

Be a Hero for a Better World



"Silence never won rights.
They are not handed down from above;
they are forced by pressures from below."
-- Roger Nash Baldwin

Roger Nash Baldwin (1884-1981)

*"The rule of law in place of force,
always basic to my thinking,
now takes on a new relevance
in a world where, if war is to go,
only law can replace it."*

Roger Nash Baldwin was one of the founders of the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) in 1917, and served as its executive director until 1950. The ACLU continues today to work "to defend and preserve the individual rights and liberties guaranteed to every person in this country by the Constitution and laws of the United States."

Roger Baldwin was a devout pacifist (he spent a year in prison as a conscientious objector during World War I) and dedicated his life to protecting the rights of others both in the United States and around the world. In 1981, President Jimmy Carter awarded Roger Nash Baldwin the Medal of Freedom.

Roger Nash Baldwin was born on January 21, 1884 in Wellesley, Massachusetts

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1. Find out more about this hero
2. Hold an event to raise awareness about human rights issues
3. Contribute to organizations working to defend human rights

Human Rights Organizations

- Amnesty International (amnesty.org)
- Carter Center (cartercenter.org)
- Human Rights First (humanrightsfirst.org)
- Human Rights Watch (hri.org)
- Rights International (rightsinternational.org)
- UN Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (ohchr.org)
- Witness (witness.org)
- Women's Human Rights Net (whrnet.org)

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