

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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**September 24 to October 3, 2010**

10 days. 36 films. 6 venues. From **Friday, September 24 to Sunday, October 3**, international cinema comes to Hamilton as the **Art Gallery of Hamilton World Film Festival** showcases acclaimed films selected from the world's top film festivals. Hamilton and area film audiences will experience films of all genres from Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, France, Germany, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Jordan, Mexico, The Netherlands, Senegal, South Africa, United Kingdom, USA and Zaire in the languages of Arabic, English, French, German, Hebrew, Inuktitut, Japanese, Italian, Mandarin and Spanish.

"What we really hope to do is give filmlovers the best festival experience possible," said AGH President and CEO Louise Dompierre. "We're screening over 35 feature films plus more than a dozen short format films. You'll have the opportunity to see the best films available to larger festivals but still keep the intimate feel residents of our community and visitors to our city expect from a Hamilton experience."

The AGH World Film Festival is expanding the number of its screening venues:

- Empire Jackson Square 6 Cinemas (2 King Street West, Hamilton);
- Westdale Theatre (1014 King Street West, Hamilton);
- MacIntyre Theatre (Mohawk College Fennell Campus, 135 Fennell Avenue West, Hamilton);
- Ancaster SilverCity (771 Golf Links Road, Ancaster);
- STARRT INSTITUTE (Mohawk College Stoney Creek Campus, 481 Barton Street East, Stoney Creek);
- and the Art Gallery of Hamilton (123 King Street West, Hamilton).

Special to the year's festival is the assistance of Cameron Bailey, co-director of the Toronto International Film Festival.

"Having an expert like Cameron Bailey assisting us in selecting films that speak to the African experience has been tremendous," said AGH President and CEO Louise Dompierre. "His knowledge of film goes beyond the purely academic. He clearly has a passion for film, as evidenced from his selections that help the AGH celebrate African art and culture and its influence on the world. It's an eclectic mix that includes strong films that deserve another look. Our filmgoers will be introduced – or reintroduced – to some powerful cinematic gems."

Also special to this year's film festival is the Cinema Hamilton night on Thursday, September 30 at the AGH. The best in indie films from Hamilton 24, Hamilton Film and Music Festival and Hamilton Film Festival will be screened.

On Saturday, September 25, the AGH World Film Festival will be participating in the James Street North Supercrawl with video installations on James Street North and partnering with the Downtown Hamilton BIA with free NFB screenings in Gore Park as part of its GOREmét Movie Night.

AGH World Film Festival acknowledges the support of its Festival Partners: Cineplex Media, BMO Financial Group, The Hamilton Spectator, Honeywell, The Hutton Family, MacGillivray Chartered Accountants & Business Partners, Mark A. Rizzo/CIBC Wood Gundy, Turkstra Lumber, Bankomedia, Canadian Heritage, CCXIT, Effort Trust, Hamilton Film & Television Office, Downtown Hamilton Business Improvement Area, Celebrate Ontario, Sol e Mar Catering, Tourism Hamilton and Upper James Toyota.

## [AGH WORLD FILM FESTIVAL LINE-UP](#)

### **\*Gala Screening\***

Friday, September 24 - 7 pm

#### **GET LOW**

*Dir. Aaron Schneider, USA, 2010, 100 min. Rated PG. Drama*

Screening at the Empire Jackson Square 6 Cinemas

Friday, September 24 – 7 pm

#### **POLICE, ADJECTIVE**

*Dir. Corneliu Porumboiu, 2009, Romania, 113 min, Romanian with English subtitles. Rated 14A.*

Crime Drama/Comedy

Screening at the Empire Jackson Square 6 Cinemas

Screening sponsor: Turkstra Lumber

Saturday, September 25 – 1 pm

#### **TOKYO SONATA**

*Dir. Kiyoshi Kurosawa, Australia, 2008, 117 min., Japanese with English subtitles. Rated PG. Drama*

Screening at the Westdale Theatre

Saturday, September 25 - 4:30 pm

#### **RUDO Y CURSI**

*Dir. Carlos Cuarón, 2008 Mexico, 103 min Spanish with English subtitles. Rated 18A. Comedy/Drama*

Screening at the Westdale Theatre

Saturday, September 25 - 7 pm

#### **THE SQUARE**

*Dir. Nash Edgerton, Australia, 2008, 105 min. Rated 14A. Thriller*

Screening at the Empire Jackson Square 6 Cinemas

Saturday, September 25 – 7 pm

#### **MID-AUGUST LUNCH (Pranzo di Ferracosto)**

*Dir. Gianni Di Gregorio, Italy, 2008, 75 min. Italian with English subtitles. Rated G. Comedy/Drama*

Screening at the STARRT Institute (Mohawk College Stoney Creek Campus)

Co-presented with Cinema Insieme

Saturday, September 25 - 9:30 pm

#### **WHITE RIBBON**

*Dir. Michael Haneke, Austria, Germany, France, 2010, 145 min. German with English subtitles. Rated 14A. Drama/Mystery*

Screening at the Empire Jackson Square 6 Cinemas

**\*\*FREE Event\*\***

Saturday, September 25 – dusk

**SUPERCRAWL SCREENING**

Video installations on James Street North

**\*\*FREE Event\*\***

Saturday, September 25 – 7 pm

**GOREmet Movie Night / Gore Park, downtown Hamilton**

In partnership with Localicious, Downtown Hamilton BIA and Supercrawl, screening NFB films throughout the evening at Gore Park/downtown Hamilton

