

A detailed oil painting of Lord Byron, showing him from the chest up. He is wearing a red turban with gold and black stripes, and a brown coat over a white shirt. He has a mustache and is looking slightly to the left.

# Today in History

*April 19, 1824*

▲ Noted English Romantic poet Lord Byron died of a fever at Missolonghi during Greece's war of independence against the Ottoman Turks

**1971:** The USSR launched Salyut 1, the world's first space station, into orbit. All 3 crew died on re-entry

**1999:** Germany's parliament met in the restored Reichstag in Berlin for the first time since before WWII

**2004:** Jordan cancelled talks with the U.S. over its support for Israel's plans to retain settlements in the West Bank

**2021:** NASA's mini helicopter Ingenuity made the first powered flight on Mars