



Today in History

September 4, 1970

▲ **Russian ballerina Natalia Makarova defected to the West while the Kirov Ballet was on tour. She is pictured with Rudolf Nureyev, who defected in 1961**

1985: British traffic warden Meta Davis, who inspired Paul McCartney's song *Lovely Rita*, *Meter Maid*, retired

1995: **The Fourth World Conference on Women began in China's Great Hall of the People**

1995: A Parisian boy stole 70,000 francs from his parents, spending it all at EuroDisney

2016: **Pro-independence activists won seats in Hong Kong's legislative elections after a record voter turnout**