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ROSH HASHANAH BEGINS AT SUNSET;

FEAST OF THE GUARDIAN ANGELS

Rosh Hashanah is the new year in the Jewish calendar: a time for apples dipped in honey. Today also honors all guardian angels.

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FEAST OF ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

While you are proclaiming peace with your lips, be careful to have it even more fully in your heart.

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YOM KIPPUR BEGINS AT SUNSET

High holy days of repentance and atonement in the Jewish calendar.

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ST. DENIS' DAY; COLUMBUS DAY

INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' DAY

St. Denis is sacred to France. Indigenous Peoples' Day celebrates Native American peoples and their rich and varied cultures.

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APPLE TUESDAY

Apple Tuesday began in 1904 as Apple Day; it falls each autumn (like the leaves) on the Third Tuesday of October.



Snap-Apple Night: an old-time All Hallows' Eve celebration.

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SUKKOT BEGINS AT SUNSET

The Feast of the Tabernacles in the Jewish calendar: outdoor shelters; scent of etrog.

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ST. LUKE'S DAY

Luke is a patron saint of artists.

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HALLOWE'EN

All Hallows' Eve: the eve of All Saints Day, followed by All Souls Day. This autumnal time of remembrance is steeped in Celtic tradition and its beginnings as Samhain, the crossroads to winter. Here, the division separating the mystical and earthly worlds is at its most permeable. This is the time of *Dia de Los Muertos* in Mexico and in Italy, of *i Morti*: the Days of the Dead when we lovingly remember all who have come and gone before us. This

time of remembrance continues on through Martinmas on November 11.

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This month's cover star: *Snap-Apple Night* by Daniel Maclise, oil on canvas, 1833. Maclise was born in Ireland, where many of our Halloween traditions began, and his painting was inspired by a Hallowe'en party he attended the previous year in Blarney. Looks to us like a grand old time!

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