



Ken Krimstein will speak at Shir Tikvah on Sunday morning, December 5th at 11:30 AM about his new graphic nonfiction book

When I Grow Up: The Lost Autobiographies of Six Yiddish Teenagers

When I Grow Up is based on six out of hundreds of newly discovered, never-before-published autobiographies of Eastern European Jewish teens on the brink of WWII-found in 2017 hidden in a Lithuanian church cellar. These autobiographies, long thought destroyed by the Nazis, were written as entries for three competitions held in Eastern Europe in the 1930s, just before the horror of the Holocaust forever altered the lives of the young people who wrote them.

When I Grow Up shows us the stories of these six young men and women in riveting,

almost cinematic narratives, full of humor, yearning, ambition, and all the angst of the teenage years.

Ken Krimstein has published cartoons in the New Yorker, Barron's, The Harvard Business Review, Prospect Magazine, Punch, The National Lampoon, the Wall Street Journal, Narrative Magazine, and three of S. Gross's cartoon anthologies. He teaches at De Paul University and the School of the Art Institute of Chicago and is an advertising creative director.

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