



The British Battalion banner hangs in the Marx Memorial Library, London.

The International Brigade Memorial Trust keeps alive the memory of the men and women who volunteered to join the legendary International Brigades or who went to Spain to help in other ways to defend the Spanish Republic against fascism from 1936 to 1939.

Members include surviving veterans, family and friends of veterans, historians specialising in the Spanish Civil War as well as organisations and members of the public inspired by the heroism and sacrifice of the volunteers.

The aims of the trust are:

“To promote education, learning and knowledge concerning the historical legacy both of the men and women who fought with the International Brigades against fascism in support of the legally elected government of Spain, and those who sustained their fight. To maintain contact with relatives and friends of the International Brigaders and develop links with comparable organisations throughout Europe and the world.”

- We produce a newsletter which goes out to members three times a year.
- We organise a public lecture which is given annually in March.
- Our annual general meeting is held in October in a different city each year.

- We also plan exhibitions and educational projects in schools and colleges.
- Our website [www.international-brigades.org.uk] reaches a wider audience in Britain and throughout the world.
- We support the preservation of International Brigade archives around the country, including the main British Battalion archive at the Marx Memorial Library in London.
- The national memorial is in Jubilee Gardens, London, and we hold a large memorial meeting there every July.

The fascist-backed army revolt against the elected Spanish Republic was a defining moment for a whole generation. Many hundreds volunteered to fight for democracy in Spain or help the Republic in other ways.

At present there are more than 60 memorials in Britain and Ireland to these men and women. Some take the form of impressive edifices in our main cities, while others are simple plaques in public buildings, or gardens with seats, or trees.

More memorials are planned to commemorate the men and women who, from all walks of life and from all over the British Isles, decided that the cause of democracy in Spain was an ideal worth fighting for and, for many, dying for.

They included miners, doctors, printers, teachers, factory workers, dockers, clerks, nurses, railway workers, journalists, building workers and seafarers.



Trust members receive a regular newsletter.



INTERNATIONAL BRIGADE MEMORIAL TRUST

Keeping alive the memory and spirit of the men and women who volunteered to defend democracy in Spain from 1936 to 1939



Memorial to the International Brigades in Jubilee Gardens, London.

