High School Art First Place

A True Reflection of Rose Toren
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Testimony of Rose Toren



Dear Rose Toren,

I have learned that the Holocaust changes its victims. While listening to your testimony, I was shocked and deeply saddened by your decision to hide your Jewish identity. In my art work, you pull away from your fiancé after he admits to supporting Hitler's regime. On your shoulder is a Jewish star representing the true self that you see in your reflection. I admire you for embracing your heritage after that pivotal moment. Your story inspires me to stand behind my beliefs and never to doubt my own strength.

Sincerely,

Ophelia Yin