

# Calendar 2024

Life unfolds swiftly, with the surge of armed conflicts, seismic shifts in the Earth's fault lines, global energy-resource dynamics in flux, and the rapid advancements in artificial intelligence (AI). The pace of change is indeed staggering.

Amidst a world marked by conflict and uncertainty, the 'Life in Monochrome' series emerges as a fragment of hope and beauty captured from my travels. It originated with the intent to capture a narrative that resonates with current events.

This series is an invitation to stay in the present and soak-in a moment, reminding us of the profound power of community and the essential need for connection. It underscores the healing potency found in shared experiences and togetherness.

Through the lens of 'Life in Monochrome,' we are prompted not only to navigate the challenges for survival but to delve into what truly propels us to thrive. It serves as a poignant reminder that, amidst the fast-paced changes, the essence of thriving lies in our collective strength and shared connections.


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*'Life in Monochrome'  
A photo series of quiet  
introspection.*

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 The Serpentine Bridge, London

# January 2024

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1 New Year, 14 Makar Sankranti, 15 Pongal, 26 Republic Day

Blossoms of white, a cherry tree in bloom  
Caught my eye, in the soft springtime light  
A swan paddles, pure grace in her white plume  
Like strangers, from a realm so infinite

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📍 The Italian Gardens, London

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8 Maha Shivratri, 15 International Childhood Cancer Day

The London plane trees, survivors of the years  
Their branches whisper, tales of centuries  
A lone passerby, seizes a moment  
Under, its tranquil canopy  
A warmth that, I capture in my frame

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25 Holi, 29 Good Friday, 31 Easter

On the mirrored lake, waves move gently  
A swan glides, in rhythmic patterns  
A spontaneous dance unfolds  
I revel in her creative play

 The Serpentine Lake, London

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25 Holi | 29 Good Friday | 31 Easter



📍 Province of Mantua, Italy

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2 World Autism Awareness Day,  
 9 Ugadi, 11 Eid-ul- Fitar, 13 Puthandu,  
 14 Ambedkar Jayanti | Vishu,  
 21 Mahavir Jayanti

Upon the cobbled streets, against wooden doors  
 That hold secrets, from the past  
 I see nostalgia's echo  
 In a scene of two friends  
 Who share a moment  
 Of friendship, of peace

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1 May Day, 10 Akshaya Tritiya

In architecture's trance, my eyes unmoved for ages  
By its exquisite form, its sculpted poise  
A pleasure shared, in experience vast  
For all who in its presence, find a place

