Diversity Events Calendar
June 2026

June invites us into a season of reflection, renewal, and shared celebration, a time to honor the rich cultures, faith traditions, identities, and lived experiences that shape our communities and our world. Throughout the month, we recognize meaningful observances, celebrate cultural heritage, and reflect on global awareness days that both highlight our differences and remind us of our shared humanity.

At CPCS, these moments are more than dates on a calendar; they are opportunities to come together with purpose and understanding. They encourage us to listen with compassion, learn from one another, and lead with empathy, curiosity, and respect. Through these shared experiences, we strengthen the connections that unite us and help create an environment where every person feels seen, heard, valued, and supported.

As we move through June, may we continue to grow both individually and collectively, guided by our ongoing commitment to equity, inclusion, belonging, and mutual respect. Together, we can foster a community where diversity is celebrated, understanding deepens, and everyone has the opportunity to thrive.

Month-Long Observances	***Focus / Why It Matters***
Pride Month (LGBTQIAA+)	*Celebrates LGBTQ+ communities, promotes equality, and raises awareness of LGBTQ+ history and rights.*
Caribbean American Heritage Month	*Recognizes the history, culture, and contributions of Caribbean Americans.*
Portuguese American Heritage Month	*Celebrates the history, culture, and contributions of Portuguese Americans and Portuguese-speaking communities.*
National Family Unification Month	*Highlights the importance of safely keeping families together and supporting healing, stability, and reunification for children and families.*
Black Music Month	*Honors the influence, history, and cultural impact of Black musicians and musical traditions.*

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National Immigrant Heritage Month	Honors the contributions, cultures, and experiences of immigrants in the United States.
Black Lives Matter Month	Raises awareness of racial justice, honors Black lives and experiences, and promotes equity and inclusion.
National PTSD Awareness Month	Raises awareness about post-traumatic stress disorder and supports those affected.
Alzheimer's & Brain Awareness Month	Promote awareness, education, and support for people living with Alzheimer's disease and other brain disorders.
National Safety Month	Encourages practices that help prevent injuries and create safer communities and workplaces.
Aphasia Awareness Month	Raise awareness about aphasia and support individuals living with communication disorders.
National Cancer Survivors Month	Celebrate cancer survivors and raise awareness about survivorship and support services.
Men's Health Month	Encourages awareness of preventable health issues and promotes healthy living for men and boys.
Gun Violence Awareness Month	Honors victims of gun violence and promotes community safety and prevention efforts.

June Holidays and Anniversaries of Culturally Significant Events

Date	Event / Observance	Focus / Why It Matters
June 2nd	American Indian Citizenship Day	Event recognizing the granting, in 1924, of U.S. citizenship to Native Americans
June 4th	International Day of Innocent Children Victims of Aggression	Raise awareness of the suffering experienced by children affected by violence and conflict.

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June 4th *Observed on* *June 7th*	***Feast of Corpus Christi***	*Honors the Eucharist and celebrates faith, worship, and Christian tradition.*
June 5th	***HIV Long-Term Survivors Awareness Day***	*honors long-term HIV survivors and raises awareness of their experiences and resilience.*
June 6th	***National Higher Education Day***	*Highlights the value of education and lifelong learning.*
June 12th	***Loving v. Virginia Day***	*Ended laws banning interracial marriage and advanced civil rights and equality in the United States.*
June 12th	***World Day Against Child Labor***	*Raises awareness about child labor and supports children's rights and education.*
June 13th	***Feast of St. Anthony***	*Honor the life and work of St. Anthony of Padua, who accomplished many things during his short time in this world as a priest.*
June 14th	***Flag Day***	*Honors the history and symbolism of the United States flag.*
June 14th	***Race Unity Day (Bahá'í)***	*Promote equality, inclusion, and unity across communities.*
June 14th	***National Puerto Rican Day Parade***	*Celebrates Puerto Rican culture, heritage, and contributions to society.*
June 15th	***World Elder Abuse Awareness Day***	*Raises awareness about the abuse and mistreatment of older adults.*
June 16th	***Martyrdom of Guru Arjan Dev Sahib***	*Honors the sacrifice of the fifth Sikh Guru and reflects themes of resilience and faith.*

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June 16-17th	***Muharram***	*Marks the Islamic New Year and is a time for reflection, remembrance, and spiritual renewal.*
June 18th	***International Day for Countering Hate Speech***	*Promotes respect, inclusion, and awareness of the harmful impact of hate speech and discrimination.*
June 18th	***Autistic Pride Day***	*Celebrates neurodiversity and promotes acceptance of autistic individuals.*
June 19th	***Juneteenth***	*Commemorates the end of slavery in the United States and celebrates freedom and resilience*
June 19th	***World Sickle Cell Awareness Day***	*Raises awareness of sickle cell disease and its impact on communities worldwide*
June 20th	***World Refugee Day***	*Honors the strength and courage of refugees worldwide.*
June 20-22nd	***Litha / Summer Solstice***	*Spiritually significant in Pagan and Wiccan traditions as a celebration of light and renewal. This year's solstice occurs on June 21 (3:25 a.m. CDT)*
June 21st	***Father's Day***	*Recognizes fathers and father figures for their support and guidance.*
June 21st	***World Humanist Day***	*Celebrates humanist values, ethics, and shared humanity.*
June 21st	***June Solstice***	*Marks the beginning of summer and holds cultural and spiritual significance in many traditions.*
June 27th	***Helen Keller Day***	*Honors disability rights advocacy and accessibility awareness.*
June 27th	***National HIV Testing Day***	*Encourages HIV testing, awareness, and access to healthcare resources.*

