

**Sand and Ashes**

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A resident of the Shaar Menashe hostel for mentally ill Holocaust survivors in Pardes Hanna, Israel covers her face with her hands. More than a half-century after the Holocaust, the survivors (whose names are withheld for privacy concerns) still live in a world of fear and terror inside their minds.



Three residents of the Shaar Menashe hostel for mentally ill Holocaust survivors in Pardes Hanna, Israel have their cigarettes lit by an attendant. The residents receive one cigarette every hour on the hour. The monotonous routine is the only time marker for the survivors for whom time has seemingly stood still since the Holocaust.





Residents of the Shaar Menashe hostel for mentally ill Holocaust survivors in Pardes Hanna, Israel wander the halls of the facility. Their heavy movements and their persistent silence are evidence of the trauma they endured during the Holocaust.

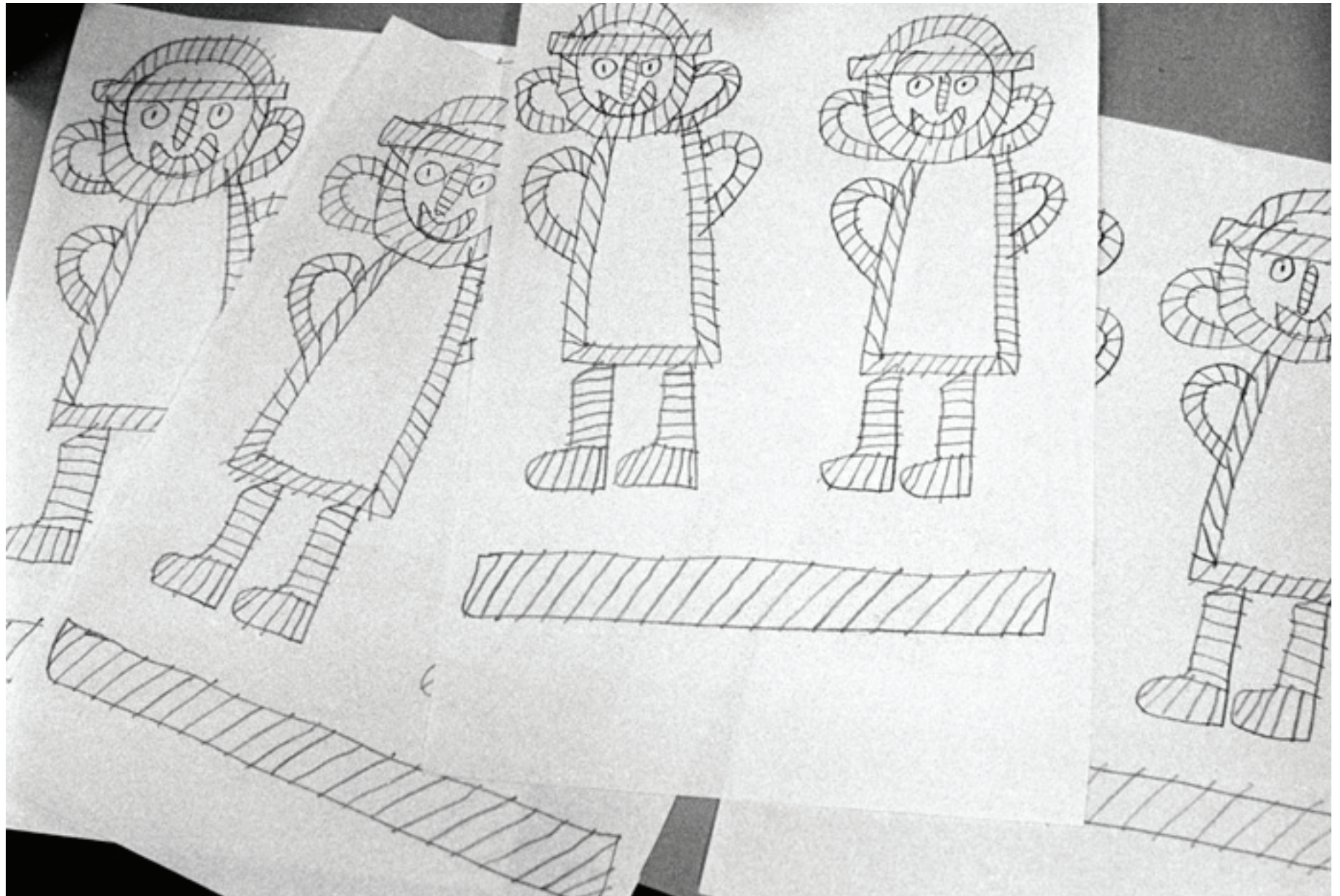


A man and woman stare deeply at each other for several minutes without uttering a sound at the Shaar Menashe hostel for mentally ill Holocaust survivors in Pardes Hanna, Israel. Both survived the Auschwitz concentration p, but broke down shortly after.



