

# ... JULY 2005 ...

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Nelson Mandela is inaugurated as the first black president of South Africa in 1994. This is also Peace Day.



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**BEAT**

Pick up the August issue of Black Beat on newsstands today!

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A moment of silence: Duke Ellington dies in 1974. Brooklynn Bridge opens in 1883: OK REPRESENT!



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The First Annual Grammy Awards are awarded in 1959. Nat King Cole, Ella Fitzgerald and Duke Ellington break boundaries.



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A moment of silence. Bob Marley dies of cancer in 1981.



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Lilies of the Valley are the flowers of May. They might taste great in salads.



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Get in touch with the motherland and celebrate Africa Day.



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Mexicans conquer the French army at The Battle of Puebla in 1862 and Cinco de Mayo is born. Oh yeah, so was Creole David. He's 24.



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Blind Justice. Steve Wonder turns 50. Monster in Love starring Janell Lopez will be played at the 2005 Freestyle 'n' Hit II both hit the store.



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Busta Rhymes turns 33, just in time to catch the opening of Star Wars Episode III.

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Andre Benjamin turns 30. Madagascar featuring the voices of Chris Rock, Jada Pinkett-Smith & Cedric the Entertainer and Mouthpiece starring LL Cool J, both hit the store.

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Buy your mama something pretty, massage her feet, pluck her mole hairs - today's her day.



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Chuck Berry records his timeless classic, "Maybellene" in 1955.



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Bill Cosby, the first African American actor to star in a regular dramatic series, won Emmys in 1968, 1967 and 1969 for his role in the adventure and espionage show I Spy.

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Gladys Knight was born, minus the pips, in 1944.

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If you were born in May, your birthstone best be representin' the Emerald City, Dorothy.



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Tamla escaped the youth on this day 28 years ago.



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The first Academy Awards were presented in 1928, when white people still loved their black fiddler partrays. Janet Jackson celebrates her 30th year of music, dance and wardrobe mufun-tunes.



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Pointless May Fact: the month was named after Maia, the goddess of growth.



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