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**Author Devin Murphy Discusses Debut Novel at Library Event**

*ELMHURST, IL* -— Acclaimed author Devin Murphy visits Elmhurst Public Library on Thursday, April 26 at 7 p.m. to share his experience writing his debut novel *The Boat Runner*. The *New York Times* describes the book as “chilling” and “riveting.”

*The Boat Runner* is the story of a wealthy Dutch family whose lives are upended over the course of the WWII Nazi occupation. The story follows the youngest son through the forests of France, the stormy beaches of England, and deep within the secret missions of the German Navy as he is confronted with the moral dilemma that will change his life forever.

Murphy is an Assistant Professor of Creative Writing at Bradley University and his fiction has appeared in over 60 literary journals and anthologies. He lives in Chicago. *The Boat Runner* is his first novel.

There is a brief Q&A and book signing after the presentation. Copies of *The Boat Runner* will be available for purchase.

More information at **elmlib.org/author**. Register online, in person, or by calling (630) 279-8696.

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