

A photograph of Freddie Mercury performing on stage with the band Queen. He is wearing his signature white outfit with a red and black chevron on the chest and is singing into a microphone. A drummer is visible in the background.

Today in History

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▲ **Freddie Mercury, flamboyant lead singer-songwriter of the rock band Queen, died from AIDS. He was the first major rock star to die from the disease**

2001: Turkey ratified legal changes that made women equal to men before the law and not subject to their husbands

2009: China executed two men for their role in the 2008 tainted baby milk scandal

2009: More than 300,000 buffalo, sheep and goats were slaughtered in the Hindu Gadhimai festival in Nepal

2009: Michael Jackson's trademark white jewelled glove sold at auction for \$350,000