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June 29th	***Feast of Saints Peter and Paul***	*Honors two foundational apostles in Christianity.*

JUNETEENTH CELEBRATIONS ACROSS MASSACHUSETTS

Andover

June 20th	Andover's 2026 Juneteenth Celebration

Boston

June 4th	Juneteenth Celebration
June 4th	Trustees - Juneteenth Celebration
June 10th	Joyful Juneteenth Florals Workshop
June 18th	Juneteenth Underground Railroad Tour of Beacon Hill
June 18th	Juneteenth Flag Raising Ceremony
June 18th	Juneteenth Celebration- Boston Public Library
June 18th	Juneteenth Unlimited with Wee the People
June 19th	MAAH – Freedom A Juneteenth Celebration
June 19th	SOUL & SOUND: Chapter III - JUNETEENTH PT II
June 19th	MFA Boston Museum
June 20th	Juneteenth Picnic
June 20th	Boston Landmark Orchestra – Celebrates Juneteenth
June 20th	Franklin Park Juneteenth Celebration

Brockton

June 13th	Juneteenth – Freedom Day

Brookline

June 19th	Juneteenth - Brookline Carnival Celebration

Cambridge

June 18th	Open Space - Celebrate Juneteenth!
June 19th	2026 JUNETEENTH - Roots, Culture & Community

Fitchburg

June 20th	Fitchburg's 4th Annual Juneteenth Celebration

Greenfield

June 19th	Greenfield's 5th Annual Juneteenth

Holyoke

June 19th	Celebrate Juneteenth at Wistariahurst Museum

Lynn

June 20th	Juneteenth Celebration 2026

Malden

June 19th	9th Annual Malden Juneteenth Freedom

New Bedford

June 19th	The Juneteenth Black Party

Newton

June 19th	6th Annual Newton Juneteenth Celebration 2026

Pittsfield

June 21st	Juneteenth Celebration 2026

Salem

June 19th	Juneteenth - Celebrate the Day of Freedom

Springfield

June 19th	Juneteenth - Springfield Symphony Orchestra

Waltham

June 19th	Waltham Boys & Girls Club Juneteenth Celebration

Westford

June 19th	Westford's 3rd Annual Juneteenth Flag Raising & Community Reading

Worcester

June 19th	Juneteenth Flag Raising
June 19th	Black Heritage - Juneteenth Festival



Pride Month Events 2026

ACTON

June 27th	***Acton-Westford Pride Fest***

BOSTON

June 1st	***Drag Queen Story Time***
June 1st	***Pride Kickoff — Annual Pride Flag Raising and Resource and Job Fair***
June 2nd	***Live, Love, Learn: A Panel Discussion***
June 2nd	***Gay Pride Trivia with Jonny Minogue***
June 4th	***Out in Tech Boston Pride Month Kickoff!***
June 5th	***First Fridays at the MFA, Pride Edition***
June 5th	***Boston Pride Run***
June 6th	***Road of Rainbows 5K***
June 6th	***Boston Pride for the People***
June 6th	***Pride Festival & Block Party***
June 10th	***PFLAG Pride Celebration with the Boston City Council***
June 11th	***Drag Bingo Night with Rose Quartz***

June 14th	***BTC's Outdoor Pride Celebration***
June 26th	***Pride Night at WNDR Museum***
June 26th	***Queer History Pride Party***

BEDFORD

June 14 th	***Bedford Pride Event***

BEVERLY

June 5th	***Pride Shabbat Service***

BROCKTON

June 1st	***LGBTQIA+ Pride Month Flag Raising***

CAMBRIDGE

June 21st	***LGBTQ Pride Walk***

CONCORD

June 6th	***Concord Pride Fest***

FALL RIVER

June 7th	***Fall River Pride Festival***

HOLYYOKE

June 21st	***Holyoke Celebrates Pride All June Long***

LAWRENCE

June 6th	Lawrence PRIDE 2026!

LOWELL

June 14th	Greater Lowell Pride Celebration

MEDFORD

June 3rd	Annual Pride Flag Raising and Festival

NEWTON

June 3rd	Newton Celebrates Pride Month

NEWBURYPORT

June 6th	Newburyport Pride Parade

PROVINCETOWN

June 4-7th	Provincetown Pride

QUINCY

June 27th	Quincy Pride

REVERE

June 28th	***The 5th Annual Revere Beach Pride Month Celebration***

SALEM

June 13th	***Pride Parade & Block Party 2026***
June 26th	***Mahi Mahi Pride Cruise***
June 27th	***North Shore Pride 2026***

SPRINGFIELD

June 4-6th	***Springfield Pride Parade Weekend***
June 6th	***Pride Parade Block Party***

TAUNTON

June 27th	***Pride Celebration***

TOPSFIELD

June 7th	***2026 Tri-Town Pride Parade***

WESTFORD

June 27th	Acton-Westford Pride Fest

WORCESTER

June 1st	Pride Flag Raising
June 7th	Worcester Art Museum - Free Day: Pride Celebration