📍 Duomo di Pisa, Italy

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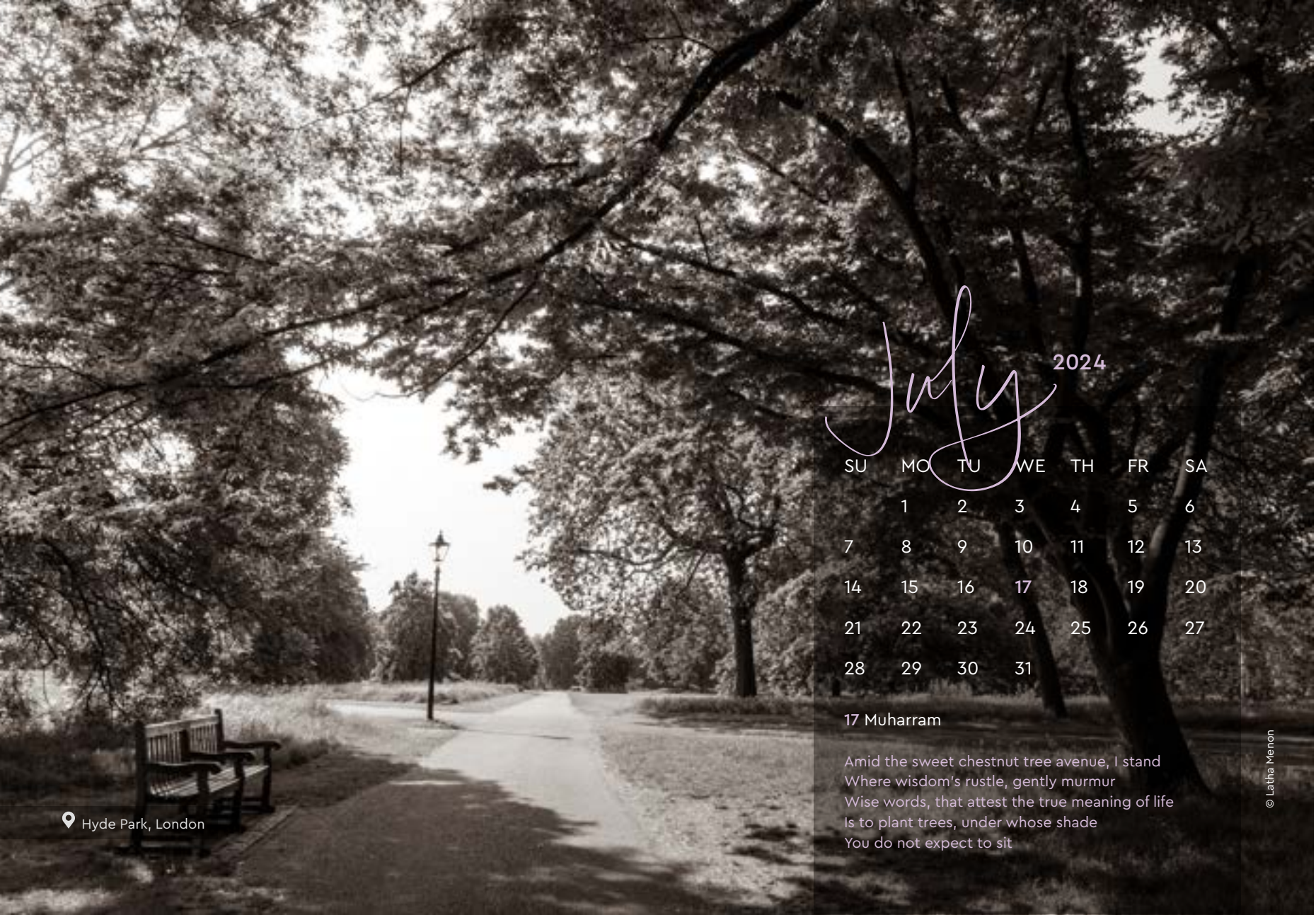
17 Bakrid

The arches stand, a testament to time  
Designs of the past, woven through the years  
A language of timelessness, as stories intertwine  
In the symphony of the senses, the aroma  
I think, I smell, I yield to memories  
In coffee's cup a dance of reveries

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Hyde Park, London

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17 Muharram

Amid the sweet chestnut tree avenue, I stand  
 Where wisdom's rustle, gently murmur  
 Wise words, that attest the true meaning of life  
 Is to plant trees, under whose shade  
 You do not expect to sit

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15 Independence Day, 19 Raksha Bandhan  
26 Janmashtami

As sunbeams dance, a little peekaboo they play  
Of branches, of leaves  
In a symphony of silhouettes  
Pure art, on the walls  
A visual delight, for me!

📍 Casa Fenoglio Lafleur Torino, Italy

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15 Onam, 7 Ganesh Chaturthi

Chance meetings, on paths unknown  
Strangers to lovers, a tale may unfold  
In the passage of time, will they align?  
If paths converge, will they remember?  
Choice or destiny, makes me wonder?

📍 Piazza San Sarlo Torino, Italy

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2 Gandhi Jayanti,  
12 Dussehra, Ayudha Puja, 31 Diwali

October light, in the silence of nature  
Amid the stillness, moments softly laid  
I wait, observing life's serene parade  
Of a man, his dog, a quiet speechless rapture

Alba, Italy

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15 Guru Nanak Jayanti

A promising stairway, swathed in shades of light  
Mysterious, intriguing

A touch, of shadow's glance  
A momentary trance, a subtle dance  
A tease that leaves me in a stance

Torino Porta Nuovo, Italy

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📍 Porta Palazzo Torino, Italy

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3 International Day of Persons with Disabilities (IDPD), 25 Christmas

Lost in the moment, a gentle fleeting grace  
No rush, I stand and watch  
The sun, in a tranquil space  
In stillness, time seems to rest  
As moments, string a chain of ease  
No hurry in the air, just sweet release

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