

Edward G. Robinson (born **Emanuel Goldenberg**; [Yiddish](#): עמנואל גאלדנבערג; December 12, 1893 – January 26, 1973) was a [Romanian-born American](#) actor of stage and screen during [Hollywood's Golden Age](#). He appeared in 30 Broadway plays^[1] and more than 100 films during a 50-year career^[2] and is best remembered for his tough-guy roles as gangsters in such films as [Little Caesar](#) and [Key Largo](#).

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Edward_G._Robinson

According to our records, not only was he a long time member, but also a President.



And not just a member and contributor, but also a knowledgeable Jew who could lead the weekday evening services for when he commemorated a yahrzeit, wherever he went, be it Indianapolis or Tokyo (more said later)

From Jewish Post of Indianapolis;

Mr. Friedman also has yahrzeit on the same day as Edward G. Robinson, and both of them attend the Hollywood Temple Beth-El that day. It is customary of course for a yahrzeit to daven before the omid, but Mr. Friedman, though by far the more regular worshipper, is blind; and so the leadership, one day each year, goes to Edward G. Robinson, who, it is said, davens very nicely, and respectfully waits until Mr. Friedman has finished the Shmonei Earei.

Mr. Friedman, whose grand-daughter Chana Rivka, is at present on her way to join a religious kibbutz in Israel, had also once been the Hebrew teacher of Jules Stein, who is head of MCA, the biggest talent agency in Hollywood. And Jules Stein's father Louis spent the last years of his life at Mr. Friedman's home.

Unfortunately, only the most gratuitous kinds of conclusions can be drawn from any of this data about Jewish life in Hollywood.

He also contributed regularly to to HTBE, which caught the attention of of McCarthy's committee during the witch hunting for Communists in those years. He was caught up in the witch hunt, as a result of his support for groups that opposed the Nazis, but as it turned out, were affiliated with the Communist party.

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TESTIMONY OF EDWARD G. ROBINSON

Donations

Date	Name	Amount
January 1939		
Dec. 16, 1938	Children's Village	\$25.00
Dec. 28, 1938	Regatta Theatre	25.00
Do.	Hebrew Sheltering Home for the Aged	25.00
Dec. 28, 1938	Y. Y. Israel Old Age Home	10.00
Jan. 3, 1939	Salvaging Army for survival	15.00
Jan. 6, 1939	Project Group of Prisoner Women	25.00
Jan. 13, 1939	Hebrew Club	5.00
Jan. 13, 1939	The Domes	5.00
Do.	Hollywood Temple Beth El	7.00
Jan. 3, 1939	Tom Stetinger	7.00
Dec. 1938	Boys Town of Hollywood	25.00
Jan. 23, 1939	Officers on Parade	10.00
Jan. 23, 1939	Budd Juch Bitterhead	20.00
Jan. 16, 1939	Ass. Alumni College, City of New York	4.00
February 1939		
Jan. 23, 1939	Juvenile Crime Prevention Bureau	25.00
Feb. 10, 1939	American Boys Club	25.00
Feb. 17, 1939	Community Committee	20.00
Feb. 24, 1939	Premier Exhibit of Full Photographs	11.00
March 1939		
Mar. 7, 1939	The Treasury, Inc.	2.00
Mar. 8, 1939	Pure Music (chair music, philharmonic test)	2.00
Mar. 27, 1939	California Committee of the Lullay	2.00
Feb. 23, 1939	Royal Pantomime dinner dance	15.00
Feb. 23, 1939	Actors' Refuge Committee	25.00
Feb. 24, 1939	Los Angeles Conference of Temple Brotherhood	100.00
Feb. 27, 1939	Hollywood Guild	50.00
Feb. 24, 1939	Mount Sinai Hospital	5.00
Feb. 27, 1939	Branch, E. J. Jewish Community Council	200.00
Mar. 4, 1939	Hollywood Committee of 26	100.00
Feb. 24, 1939	National Bureau for Blind Artists	5.00
Do.	E. C. Fidelity Bond B'nai Auxiliary No. 162	4.00
Mar. 7, 1939	Negro Fascist Movement	25.00
Do.	Community Synagogue	25.00
Mar. 4, 1939	Best Drug Store	10.00
Mar. 7, 1939	Film Writers League	22.00
Feb. 26, 1939	Spanish Child Welfare Association	20.00
April 1939		
Mar. 25, 1939	Hollywood Temple Beth-El	25.00
Do.	National Conference Jews and Christians	100.00
Mar. 25, 1939	Laville School for Blind	25.00
Apr. 15, 1939	Southern California Symphony Association	60.00
Do.	The Relief Guild	60.00
Do.	L. A. Orthodox Foundation	25.00
Mar. 20, 1939	The Refugee Fund	25.00
Mar. 20, 1939	National Society for the Prevention Blindness	10.00
Apr. 6, 1939	Sunday Evening Club	200.00
Apr. 6, 1939	Musical Artists of America	11.00
Apr. 8, 1939	American League for Peace and Democracy	4.00
Apr. 11, 1939	Hollywood Guild	20.00
Apr. 11, 1939	Palestine Orchestra Fund	100.00
Do.	Cher-Pool Com	15.00
Do.	Fund for Refugee Writers	100.00

Nov. 12, 1946	do	7.50
Nov. 21, 1946	do	60.77
Oct. 28, 1946	12th Nite Club	2.50
Dec. 4, 1946	University Religious Conference	100.00
Do.	Negro Actors Guild of America	50.00
Dec. 14, 1946	Hollywood Temple Beth El Building Fund	100.00
Dec. 4, 1946	Artists Fellowship, Inc.	100.00
Dec. 14, 1946	Desert Battalion, Inc.	43.75
Dec. 9, 1946	do	271.62
Nov. 29, 1946	European Children Relief	20.00
Dec. 19, 1946	Desert Battalion, Inc.	39.55
Dec. 16, 1946	do	18.54

1947		
Feb. 10, 1947	Progressive Citizens of California	200.00