

A photograph of Freddie Mercury performing on stage. He is wearing a bright yellow jacket with white epaulettes and a white shirt underneath. He has a microphone in his right hand and his left arm is raised in a fist. The background is dark with some red circular lights.

Today in History

November 24, 1991

▲ **Freddie Mercury, flamboyant lead singer-songwriter of the rock band Queen, died from AIDS. He was the first major rock star to die from the disease**

2001: Turkey ratified legal changes that made women no longer subject to their husbands

2014: Lionel Messi's 252nd goal for Barcelona broke the 50-year-old La Liga scoring record

2017: Paralympian Oscar Pistorius's jail sentence for the murder of his girlfriend was increased to 15 years

2019: Pro-democracy candidates in Hong Kong won control of 17 of 18 district councils in local elections