

A photograph of the Burj Khalifa, the world's tallest building, standing prominently in Dubai's skyline. The building's distinctive tiered, spiraling design is clearly visible against a clear blue sky. Other skyscrapers and city buildings are visible in the background.

Today in History

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▲ **The Burj Khalifa, at 825m the tallest structure ever built, was opened in Dubai. It was named in honour of UAE President Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan**

1885: Dr Williams West Grant of Iowa performed the first successful operation to remove an appendix

1964: Pope Paul VI began a visit to the Holy Land, which included the first visit by a pope to Jerusalem

1980: U.S. President Jimmy Carter announced the curtailment of grain sales to the Soviet Union over the invasion of Afghanistan

2007: Evidence of liquid methane was found on Saturn's moon Titan