



## Today in History

*December 11, 2012*

▲ **Indian sitar maestro Ravi Shankar, who played a key role in promoting and popularising classical Indian music around the world, died at the age of 92**

**1719:** The first recorded sighting in the United States of the aurora borealis took place in New England

**1894:** Nine exhibitors took part in the world's first motor show in Paris

**1994:** Russia sent tanks and troops to Chechnya to end the rebel territory's three-year drive for independence

**1997:** The Kyoto Protocol, committing industrialised countries to reduce emissions of greenhouse gases, was finally agreed in Japan