

A portrait of Vincent van Gogh, showing him with a thick, reddish-brown beard and mustache, looking slightly to the left. The background is a dark, textured green with small orange and red specks.

Today in History

July 29, 1890

▲ Dutch artist Vincent van Gogh died from a self-inflicted gunshot wound in Auvers, France. He had suffered frequent bouts of mental illness for many years

1968: The Catholic Church reaffirmed its traditional teaching on birth control

1994: Former Italian prime minister Bettino Craxi was found guilty of fraud and jailed for eight years

1994: An anti-abortion protester shot dead two people, including a doctor, outside an abortion clinic in Florida

1999: President Clinton was fined for lying about his relationship with Monica Lewinsky in his deposition to a sexual harassment case