Diversity Calendar 2020

**January**

19 Jan: LGBTI Midsumma Carnival

14 Jan: Orthodox New Year

19 Jan: World Religion Day

25 Jan: Chinese New Year, Year of the Rat

26 Jan: Survival Day

**February**

2 Feb: Midsumma Pride March

13 Feb: National Apology Day

21-23 Feb: National Multicultural Festival

20 Feb: World Day of Social Justice

**March**

1 Mar: Zero Discrimination Day

1-7 Mar: Hearing Awareness Week in Aust.

3 Mar: World Hearing Day

8 Mar: International Women’s Day

9-10 Mar: Holi Festival

9 Mar: Labour Day

15-21 Mar: Harmony Week

21-29 Mar: Cultural Diversity Week, Vic.

17 Mar: St Patrick’s Day

21 Mar: Harmony Day

23 Mar: Atheist Day

19 Mar: National Close the Gap Day

21 Mar: International Day for the Elimination   
 of Racial Discrimination

30 Mar: World Bipolar Day

31 Mar: National Transgender Visibility Day

*\*Some dates not confirmed/announced at time of publication*

**April**

All month: Celebrate Diversity Month,   
 Autism Awareness Month

2 Apr: World Autism Day

3-12 Apr: Victorian Youth Week

7 Apr: World Health Day

8-16 Apr: Passover

9 Apr: Theravada New Year

12 Apr: Easter Sunday

19 Apr: Orthodox Easter

22 Apr: Earth Day

23 Apr: Ramadan commences

25 Apr: ANZAC Day

29 Apr: International Guide Dogs Day

**May**

7 May: Vesak/Buddha Day

16 May: International Day of Living   
 Together in Peace

17 May: International Day Against  
 Homophobia, Transphobia & Biphobia

21 May: Global Accessibility Awareness Day

21 May: World Day for Cultural Diversity   
 for Dialogue and Development (UN)

23-24 Jun: Eid ul Fitr

23 May: Ramadan concludes

26 May: National Sorry Day

27 May: 1967 Referendum Anniversary

27 May-3 Jun: Reconciliation Week

28-30 May: Shavuot

**June**

3 Jun: Mabo Day

10 Jun: Flexible Working Day

10-16 June: Men’s Health Week

16-22 June: Refugee Week

20 June: World Refugee Day

**July**

4 Jul: Dharma Day

5-12 Jul: NAIDOC Week

28 Jul: The Hajj commences

30 Jul: International Day of Friendship

30 Jul: Eid al-Adha commences

**August**

2 Aug: The Hajj concludes

3 Aug: Eid al-Adha concludes

4 Aug: National Aboriginal and Torres   
 Strait Islander Children’s Day

9 Aug: International Day of the World’s   
 Indigenous People

19 Aug: World Humanitarian Day

19 Aug: Muharram/Islamic New Year

31 Aug: Wear it Purple Day\*   
 to support LGBTI Youth

**September**

2 Sep: Indigenous Literacy Day

6-12 Sep: National Child Protection Week

7-11 Sep: Women’s Health Week

10 Sep: World Suicide Prevention Day

10 Sep: R U OK? Day

23 Sep: International Day of Sign Languages

19-25 Sep: National Week of Deaf People

23 Sep: Bisexuality Visibility Day

18-20 Sep: Jewish New Year (Rosh Hashana)

27-28 Sep: Yom Kippur Jewish Festival

**October**

All month: Mental Health Month,   
 Indigenous Business Month

1 Oct: International day of Older Persons

1 Oct: International Pronouns Day

2 Oct: International Day of Non-Violence

7-13 Oct: Dyslexia Awareness Week

8 Oct: International Lesbian Day

10 Oct: World Mental Health Day

10-17 Oct: Mental Health Week

12-18 Oct: National Carers Week\*

26 Oct: Intersex Awareness Day

**November**

11 Nov: Remembrance Day

14 Nov: Diwali, Hindu Festival of Lights

19 Nov: International Men’s Day

20 Nov: Transgender Day of Remembrance

25 Nov: International Day for the Elimination  
 of Violence Against Women/White  
 Ribbon Day

30 Nov: Guru Nanak Jayanthi Sikh Festival

**December**

1 Dec: World AIDS Day

3 Dec: International Day of   
 People with A Disability

10 Dec: International Human Rights Day

18 Dec: International Migrants Day

10-18 Dec: Chanukah, Jewish Festival of Lights

25 Dec: Christmas



Calendar compiled from the following resources

Australian Gov’t Mental Health Commission Events Calendar (http://www.health.gov.au/internet/main/publishing.nsf/Content/health-pubs-calendar-index.htm),

Australian Government Harmony Day Calendar of Events (https://www.harmony.gov.au/events/calendar/),   
UN International Days Calendar (http://www.un.org/en/sections/observances/international-days/),   
Australian Government Health Days calendar (http://www.health.gov.au/internet/main/publishing.nsf/Content/health-pubs-calendar-index.htm),   
Australian Calendar of Events (https://www.australia.gov.au/about-australia/special-dates-and-events),   
Australian Pride Network Calendar (http://australianpridenetwork.com.au/lgbtiq-festivals/victoria/),   
Disability Awareness Days Calendar (https://www.and.org.au/pages/disability-related-events-calendar.html)

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*We also recommend the Faith Communities Council of Victoria Multifaith Calendar for a full listing of religious festivals and days (https://www.faithvictoria.org.au/calendar).*

*All Dates correct at time of Publication*