

Programme Information Highlights

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Happening this month...

Tuesday 1st January

Kim Jong Un's annual New Year's address, North Korea
North Korean leader delivers his annual address.

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US tariffs on Chinese products increase
The US begins collecting a 25 percent tariff on approximately \$200 billion worth of imports from China in response to 'China's unfair trade practices related to the forced transfer of American technology and intellectual property.'

Thursday 3rd January

Chandrayaan-2 launch, India
Country's second lunar spacecraft launches on the Geosynchronous Satellite Launch Vehicle (GSLV). Aboard is a rover which will land on the moon and collect rock samples, transmitting the data back to Earth.

Thursday 3rd January – Monday 14th January

Palm Springs International Film Festival, USA
Over 200 films from 70 countries will be screened at the festival featuring domestic and international screenings, plus an awards gala.

Sunday 6th – Thursday 17th January

Dakar Rally, South America
Billed as the toughest rally in the world the race covers over 9,000km of desert through multiple South American countries. Begins and ends in Peru this year.



Mini's Finnish driver Mikko Hirvonen and German co-driver Andreas Schulz compete during the 2018 Dakar Rally's Stage 12 between Chilecito and San Juan, in Argentina, on January 18, 2018 (Photo by FRANCK FIFE/AFP/Getty Images)

Tuesday 8th – Friday 11th January

International Consumer Electronics Show (CES), Las Vegas, USA
The world's largest consumer technology trade show focuses on content media, delivery and hardware. Features over 3,100 exhibitors showcasing more than 20,000 new products.

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US Temperatures and Climate Conditions report
Officials from NASA and the US National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) release annual climate change report, looking at US temperature conditions and changes based on historical observations.

Monday 14th – Sunday 27th January

Australian Open, Melbourne
First Grand Slam tennis tournament of the year which is played on hard courts. Last year's winners included Roger Federer (Men's Singles) and Caroline Wozniacki (Women's Singles)

Monday 14th – Thursday 17th January

World Future Energy Summit, Abu Dhabi, UAE
A forum focusing on energy policies and strategies, green property and sustainable architecture.

Monday 21st January – Tuesday 19th February

Madhav Narayan, Nepal
Month-long ceremony of fasting, bathing and studying in the historic Nepali city of Bhaktapur. The Hindu festival also sees an unusual ceremony involving devotees rolling on sheets laid out on the ground before bathing.

Tuesday 22nd January

The Academy Awards nominations announcement
Nominations for annual film awards are announced from Hollywood at 1330 GMT.



Oscar nominees including Steven Spielberg, Gary Oldman, Saoirse Ronan, Meryl Streep and Mary J. Blige attend the 90th Annual Academy Awards Nominee Luncheon at The Beverly Hilton Hotel on February 5, 2018. (Photo by Kevork Djansejian/Getty Images)

Wednesday 23rd – Sunday 27th January

Pope Francis visits Panama
Pope Francis pays a five-day visit, which coincides with the World Youth Day event taking place in Panama.

Thursday 24th January – Sunday 3rd February

Sundance Film Festival, Salt Lake City USA
The premier showcase for US and international independent film.