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**Art Gallery of Hamilton salutes its volunteers
in the spirit of Volunteer Week
April 11 to 16, 2011**

The Art Gallery of Hamilton takes great pleasure in acknowledging the enthusiastic support it receives from its roster of volunteers.

In 2010, over 250 volunteers devoted over 10,000 hours to the AGH. Individuals gave of their time in various Gallery departments: Education, Shop at AGH, Media Programming, Membership, Library, Tours and Special Events. Volunteers focused their time, energy and expertise to various Gallery committees, including the Gallery's Board of Directors, Council of Governors, the Volunteer Committee, CLiC Committee and committees working on AGH special events and projects. Currently, a number of volunteers are working on the Gallery's 2014 Centennial celebrations.

For over 60 years, a dynamic AGH Volunteer Committee has supported the AGH. Working in collaboration with Gallery staff, these dedicated men and women exemplify the spirit of the AGH and positively represent the Gallery to visitors.

Whether greeting visitors to the Gallery, completing clerical duties in our offices, or helping with the set-up of a special event, AGH volunteers play an integral part in the Gallery's activities on a day-to-day basis.

"We are truly fortunate to have so many outstanding volunteers working alongside us at the Art Gallery of Hamilton," said AGH President and CEO Louise Dompierre. "I cannot overstate our volunteers' contribution; without their time and talent, the AGH would not be able to offer the breadth of programmes, activities and experiences that we make available to our community."

There are many opportunities to contribute to the Gallery and community by volunteering at the Art Gallery of Hamilton. These can include: becoming a member of the Volunteer Committee; serving as a Docent; providing support at a Gallery special event; completing an internship; and assisting with Educational programmes in order to fulfill high school volunteer hours.

To learn more about becoming an Art Gallery of Hamilton volunteer, please visit the About AGH section at www.artgalleryofhamilton.com

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