



MUNRO'S BOOKS

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Statement from Munro's Books about the story of Andrea Robin Skinner

Munro's Books unequivocally supports Andrea Robin Skinner as she publicly shares her story of her sexual abuse as a child.

Learning the full truth about what happened to Andrea, and how Jim and Alice Munro and others failed her, was deeply distressing for everyone at Munro's Books. Andrea's story put some of the store's history into a very different perspective, and has led to some deep reflection on our role in upholding the Munro legacy.

Going forward, we will be donating all future proceeds from the sale of Alice Munro titles here at the bookstore to organizations supporting survivors of sexual abuse, and we have an ongoing commitment to help raise awareness of a subject too long kept secret.

It is important to respect Andrea's choices over how her story is shared more widely. While the bookstore is inextricably linked with Jim and Alice Munro, we have been independently owned since 2014. As such, we are not able to speak on behalf of Andrea or the Munro family, but we continue to offer our love and support.

Statement from the Munro family

We would like to thank the owners and staff of Munro's Books for supporting Andrea and other victims of sexual abuse. Alice and Jim Munro played significant roles in the store's identity; therefore, we appreciate the store's determination to chart a new future in which ending the legacy of silence is paramount.

We respectfully request that they not be asked or expected to answer questions about the Munro family.

Andrea, Andrew, Jenny, Sheila