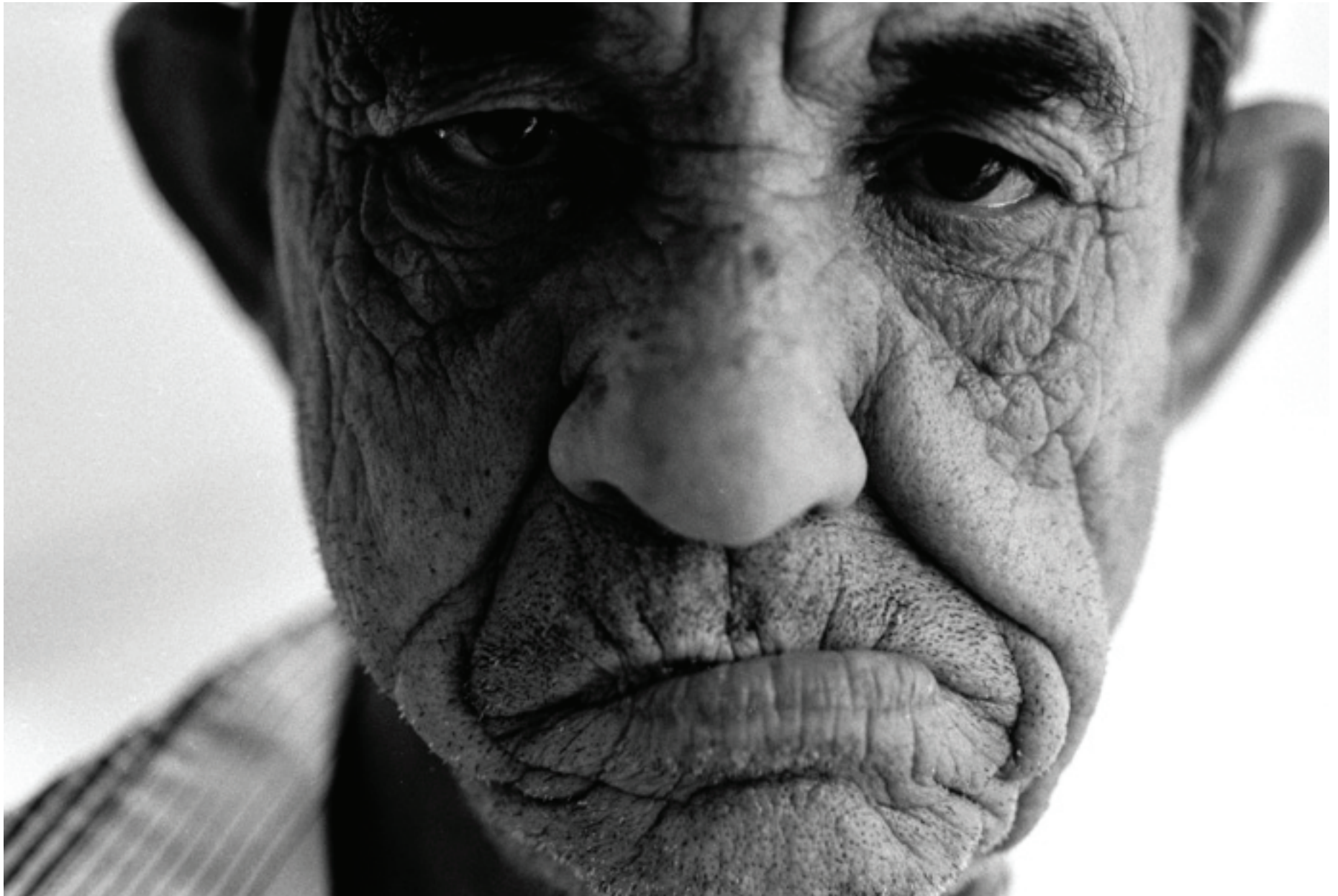


Two residents of the Shaar Menashe hostel for mentally ill Holocaust survivors in Pardes Hanna, Israel hold hands as they repeatedly pace the hallways. The pair do not communicate verbally at all.



Drawings made by a resident of the Shaar Menashe hostel for mentally ill Holocaust survivors in Pardes Hanna, Israel. Each day the woman draws several identical copies of these figures, thought to represent her two children. Many of the mentally ill survivors were abandoned by their own families.





