

A close-up portrait of actor Robbie Coltrane, smiling slightly, with his characteristic large nose and thick lips. He is wearing a dark blue jacket over a black shirt. The background is blurred, showing a crowd of people.

Today in History

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▲ **Versatile Scottish actor Robbie Coltrane, who won global fame as the genial giant Hagrid in the Harry Potter films, died from multiple organ failure at age 72**

1933: Nazi Germany announced its withdrawal from the League of Nations

1988: Egypt's Naguib Mahfouz became the first Arabic-language writer to win the Nobel prize for literature

1998: The British government announced it intended to abolish the rights of hereditary peers to vote in the House of Lords

2008: Cambodian and Thai forces opened fire in a disputed border area near an ancient Hindu temple