



The Anne Frank Center

presents

Johanna Reiss

Johanna Reiss, Holocaust survivor, will read from her book and speak at the Anne Frank Center USA.

Wednesday, October 21, 2009
6:00pm – 8:00pm

JOHANNA REISS is the author of the classic young adult title and Newbery Honor recipient *The Upstairs Room*, which Elie Wiesel praised in the *New York Times Book Review* as an “admirable account...as important in every respect as the one bequeathed to us by Anne Frank.”

Reiss, as a Holocaust survivor, felt compelled to document her experiences, and has passed them on them to generations of readers, though she found her inspiration closer to home: “I never thought of being a writer until my children were seven and nine. It struck me how free they were—compared to me, when I was their age. I wanted to write for them what my childhood was like: in Holland, with the Second World War going on, and the Germans wanting to kill the Jews. I hid in a tiny room and stayed there for close to three years until that war was over.”

Her latest work, *A Hidden Life*, reveals the darkly compelling story behind her acclaimed memoir, and the impact of a universal tragedy finding personal expression within her own family. She lives in New York City.

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