

A photograph of DJ Avicii performing at a concert. He is wearing a black baseball cap, a black t-shirt, and large headphones around his neck. He is holding a glowing red light stick in his right hand and has his mouth open as if singing or shouting. The background is a bright, colorful stage with blue and yellow lights.

Today in History

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▲ Swedish DJ Avicii, one of the world's biggest dance music stars, died aged 28. Club anthems like Wake Me Up notched up 11 billion streams on Spotify

1534: French explorer Jacques Cartier set sail from Saint-Malo to explore the coastline of North America

1769: Pontiac, Native American chief who led a rising against the British, was killed by a Peoria Indian warrior

1994: Berlin revealed that Germany had replaced France as the world's leading consumer of alcohol

1999: Two teenagers shot dead 12 fellow students and a teacher at Columbine High School in Colorado