

Free Speech Activist and Long-time Village Voice Columnist Nat Hentoff Dies at 91

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Long-time Village Voice columnist and free speech activist Nat Hentoff has died.

His family says he passed away of natural causes at his Manhattan apartment yesterday.

Hentoff covered issues ranging from jazz to politics, civil rights and education.

During his more than six-decade career, Hentoff's work was syndicated in newspapers across the country.

He also contributed to the New York Times, The New Yorker, and the Wall Street Journal.

Although he grew up in Boston, he spent most of his adult life in New York.

In 2009, he joined the CATO Institute — a public policy research organization where he was a senior fellow until his death.

Nat Hentoff was 91.