

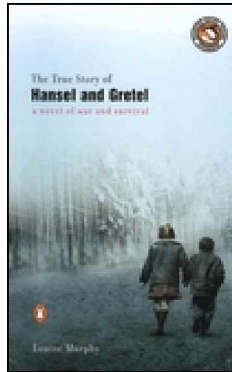


HOFSTRA UNIVERSITY.
ALUMNI BOOK CLUB

Book Discussion
Sunday, October 11, 2009 ~ 10 a.m.
Libby & Joseph G. Shapiro Alumni House

This month's selection is

The True Story of Hansel and Gretel
By Louise Murphy



"The story has been told over and over by liars and it must be retold."

In the winter of 1943, on the outskirts of a dark forest, two Jewish children flee the Nazis with their father and stepmother. In a moment of desperation, the children are given the aliases Hansel and Gretel and sent alone into the woods to hide. Gretel leads her younger brother in search of food and protection, while Hansel leaves a trail of breadcrumbs behind so that their father might find them again. So begins *The True Story of Hansel and Gretel*, which takes us along on their journey into a forest more ancient than man. In a landscape populated by exotic beasts, refugees, and revolutionaries, the two children embark upon a new life as Christian orphans, protected by a woman who is called Magda the witch and whose tiny hut is heated by an enormous baker's oven.

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