

A close-up portrait of actress Cameron Diaz with long blonde hair, smiling slightly. The image is framed with a thin black border.

## Today in History

*August 30, 1972*

▲ Hollywood star Cameron Diaz was born. Known for her roles in *There's Something About Mary*, *Charlie's Angels*, and the *Shrek* franchise, she turns 50 today

**1963:** A direct telephone "hotline" came into operation between the White House and the Kremlin

**1982:** PLO leader Yasser Arafat fled his headquarters in Beirut following the Israeli invasion of Lebanon

**2015:** North America's highest peak, Mount McKinley in Alaska, reverted to its indigenous name of Denali

**2017:** The new Queensferry Crossing, a 2.7km bridge over the Firth of Forth, opened in Scotland