

# SPAIN AND CULTURE GRAND INTERNATIONAL MEETING 24<sup>th</sup> JUNE 1937

Recently, whilst researching information about the 'niños' for the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary I came across, by accident, a copy of a programme for a fund-raising event held at the Royal Albert Hall on 24<sup>th</sup> June 1937.

This event was previously known about with advertising material issued by the National Joint Committee for Spanish Relief, a copy of which is held at Warwick University Digital Collections. <http://contentdm.warwick.ac.uk/cdm/singleitem/collection/scw/id/13668/rec/6>

However, the actual programme for this event is significant not only for the famous people who were to attend and speak but also for the donation of a drawing by Picasso to be shown on the front cover.

As we approach the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the 'ninos' arriving in this country, I thought it would be of interest to publish the programme (appended below).

Also see:-

<http://www.basquechildren.org/-/docs/articles/theydonboisleahmanning>

<http://www.royalalberthall.com/about-the-hall/our-history/explore-our-history/time-machine/1930s/>

Gerald Hoare  
10th March 2017



Design by Pablo Picasso (1937) dedicated to the mothers and children of Spain

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JUNE 24th  
1937

*National Joint Committee*

# GRAND INTERNATIONAL MEETING

*Under the Auspices of the National Joint Committee for Spanish Relief*

*IN AID OF THE BASQUE REFUGEE CHILDREN*

*"Science and Art belong to the whole world and the barriers of nationality vanish before them." GOETHE*

1 *At the Organ*: DR. OSBORNE H. PEASGOOD

2 *In the Chair*: Her Grace THE DUCHESS OF ATHOLL, D.B.E., M.P.

3 PICASSO

4 Professor PAUL LANGEVIN

5 HEINRICH MANN

6 Professor W. G. CONSTABLE

7 ISABEL BROWN will appeal for funds  
for the support of the Basque children

8 Auction of Pictures

9 Basque children singing Folk Songs  
(by special arrangement with The Gramophone Co., Ltd.)

10 BROADCAST FROM MOSCOW BY PAUL ROBESON

11 Professor J. B. S. HALDANE, F.R.S.

## *Supported by*

*Lucille Abercrombie*

*Frederick Ashton*

*W. H. Auden*

*Sir Arnold Bax*

*Vanessa Bell*

*J. D. Bernal, F.R.S.*

*Professor P. M. S. Blackett, F.R.S.*

*Henry Beinton*

*(Commandant, Basque Children's Camp)*

*Professor W. E. Le Gros Clark,*

*Sean O'Casey F.R.S.*

*Dr. Stella Churchill*

*Havelock Ellis*

*Jacob Epstein*

*E. M. Forster*

*Owen Ffrangcon-Davies*

*Duncan Grant*

*Vincent Hastings*

*Barbara Hepworth*

*Professor Julian Huxley*

*Parry Jones*

*Edmond Kapp*

*E. McKnight Kauffer*

*John Langdon-Davies*

*Rupert Lee*

*David Low*

*C. Day Lewis*

*Rose Macaulay*

*Desmond McCarthy*

*Professor John MacMurray*

*Henry Moore*

*Naomi Mitchison*

*Professor Enrique Moreno*

*Paul Nash*

*H. W. Nevison*

*Algernon Newton, A.R.A.*

*Ben Nicholson*

*Hon. Harold Nicolson, M.P.*

*Philip Noel-Baker, M.P.*

*Sir John Boyd Orr*

*André Ozenfant*

*D. N. Pritt, K.C., M.P.*

*Professor J. A. Ryle*

*John Robertson Scott*

*Hugh de Selincourt*

*Evelyn Sharp*

*Professor Charles Singer*

*Stephen Spender*

*Rev. Dr. Stewart*

*Dame Sybil Thorndike*

*Professor J. B. Trend*

*Edward Wadsworth*

*Sylvia Townsend Warner*

*H. G. Wells*

*Rebecca West*

*Dr. R. Vaughan Williams*

*Virginia Woolf*

*and other distinguished guests*