



# Heritage Outreach Planning Calendar



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**This Month:**  
**January 1** Lincoln signed the Emancipation Proclamation.  
**1892** Ellis Island in New York Harbor opened.  
**1942** Twenty-six countries signed the Declaration of the United Nations.  
**January 23, 1849** Elizabeth Blackwell received her M.D., becoming America's first female doctor.

**Birthdays This Month:**  
 Paul Revere, Betty Ross, John Hancock, Martin Luther King Jr., Benjamin Franklin, Douglas MacArthur, Franklin Delano Roosevelt




Make sure there is an annual plan in place for inspection and maintenance of historic structures. Also, be sure to coordinate with your SHPO office for any events related to your state's Archeology Month.

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**AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY MONTH**

In 1926, Dr. Carter G. Woodson instituted the first celebrations to raise awareness of African Americans' contributions to history. Fifty years later, this week-long celebration became a month. February was chosen since it celebrated Abraham Lincoln's and Frederick Douglass's birthdays – two Americans who dramatically affected the lives of African Americans.

**Doris "Dorie" Miller** was an African American cook in the United States Navy and a hero during the Dec. 7, 1941, attack on Pearl Harbor. He was the first African American to be awarded the Navy Cross for his heroic deeds that day.

**TUSKEGEE AIRMEN**  
 Prior to 1940, African Americans were banned from flying for the U.S. military. Pressure from civil organizations and black press resulted in an all-African American air squadron who became known as the Tuskegee Airmen. "Tuskegee Airmen" refers to the Army Air Corps program to train African Americans to fly and maintain combat aircraft. This group included pilots, navigators, bombardiers, maintenance and support staff, instructors, and other support staff. The Tuskegee Airmen overcame incredible prejudice to become one of the most respected aerial fighter groups of WWII. Their achievements paved the way to full U.S. military integration.




Many installations have cultural resources related to African American heritage. African American history month offers excellent opportunities for outreach.

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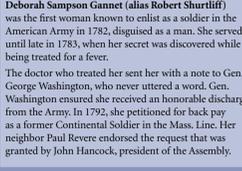
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**National Women's History Month**

National Women's History Month was established by presidential proclamation in order to draw attention and improve the focus on women in historical studies. The public celebration of women's history in the U.S. began in 1978 as Women's History Week. In 1987, Congress declared March as National Women's History Month.

**Deborah Sampson Gannett (alias Robert Shurtliff)** was the first woman known to enlist as a soldier in the American Army in 1782, disguised as a man. She served until late in 1783, when her secret was discovered while being treated for a fever. The doctor who treated her sent her with a note to Gen. George Washington, who never uttered a word. Gen. Washington ensured she received an honorable discharge from the Army. In 1792, she petitioned for back pay as a former Continental Soldier in the Mass. Line. Her neighbor Paul Revere endorsed the request that was granted by John Hancock, president of the Assembly.

**Joy Bright Hancock, "Lady in the Navy"**  
 "It would appear to me that any national defense weapon known to be of value should be developed and kept in good working order and not allowed to rust or to be abolished." Capt. Joy Bright Hancock told members of the U.S. Senate in 1947 during hearings on whether to make women permanent members of the U.S. Armed Services. Capt. Hancock was among the first group of women ever to serve in the Navy as WWI Yeomen (F). She was a principal voice for women's equality in the military, retiring from active duty in June 1953.

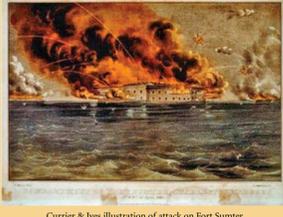



proponents know that all requests for archaeological survey must be submitted for the field season.

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**April Dates in History**  
**April 12, 1864** – Confederates under Gen. Beauregard opened fire with 50 cannons upon Fort Sumter in Charleston, South Carolina. The Civil War begins.  
**April 9, 1865** – The U.S. Civil War ended as Gen. Robert E. Lee surrendered to Gen. Ulysses S. Grant at Appomattox Courthouse.  
**April 14, 1865** – President Abraham Lincoln was shot and mortally wounded.  
**April 6, 1917** – The United States entered WWI.  
**April 4, 1949** – The North Atlantic Treaty was signed to protect western nations from Soviet aggression, creating NATO.  
**April 17, 1961** – Bay of Pigs invasion.



Administrative Professionals Day is an excellent opportunity to build relationships across the installation with key supporters of cultural resources.

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**Asian Pacific American Heritage Month**

In 1979, a congressional proclamation established Asian Pacific American Heritage Week, which was expanded to a month-long celebration in 1990 under presidential decree. The month of May was chosen to commemorate two significant events in U.S. history: the arrival of the first Japanese immigrants in the U.S. on May 7, 1843, and the completion of the transcontinental railroad on May 10, 1869. The diversity and common experiences of many ethnic groups are celebrated during Asian Pacific American Heritage Month.

**Hiroshi H. Miyamura**  
 U.S. Army Staff Sgt. Miyamura was awarded the Medal of Honor for his distinguished and gallant actions during the Korean War. His was the first Medal of Honor classified as Top Secret because Miyamura was a prisoner of war when he received the award. The fact was that if his captors knew his status and actions, he would be singled out for torture and death. Miyamura was released on August 20, 1953.

