



Today in History

September 11, 1999

▲ Tennis star Serena Williams won the U.S. Open tournament at Flushing Meadows, achieving a first Grand Slam victory ahead of her elder sister Venus

1850: Famous operatic soprano Jenny Lind gave her first concert in the U.S.

1952: The first artificial aortic valve, made of Flexiglas, was fitted into the heart of a 30-year-old patient

2001: Three hijacked aircraft crashed into the twin towers of the World Trade Centre and the Pentagon. Passengers prevented a fourth reaching its target

2010: Greek police used tear gas on mass protests in Thessaloniki over austerity measures