

# Programme Information Highlights

October 2018



## Happening this month...

### Monday 1<sup>st</sup> - Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October

Concurs de Castells, Tarragona  
Traditional Spanish festival in which teams of people compete to form the best human towers.

### Monday 1<sup>st</sup> October

NASA's 60th anniversary celebrations  
US space agency formally celebrates its anniversary. NASA was created on July 29, 1958 when President Eisenhower signed the National Aeronautics and Space Act into law. The agency marks its birthday as October 1, the date when it became operational.

### Friday 5<sup>th</sup> October

Nobel Peace Prize winner announced, Norway  
The Peace Prize winner will be named prior to a presentation being made in December. Prize money is around £700,000.

### Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> - Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> October

Summer Youth Olympic Games, Buenos Aires  
Athletes aged from 14 to 18 from around the world compete in a variety of Olympic sports in Argentina.

### Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> October

General Election, Bosnia and Herzegovina  
Voters head to polls to elect the President and Vice President, as well as 42 members of the House of Representatives who in turn appoint 15 members to the House of Peoples.



A young casteller of the Colla Jove Xiquets de Tarragona 'colle' climbs up a human tower during the 22nd Tarragona Castells Competition on October 5, 2008 in Tarragona, Spain. (Photo by Jasper Juinen/Getty Images)

### Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> - Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> October

BFI London Film Festival, UK  
World-famous celebration of cinema hosts over 180 feature films and 130 short films from around 50 countries.

### Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> October

ISS resupply mission  
Russian government will launch 71st Progress cargo delivery ship to the International Space Station (ISS) aboard a Soyuz rocket.

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### Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October

Royal wedding, UK

Princess Eugenie and Jack Brooksbank will tie the knot after dating for seven years. 1,200 members of the public have been invited into the grounds of Windsor Castle, where they can watch the arrival of the congregation, listen to a live broadcast of the service and watch the bride and groom as they depart.

### Friday 19<sup>th</sup> - Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> October

Arctic Circle Assembly, Reykjavík

Largest network of international dialogue and co-operation on the future of the Arctic gathers for annual session in Iceland.

### Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> - Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> October

Invictus Games, Sydney, Australia

Fourth Games for wounded servicemen and women founded by Prince Harry. First three editions were held in London, Florida and Toronto.

### Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> - Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> October

Netherlands King and Queen visit the UK

King Willem-Alexander and Queen Máxima of the Netherlands will pay a state visit to the UK, at the request of Queen Elizabeth II. The couple will be accompanied by Netherlands Foreign Minister Stef Blok.

### Monday 29<sup>th</sup> - Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> October

Our Ocean conference, Bali

The Government of Indonesia hosts the fifth Our Ocean conference. Last year's speakers included Maltese Prime Minister Joseph Muscat and Prince Charles.



Team United Kingdom tips off against Team Australia in the Wheelchair Basketball Pool Match against Team Australia during the Invictus Games on September 28, 2017 in Toronto, Canada (Photo by Harry How/Getty Images for the Invictus Games Foundation)

### Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> October

New York's Village Halloween Parade, USA

Largest Halloween event in the world. Main attraction is a parade of 50,000 costumed marchers, street performers and marching bands.