The 442nd Infantry Regiment of the United States Army was an Asian American unit consisting of mainly Japanese Americans who fought in Europe during WWII. While these soldiers were at war, many of their families were kept in internment camps in the U.S. This group became the most highly decorated military unit in the U.S. Armed Forces, with 21 Medal of Honor recipients.




are ready for public visitation. Placing staff members at the cemeteries provides oral history opportunities.

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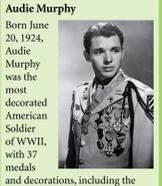
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**Audie Murphy**  
 Born June 20, 1924, Audie Murphy was the most decorated American Soldier of WWII, with 37 medals and decorations, including the Medal of Honor. He later became an actor in western and war movies, making more than 45 films including *The Red Badge of Courage* and *To Hell and Back*.

**Nathan Hale: America's First Spy**  
 Considered by many to be America's first spy, Nathan Hale (born June 6, 1775) volunteered during the American Revolution for an intelligence-gathering mission but was captured by the British. Hale was ordered to be hanged and was heard to say, "I only regret that I have but one life to lose for my country."

June 6, 1944, D-Day, marks the largest amphibious landing in history. Allied forces landed along the coast of France to free Europe from Hitler's grasp.

Many Native American traditional cultural properties may lie in with important celestial events throughout the year. The summer solstice or longest day of the year is June 21.





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**July 4**  
 Independence Day is a federal holiday commemorating the adoption of the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776, proclaiming the United States of America independent from the Kingdom of Great Britain.

Many installations have children's summer programs. Coordination with these efforts can offer excellent opportunities to teach military personnel and their families appreciation for the installation's unique cultural heritage.




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**August 18, 1920**  
 The 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution was ratified, giving women the right to vote.

August 4 is celebrated as National Coast Guard Day, honoring the men and women who protect our shores and waters.

Remember: Cultural resources rank second only after human life in terms of protection priorities during wildland fire events. Make sure your program plays an active role in developing the wildland fire plan.





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**National Hispanic-Latino Heritage Month**

Hispanic-Latino heritage has been nationally celebrated since 1968 to honor the culture, heritage, and contributions of Hispanic Americans.

Don't forget to build strong relationships with academic institutions in your region. Dissertation research not only supports installation efforts but also provides additional scientific and laboratory expertise.

**MSG Roy P. Benavidez**  
 Roy P. Benavidez was a Special Forces soldier in the U.S. Army who served with honor and distinction during the Vietnam War. He was awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor for his brave deeds. He was part of the highly classified Studies and Observation Group, where he went under the code name Tingo Mike/Mike, which stood for "That Mean Mexican." Benavidez' patriotism is best summed up in his own words: "I believe that there is no greater calling for a man or woman to serve in the military of a free nation. I believe that it is a calling that transcends all others because imbedded deep within the soul of every free man or woman is the knowledge that every freedom we have was earned for us by our ancestors, who paid some price for that freedom. Each and every generation must learn those lessons, and they are best learned by doing. The strength of every free nation depends on this transfer of knowledge. Only through the transfer of knowledge from generation to generation will free men survive."



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**National Disability Employment Awareness Month**

In 1945, Congress, with the aim of helping disabled veterans, designated the first week in October as National Employ the Physically Handicapped Week. It wasn't until the 1970s that national policy declared that it was discriminatory to exclude or segregate people because of a disability. The 1990s saw the passage of the Americans with Disabilities Act and a full-month celebration to increase public awareness.

Consider school field trips not just as touring opportunities but also as potential field support. Older, prepared, students may enjoy shovel testing or working in excavation units.




October 27  
**Navy Day**

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**National American Indian Heritage Month**

"Against all odds, America's first peoples have endured, and they remain a vital cultural, political, social, and moral presence," President Clinton noted in 1996. November is now the official month to raise awareness of the contributions American Indians have made in the U.S. This month recognizes hundreds of different tribes and approximately 250 languages and celebrates the history, tradition, and values of American Indians.

**1st Lt. Ernest Childers, Medal of Honor Recipient**  
 "The American Indian has only one country to defend, and when you're picked on, the American Indian never turns his back." – E. Childers, 2001  
 Childers, a Native American Creek from Oklahoma, was second lieutenant with the 45th Infantry Division when he received the Medal of Honor for heroic action in 1943. Up against machine gun fire, he and eight men charged the enemy. While suffering from a broken foot, Childers advanced up a hill, single-handedly killing two snipers, silencing two machine gun nests, and capturing an enemy mortar observer. Childers, who retired in 1965, first arrived at Fort Drum, New York (then Pine Camp), on Nov. 8, 1942, to train before going overseas.




Native Americans have the highest record of service per capita when compared to other ethnic groups. A proud warrior tradition of willingness to engage the enemy in battle is one explanation for the disproportionate contribution of military service.

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**December 15: Bill of Rights Day**  
 The Bill of Rights limits the powers of the federal government, protecting the rights of all citizens, residents, and visitors on U.S. soil.

**December 17, 1903**  
**First Flight by the Wright Brothers**

In the spirit of giving, think about encouraging volunteers to help with your program. Save interesting tasks that are also easy to supervise to delegate to volunteers.

The "date which will live in infamy" Dec. 7, 1941, Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor was one of the single most defining moments of the 20th century. This carefully planned, well-executed action by the Japanese Empire brought the United States into World War II as a full combatant.





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