



## The Story of My Tits

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In this fabulous memoir, Hayden traces her coming of age in terms of her breasts, from flat-chested adolescence to motherhood to breast cancer and a double mastectomy, taking readers full circle into her second life. For a story that cancer twines through (Hayden's mom and mother-in-law both had cancer as well), it is delightfully hilarious. Hayden has a gift for slowly building up the emotion until you're crying and then flipping it in the very next panel, so you're suddenly laughing. Make no mistake, this isn't just breast-cancer memoir, it's a true story of growing up: of discovering parents are fallible, of negotiating relationships and dealing with that complicated time when it seems everyone's getting married and having babies except you, of discovering what it is you want to do with your life. In the epilogue, Hayden is just starting to do comics and worries that she won't be good enough. Nine years and several comics later, it's pretty clear she has the right stuff.

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