

A close-up portrait of Cher with dark, curly hair, looking directly at the camera with a slight smile. She is wearing large, ornate earrings.

## Today in History

*May 20, 1946*

▲ Cher, U.S. singer and actress, was born. She has sold 200 million records and is the only artist to have a No.1 single in each decade from the 1960s to the 2010s

**1506:** Italian explorer Christopher Columbus died in poverty in Spain

**1956:** The first hydrogen bomb to be dropped from the air was detonated over Bikini Atoll

**1959:** Parisian Guy Trebert became the first person to be arrested through an identikit picture

**2015:** The world's oldest stone tools, dating from around 3.3 million years ago, were discovered near Lake Turkana in Kenya