Remember the antifascist heroes who fought in the Spanish Civil War

(1936-1939)



Commemorate
Halifax's Ralph Fox,
killed in Spain on 28
December 1936

Saturday 6 October, 11 am at Manor Heath Walled Garden, Halifax, HX3 0EB

Speakers: Jim Jump, IBMT Secretary, Calderdale TUC, others to be confirmed

International Brigade exhibition

Thursday October 4 – Thursday October 11, Central Library & Archives, Halifax, HX1 1QG

Halifax Central Library is hosting an exhibition by the International Brigade Memorial Trust. Come and find out more about these brave men and women.



The International Brigade Memorial Trust (IBMT) keeps alive the memory and spirit of the 2,500 men and women from Britain and Ireland who volunteered to defend democracy and fight fascism in Spain during the Spanish Civil War of 1936-39. The IBMT also remembers those who supported the volunteers and the cause of the Spanish Republic at home.

One of those who fought and died fighting Franco's forces in Spain was Halifax's Ralph Fox, 1900-1936. A bench in his memory sits at the Manor Heath Walled Garden, Halifax.

Fox was a well-known member of the Communist Party of Great Britain (CPGB) and wrote biographies of the Russian revolutionary Vladimir Ilyich Lenin as well as Genghis Khan.



In 1936, Fox joined the International Brigades to fight fascism in the Spanish Civil War. These were military units composed of volunteers from different countries who travelled to Spain to help defend the Second Spanish Republic between 1936 and 1939. The Brigades base was in Albacete where Fox received training before being assigned to the XIV Brigade. He was sent to the front during one of the first operations in which the Brigades were involved and died at the Battle of Lopera in the province of Jaen in late December 1936.

Biography of Ralph Fox: https://tinyurl.com/rfoxbio

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