Activities



Aphasia Awareness Month

Aphasia Awareness Month, a time to raise awareness of the language disorder and to recognize people who live with or care for people with aphasia. Aphasia is a communication disorder that can affect speech, writing, and the ability to understand written and spoken language.

Did you know that 40% of stroke survivors have aphasia soon after a stroke? Find out more:

<u>#LetsTalkAphasia</u> <u>Aphasia Awareness Month</u>



Global Alzheimer's and Brain Awareness Month

Alzheimer's is the most common cause of dementia, a general term for memory loss and other cognitive abilities serious enough to interfere with daily life. Alzheimer's disease accounts for 60-80% of dementia cases. Alzheimer's is not a normal part of aging. Find out more about the Alzheimer's Assocation



Flag Day–June 14

We all know the American flag, but how did it come about? Explore the origins of the flag and the history of why we celebrate it on Flag Day with this fun, short video. <u>Find out more about Flag Day</u>



Eid al-Adha begins Sunday June 16 and ends June 20

Eid al-Adha (also spelled Eid ul-Adha) is a Muslim holiday that revolves around the concept of sacrifice. The holiday's name is Arabic and translates as Festival or Feast of Sacrifice. Find out more about Eid al-Adha



May 15–June 15 is Tourette Syndrome Awareness Month

Tourette Syndrome (TS) is part of a spectrum of hereditary, childhood-onset, neurodevelopmental conditions referred to as Tic Disorders. These conditions affect both children and adults, causing them to make sudden, uncontrollable movements and/or sounds called tics. Teal Tuesdays – Wear Teal on Tuesdays: Cover yourself in teal from head to toe! Get creative and post your pictures on social media – clothes, ties, bracelets, buttons, hair, nail polish, face paint – be all in for Tourette awareness! Learn more from the Tourette Association of America.

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Juneteenth-June 19

National Museum of African American History Brooklyn's Juneteenth Weekend Documentary: Juneteeth: Faith & Freedom Join the Town of Brookhaven in celebrating Juneteenth!

