

Good Evening Ladies and Gentlemen.

I would like to welcome you to the opening of "History:
Whose Story 1s It?" The focus of this exhibition is to present
toyou, the audience, man examples of contemporary literature
based on history and memory.

This exhibition consists primarily of texts focusing on the era of the World Wars I and II. The texts feature individual accounts of this dark period and reflecting the experiences of survivors who escaped death at the hands of the Nazi Regime regime. This exhibition has been opened to showthepeople how history and memory are both important is when it comes to understanding the relationship between the memory and history. This exhibition showcases a book written by Mark Baker, titled The Fiftieth Gate'. It is the story of his parent's lives and is an account that provides us with a personal aspects of the events history has recorded. This text has presented us me with a different view of the facts as we



know them. When we think of history, we regard the facts as the basis for our knowledge. After reading this book I have come to understand that there are facts that history cannot have. The Fiftieth Gate is an example of this as even the author himself, Baker, began to understand how memory can diffect history, as he discovers his parent's memories co-incide with that the facts history give us. Statiar When I read this book it reminded of the The Diary of Anne Frank which is similiar in style, but After heading these books in this exhibition you will discover the how history and memory are important and should be recorded to provide us with a glimpse of one's personal account of an historical event,