

Where did baseball hand signals come from?

Come see... *Signs of the Time*
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Signs of the Time (60 minutes)

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Directed by Don Casper

Imagine watching one of baseball's earliest games without the benefit of hand signals for strike, safe, out, or foul. No announcer to interpret the game. The only signal was the umpire's voice, drowned out by the screams of thousands of excited fans. The arm signals that have become such a colorful part of the game were not yet invented. Who was responsible for these signs becoming a big innovation in the game. Was it big-league baseball's most revered umpire or its most celebrated deaf player? This documentary, narrated by Richard Dreyfuss, unravels the mystery. *Captioned in English.*

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