



Today in History

February 1, 1971

▲ **My Sweet Lord**, former Beatle George Harrison's first single as a solo artist, written in praise of the Hindu god Krishna, sold 110,000 copies in a single day

1896: Giacomo Puccini's opera *La Boheme* premiered in Turin, Italy

1931: *City Lights*, Charlie Chaplin's tragic tale of the Tramp in the big city, and a major artistic triumph, opened

1996: Włodzimierz Cimoszewicz, an ex-communist leader who had often stood outside his party's mainstream, was named prime minister of Poland

2011: Around one million people protested in Cairo against Egypt's President Hosni Mubarak