

World Day for Cultural Diversity

Held every year on 21 May, the World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development celebrates not only the richness of the world's cultures, but also the essential role of intercultural dialogue for achieving peace and sustainable development. The United Nations General Assembly first declared this World Day in 2002, following UNESCO's adoption of the 2001 Universal Declaration on Cultural Diversity, recognizing the need to "enhance the potential of culture as a means of achieving prosperity, sustainable development and global peaceful coexistence.



Here's some ways to celebrate the day and develop your own understanding of cultural diversity:

- Rent a movie or read a book from another country or religion than your own.
- Explore music of a different culture.
- Invite people from a different culture to share your customs.
- Go to a restaurant serving a type of cuisine you've never tasted before.
- Visit an art exhibit or a museum dedicated to other cultures.

Join us and celebrate World Day for Cultural Diversity!