

# Be a Hero for a Better World



## Mahnaz Afkhami

*"We have the ability to achieve, if we master the necessary goodwill, a common global society blessed with a shared culture of peace that is nourished by the ethnic, national and local diversities that enrich our lives."*

*"In the future, human rights will be increasingly a universal criterion for designing ethical systems."*

*"Women's empowerment is intertwined with respect for human rights."*

Mahnaz Afkhami is one of the leading advocates for women's rights in the Islamic world. Before the Islamic revolution in Iran she served as the Minister of State for Women's Affairs. She is the founder and president of Women's Learning Partnership and has written many books and articles promoting women's rights. She is currently in exile in the United States.

**"The connection between women's human rights, gender equality, socioeconomic development and peace is increasingly apparent."**

**— Mahnaz Afkhami**

**Mahnaz Afkhami was born in Kerman, Iran**

### Be A Hero For A Better World!

1. Find out more about this hero
2. Hold an event to raise awareness about human rights issues
3. Contribute to organizations working to defend human rights

### Human Rights Organizations

- Amnesty International ([amnesty.org](http://amnesty.org))
- Carter Center ([cartercenter.org](http://cartercenter.org))
- Human Rights First ([humanrightsfirst.org](http://humanrightsfirst.org))
- Human Rights Watch ([hri.org](http://hri.org))
- Rights International ([rightsinternational.org](http://rightsinternational.org))
- UN Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights ([ohchr.org](http://ohchr.org))
- Witness ([witness.org](http://witness.org))
- Women's Human Rights Net ([whrnet.org](http://whrnet.org))

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