World AIDS Day 2017

This year’s theme, a calendar of events, even a perfect anthem to mark the day

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Friday, December 1, marks the 29th annual World AIDS Day (WAD). First observed in 1988 by what is now called the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS), the day is a time for the world to come together in solidarity in the fight against the epidemic, to show support for those living with the virus and to remember those lost to it.

This year’s theme is “Increasing Impact Through Transparency, Accountability and Partnerships.” According to UNAIDS, 36.7 million people across the globe are living with HIV.

For a collection of related WAD articles in POZ—including blogs, essays, a calendar of events and more—click on #World AIDS Day. For example, you’ll find out why a blogger writes “My Life Changed Forever on World AIDS Day 2014,” you’ll learn “How Prince Harry and Meghan Markle Will Mark World AIDS Day,” and you can watch a video of “The World AIDS Day Anthem We Really Need That Just Arrived.”

The HIV.gov page includes downloadable images to share on social media, information on where to find HIV testing sites and care services and ideas on how to plan and promote WAD and HIV-related events.

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