

Thursday, October 22

ON THIS DAY



▲ **1844: Legendary French actress Sarah Bernhardt, renowned for portraying tragic heroines, was born**

1685: Louis XIV of France revoked the Edict of Nantes, leading to persecution of the Protestant Huguenots

1721: Peter the Great was proclaimed Emperor of all the Russias, dropping the title of Tsar

1962: The Cuban Missile Crisis began when U.S. President John F. Kennedy announced a naval blockade of Cuba until Soviet missiles were removed

2008: India successfully launched Chandrayaan-1, the country's first unmanned lunar exploration mission