# **OUR** //SB Diversity and Inclusion Calendar 2023-2024

### **September**

- 10 16 Mennonite Heritage Week
- 15 17 Rosh Hashana Ψ
  - 19 Ganesh Chaturthi 30
  - International Day of Sign Languages
  - 24 Kol Nidrei Ψ
- 24 25 Yom Kippur Ψ
- **Gender Equality Week**
- Int'l Week of the Deaf 24 - 30 People
- 26 27 Mawlid-al-Nabi
  - 29 Sukkot Begins Ψ
  - National Day of Truth and Reconciliation / Orange **Shirt Day**

### October

**German Heritage Month Canadian Islamic History Month Community Inclusion Month** Latin American Heritage Month **LGBT History Month** Women's History Month

- 1 National Seniors Day
- 6 Sukkot Ends \(\Psi\)
- 7 8 Simchat Torah 🖤
- 10 World Mental Health Day
- 11 National Coming Out Day
- International Day of the Girl
- 15 24 **Navaratri** 30
  - 18 Persons Day
  - 18 International Pronouns Day
  - 19 **Spirit Day**
  - 20 Installation of Scriptures as Guru Granth (1)
  - 24 Dussehra 30
  - 24 Youth Climate Action Day
  - 26 Intersex Awareness Day



### November

### **Indigenous Disability Awareness Month**

- 1 Musqueam Day
- 5 Trans Parent Day
- 7 National Inuit Day
- **Trans Awareness Week** 
  - Indigenous Veterans Day
  - Remembrance Day
  - Diwali/Dandi Chhor Divas
- **Multiculturalism Week** 12 - 18
- International Day for Tolerance
  - Metis Day
  - World Child Day
- Transgender Day of Remembrance
- Martyrdom of Guru Tegh Bahdur (1)
- **Holodomor Memorial Day**
- **Birthday of Guru Nanak** Dev Sahib (1)

### December

- 1 World AIDS Day
- 2 International Day for **Abolition of Slavery**
- 3 International Day of **Persons with Disabilities**
- 6 National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women
- 7 15 Hannukah 🕎
  - 8 Bodhi Day
  - International Day of Commemoration and Dignity of the Victims of the Crime of Genocide and of the Prevention of this Crime
  - **Human Rights Day**
  - Winter Soltice (Northern Hemisphere)
  - Christmas Eve
  - **Quviasukvik Begins**
  - Christmas +
  - 26 Kwanzaa Begins

### January 2024

#### **Tamil Heritage Month**

- 1 Kwanzaa Ends
- 1 Ochetookeskaw Kissing Day - Hand Shaking Day (Métis)
- 2 Mid Winter Ceremony
- 14 Maghi 🏚
- 15 Shevat ₩
- 15 Black Excellence Day
- 17 Raoul Wallenberg Day
- Guru Gobindh Singh Birthday/Prakash (1)
- Lincoln Alexander Day
- World Day for African and **Afrodescendant Culture**
- 25 Mahayana New Year
- Int'l Holocaust **Remembrance Day**
- National Day of Remebrance of the **Quebec City Mosque Attack and Action Against** Islamophobia

# **Black History Month**

### **February**

#### **Black History Month**

- 10 Lunar New Year/Hoobiyee/ Têt/
- 10 Moose Hide Campaign
- 14 Vasant Panchami
- 14 Ash Wednesday +
- 14 National Day of Action to **Honour Missing Murdered** Indigenous Women, Girls, Trans and 2-Spirited
- 15 Nirvana Day 🛞
- World Day of Social Justice
- Int'l Mother Language Day Lantern Festival 🛞
- Magha Puja Day
- 28 Pink Shirt Day

### March

### Irish Heritage Month

- 1 Zero Discrimination Day
- 8 Maha Shivaratri 🕉
- 8 International Women's Day
- 10 9 Ramadan Begins (Ends April 9) **(**⋆
  - 15 International Day to Combat Islamophobia
  - 19 Nowruz Iranian (Persian) **New Year**
  - 21 World Down Syndrome Day
  - 21 International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination
- 23 24 Purim 🖤
- 25 27 Hola Mohalla (1)
  - 25 **Holi 3**0
  - International Day of Remembrance of Slavery Victims and the Transatlantic Slave Trade
  - 29 Good Friday +
  - 31 International Trans Day of Visibility
  - 31 Easter Sunday +

### **April**

#### Sikh Heritage Month

**Genocide Remembrance, Condemnation** & Prevention Month

- 1 Easter Monday †
- 9 Ramadan Ends (\*
- 9 17 Chaitra Navratri 30 9 - 10 9 or 10 Eid-al-Fitr
  - Celebration (\*
  - 13 Vaisakhi 🏚
  - 14 International Day of Pink
  - 14 Bangla Heritage Week

Pesach (Passover)

- 17 Ram Navami 30
- 23 24 Hanuman Jayanti 🕉

### May

#### **Asian Heritage Month**

#### **Canadian Jewish Heritage Month**

- 5 Cinco-de-Mayo
- 5 Dutch Heritage Day
- 5 Red Dress Day
- 5 6 Yom HaShoah (Holocaust Remembrance Day) \|
- 10 Bear Witness Day
- 15 Buddha's Birthday
- 17 International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia (IDAHOT)
- 19 25 Anti-Racism Awareness Week
  - **World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue Development**
  - 23 Anniversary of Komagata
  - 24 24 Vesak/Wesak/Buddha Day/Visakha/Puja (\*\*)

### June

National Indigenous Heritage Month **Italian Heritage Month** 

**Pride Season Begins** 

### Filipino Heritage Month **Portuguese Heritage Month**

- 11 13 Shavuot ₩ 14 - 19 The Haji (\*
  - 16 Guru Arjan Martyrdom **Q**
  - 17 Eid al-Adha
  - 21 National Indigenous People's Day
  - 23 National Day of **Remembrance for Victims** of Terrorism
  - 24 St. Jean-Baptiste Day
  - 27 Canadian Multiculturalism



## July

### **Disability Pride Month**

- 1 Sant Teja Day
- 14 International Non-Binary People's Day
- 17 The Islamic New Year (Arabic New Year or Hijri New Year) (\*
- 18 Nelson Mandela Day
- 20 23 Métis Nation Day
- 22 26 Chinese Cultural Heritage Week



## **August**

- 1 Emancipation Day
- 9 International Day of the World's Indigenous People
- 12 International Youth Day
- National Acadian Day Birth of Lord Krishna -

Janmashtami 🕉

Symbols for Religious Days of Significance

The symbols in the table below are widely known to represent International organized religions





Sikhism