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Only a month remains before Darwin Day! Colleges and universities, schools, libraries, museums, churches, civic groups, and just plain folks across the country -- and the world -- are preparing to celebrate Darwin Day, on or around February 12, in honor of the life and work of Charles Darwin. These events provide a marvelous opportunity not only to celebrate Darwin's birthday but also to engage in public outreach about science, evolution, and the importance of evolution education. NCSE encourages its members and friends to attend, participate in, and even organize Darwin Day events in their own communities. To find a local event, check the websites of local universities and museums and the [registry](#) [4] of Darwin Day events maintained by the Darwin Day Celebration website. (And don't forget to [register](#) [5] your own event with the Darwin Day Celebration website!)

Part of the fun of Darwin Day 2007 will involve Randy Olson's [Flock of Dodos](#) [6], the hilarious documentary that examines both sides of the controversy over the teaching of "intelligent design" in public schools, is scheduled to be shown at over fifteen museums across the country as part of their Darwin Day celebrations, on or around February 12, 2007. *New Scientist* describes *Flock of Dodos* as "a film that will appeal to the average person on either side ... without condescension, poking lighthearted fun at everyone." Screenings are already [scheduled](#) [7] in thirty cities around the country, including Berkeley, Boston, Denver, Detroit, Ft. Lauderdale, Kansas City, Los Angeles, New York City, Pittsburgh, Raleigh, Salt Lake City, San Francisco, Santa Barbara, Seattle, St. Louis, and Tampa -- and more are being added.

And Evolution Sunday returns! Hundreds of Christian churches all over the country are taking part in Evolution Sunday, February 11, 2007, by presenting sermons and discussion groups on the compatibility of faith and science. Michael Zimmerman, the initiator of the project, writes, "For far too long, strident voices, in the name of Christianity, have been claiming that people must choose between religion and

modern science. ... Together, participating religious leaders will be making the statement that religion and science are not adversaries. And, together, they will be elevating the quality of the national debate on this topic." At last count, over 320 congregations in 48 states were [scheduled](#) [8] to hold Evolution Sunday events; they are listed at the Clergy Letter Project [website](#) [9].

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