



# The Jump Artist

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Bellevue Literary Press. 1 Paperback(s), 2009. soft. Book Condition: New. (Winner of the 2011 Sami Rohr Prize for Jewish Literature) The year is 1928, and Nazism is on the rise in Austria. Photographer Philippe Halsman, a Jewish 22-year-old from Latvia, is falsely charged with the murder of his father, in this novelization of a true event in the life of the renowned portraitist. Halsman spends several years in prison and the trial becomes a public scandal that will pit many prominent intellectuals, including Albert Einstein and Sigmund Freud, against the rising tide of fascism. Even after being freed, how will Halsman reconstruct his life? Publishers Weekly named this novel one of 10 promising debuts of 2009, calling it a story of "tremendous resonance." 252.



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