

Important Events in the Life of Carl Ransom Rogers

Formative Years

1902, January 8: Carl is born in Oak Park, Illinois

1919, Enters agriculture program at University of Wisconsin, Madison

1922, Travels to the Far East, Japan, Korea, China

1922, October 22: Becomes engaged to Helen Elliott

1924, June 23: Receives BA in History from University of Wisconsin

1924, August 28: Marries Helen Elliott

1924, Enrolls in liberal Union Theological Seminary, New York City

1925, Summer: Serves as visiting pastor in Dorset, Vermont

1926, Leaves Union for Columbia University Teachers College

1926, March 17: David Elliott Rogers born

1927, June 1: Receives MA from Columbia University Teachers College

Emerging Theory

1928, Joins Rochester Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children (RSPCC) as child psychologist

1928, October 9: Natalie Rogers born

1929, Appointed director of the Child Study Department, RSPCC

1931, March 20: Receives doctorate from Columbia University Teachers College

1931, ***Measuring Personality Adjustment in Children*** is published

1939, ***The Clinical Treatment of the Problem Child*** is published

1940, Accepts position at Ohio State University as clinical psychologist and full professor

1940, December 11: Client-centered therapy is “born” as Carl addresses the University of Minnesota’s Psychological Honors Society

1942, ***Counseling and Psychotherapy*** is published

Theory in Practice

1945, Moves to the University of Chicago to start Counseling Center

1945, ***Counseling With Returned Servicemen*** is published

1946-1947, Serves as president of the American Psychological Association (APA)

1951, ***Client-Centered Therapy*** is published

1954, ***Psychotherapy and Personality Change*** (with Rosalind Dymond and others) is published

1956, Receives the APA’s first Distinguished Contribution Award

1957, Accepts appointment at University of Wisconsin, Madison in psychiatry and psychology

1961, ***On Becoming a Person*** is published

Global Influence

1964, Moves to La Jolla, California, to join staff of the Western Behavioral Studies Institute (WBSI)

1967, ***The Therapeutic Relationship and It’s Impact: A Study of Psychotherapy with Schizophrenics*** is published

1968, With several WBSI colleagues, leaves to form the Center for Studies of the Person (CSP)

1968, ***Man and the Science of Man*** (with William Coulson) is published

1968, ***Person to Person*** (with Barry Stevens) is published

1968-1977, Works with “encounter groups” and larger organizations

1969, ***Freedom To Learn: A View of What Education Might Become*** is published

1970, ***Carl Rogers on Encounter Groups*** is published

1972, ***Becoming Partners: Marriage and Its Alternatives*** is published

1977, ***Carl Rogers on Personal Power. Inner Strength and its Revolutionary Impact*** is published

1979, March 29: Helen Rogers dies

1980, ***Freedom To Learn for the 80's*** is published

1980, ***A Way of Being*** is published

1975-1985, Travels extensively in the U.S., Europe, Latin America, Russia, Japan, and South America to facilitate Person-Centered Approach workshops

1985, The Rust Peace Workshop, Austria

1987, January 28: Nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize by Congressman Jim Bates

1987, February 4: Carl dies in La Jolla, California

Transitions (Published after Carl's Death)

1989, ***The Carl Rogers Reader***, edited by Howard Kirschenbaum and Valerie Henderson, is published

1989, ***Carl Rogers Dialogues: Conversations with Buber, Tillich, Skinner, Bateson, Polanyi, May and others***, edited by Howard Kirschenbaum and Valerie Henderson, is published

1994, ***Freedom To Learn*** is revised by H. Jerome Freiberg and is published

1995, ***A Way Of Being*** is re-published

2002, ***Carl Rogers: The Quiet Revolutionary, an Oral History*** is published