



## Today in History

*June 12, 1942*

▲ **Anne Frank was given a diary on her 13th birthday, in which she wrote her account of growing up as a young Jewish girl in Nazi-occupied Amsterdam in WWII**

**1944:** Chinese leader Mao Zedong gave his support to Nationalist leader Chiang Kai-shek in the war against Japan

**1956: Australia began a free mass vaccination programme using Jonas Salk's polio vaccine**

**2003:** The 5,000-year-old Warka Vase, looted from Iraq's National Museum, was returned anonymously

**2005: Massouma al-Mubarak was appointed as Kuwait's first ever woman cabinet minister**