A resident of the Shaar Menashe is seen at the hostel for mentally ill Holocaust survivors in Pardes Hanna, Israel. More than a half-century after the Holocaust, the survivors are imprisoned by the nightmarish memories of Nazi concentration camps, death squads, and constant terror.



Two men sit outside the Shaar Menashe hostel for mentally ill Holocaust survivors in Pardes Hanna, Israel. The residents of the hostel, imprisoned by their hellish memories, often sit alone in silence.



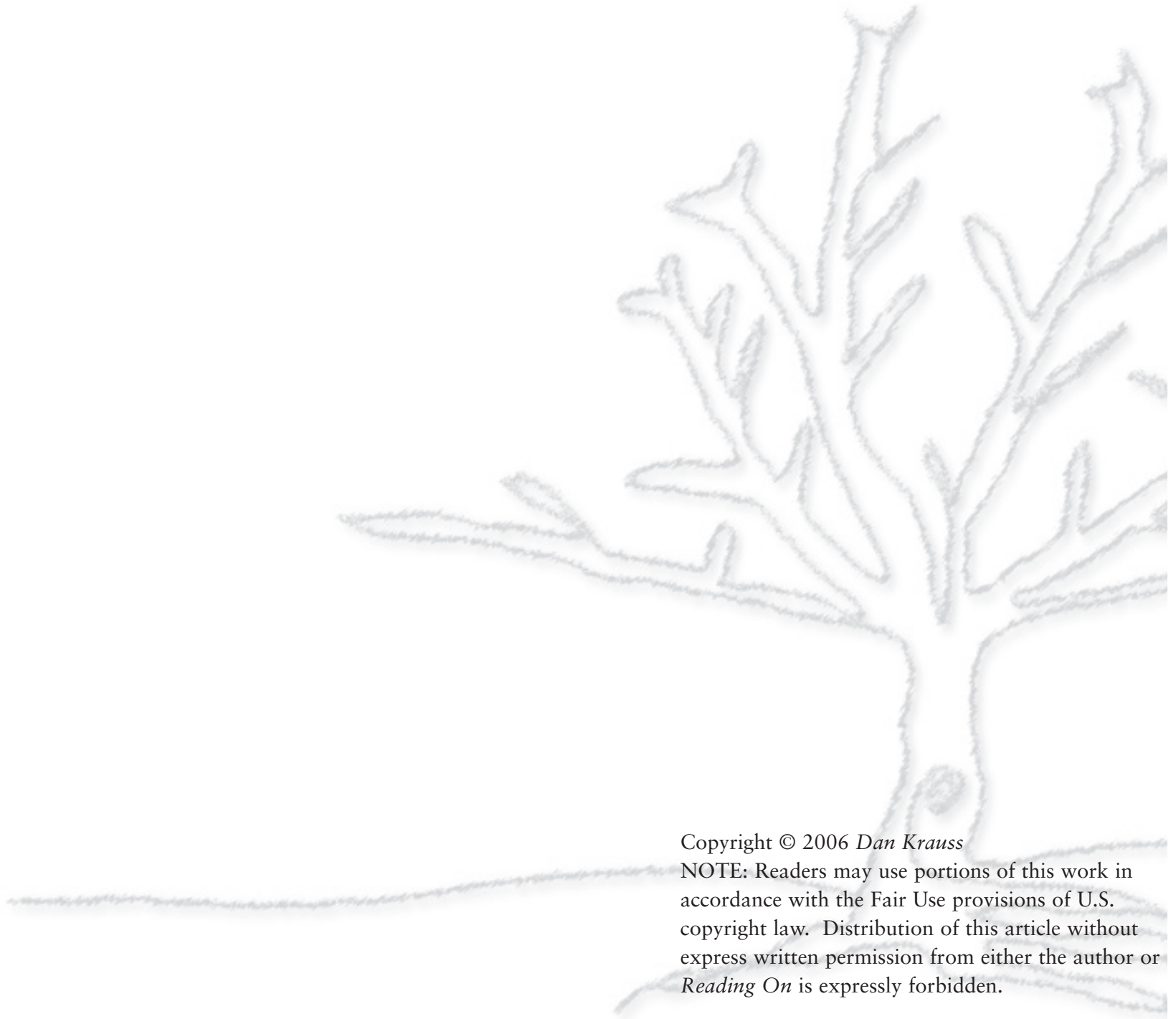


A resident of the Shaar Menashe hostel for mentally ill Holocaust survivors in Pardes Hanna, Israel stands alone outside the facility late at night. Some of the survivors, traumatized by the nightmarish memories of the Holocaust, cannot sleep through the night.



An enfeebled resident of the Shaar Menashe hostel for mentally ill Holocaust survivors in Pardes Hanna, Israel walks slowly toward the blinding light outdoors as another walks toward the shadows.





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