Sunday, September 26 - 1 pm

**LIFE DURING WARTIME**

*Dir. Todd Solondz, USA, 2009, 88 min. Rated AA. Comedy/Drama*

Screening at the Westdale Theatre

Screening sponsor: MacGillivray

Sunday, September 26 - 4 pm

**A SHINE OF RAINBOWS**

*Dir. Vic Sarin, Canada, 2009, 101 min. Rated PG. Family*

Screening at the Art Gallery of Hamilton

Screening sponsor: The Hamilton Spectator

Sunday, September 26 - 4:30 pm

**THE NECESSITIES OF LIFE**

*Dir. Benoit Pilon, Canada, 2009, French and Inuktitut with English subtitles, 102 min. Rated PG.*

Drama

Screening at the Westdale Theatre

Sunday, September 26 - 7 pm

**THE SECRET OF KELLS**

*Dir. Tomm Moore and Nora Twomey, France, Belgium and Ireland, 2009, 79 min. Rated G.*

Fantasy/Animation

Screening at the Empire Jackson Square 6 Cinemas

Screening sponsor: The Hutton Family

Sunday, September 26 - 9 pm

**TEHROUN**

*Dir. Nader Tak mil Homayoun, 2009, France/Iran 95 min. Persian with English subtitles. Rated PG.*

Drama

Screening at the Empire Jackson Square 6 Cinemas

Monday, September 27 – 1 pm

**PLEASE GIVE**

*Dir. Nicole Holofcener, 2010, USA, 90 min. Rated 14A Comedy*

Screening at the Ancaster SilverCity

Co-presented with Ancaster Film Fest

Screening sponsor: Cineplex Media

Monday, September 27 - 4 pm

**ANIMAL KINGDOM**

*Dir. David Michod, Australia, 2010, 112 min. English. Rated 14 A. Drama*  
Screening at Ancaster SilverCity  
Co-presented with Ancaster Film Fest  
Screening sponsor: Cineplex Media

Monday, September 27 – 7 pm A

**WINTER'S BONE**

*Dir. Deborah Granik, USA, 2010, 100 min. Rated 14A. Drama*  
Screening at Ancaster SilverCity  
Co-presented with Ancaster Film Fest  
Screening sponsor: Cineplex Media

Monday, September 27 – 7 pm

**AJAMI**

*Dir. Scardar Copti and Yaron Shani, Israel, 2009, 120 min., Arabic and Hebrew with English subtitles. Rated 14A. Crime Drama*  
Screening at the Empire Jackson Square 6 Cinemas

Tuesday, September 28 – 7 pm

**MOTHER**

*Dir. Joon-ho Bong, South Korea, 128 min., Korean with English subtitles. Rated 18A. Drama*  
Screening at the Empire Jackson Square 6 Cinemas  
Screening sponsor: Mark A. Rizzo, CIBC Wood Gundy

Tuesday, September 28 – 7 pm

**PAX AMERICANA**

*Dir. Denis Delestrac, Canada, 2009, 85 min. Rated G. Documentary*  
Screening at the McIntyre Theatre / Mohawk College Fennell Campus

Tuesday, September 28 - 9:30 pm

**GONZO: The Life and Works of Dr. Hunter S. Thompson**

*Dir. Alex Gibney, USA, 2008, 120 min. Rated 14A. Documentary*  
Screening at the McIntyre Theatre / Mohawk College Fennell Campus

Wednesday, September 29 - 7 pm

**SIX MILES DEEP**

*Dir. Sara Roque, Canada, 2010, 43 min. Not Yet Rated. Documentary*  
Screening at the McIntyre Theatre / Mohawk College Fennell Campus

Wednesday, September 29 - 7 pm

**EVERYTHING IS FINE (Tout est parfait)**

*Dir. Yves Christian Fournier, Canada, 2009, 118 min., French with English subtitles. Rated 14A. Drama*  
Screening at the STARRT Institute (Mohawk College Stoney Creek Campus)

Wednesday, September 29 - 7 pm

**L'AFFAIRE FAREWELL**

*Dir. Christian Carion, France, 2009, 113 min French with English Subtitles. Rated PG. Thriller*  
Screening at the Empire Jackson Square 6 Cinemas  
Screening sponsor: Honeywell

Wednesday, September 29 - 9 pm

**LAND**

Dir. Julian T. Pinder, Canada, 2010, 90 min. Not Yet Rated. Documentary  
Screening at the McIntyre Theatre / Mohawk College Fennell Campus

Thursday, September 30 – 7 pm

**CINEMA HAMILTON**

*Featuring the best in indie films from Hamilton24, Hamilton Film & Music Festival and Hamilton Film Festival.*

Screening at the Art Gallery of Hamilton  
Co-presented with Hamilton24

Thursday, September 30 – 7 pm

**I AM LOVE (IO SONO L'AMORE)**

*Dir. Luca Guadagnino, Italy, 2009, 120 min., Italian with English subtitles. Rated 18A. Drama*  
Screening at the Empire Jackson Square 6 Cinemas  
Co-presented with Cinema Insieme

Thursday, September 30 – 7 pm

**LA VIE EST BELLE (Life is Rosy)**

Dir. Ngangura Mweze & Benoît Lamy, Belgium, Zaire, 1987, 85 min., French with English subtitles.  
Rated 14A. Comedy/Drama  
Selected by Cameron Bailey  
Screening at the McIntyre Theatre / Mohawk College Fennell Campus

Thursday, September 30 - 9 pm

**ÇA TWISTE À POPONGUINE (Rocking Popuguine)**

*Dir. Moussa Sene Absa, Senegal, 1994, 95 min., French with English subtitles. Not Yet Rated.*  
Comedy/Drama/Music  
Selected by Cameron Bailey  
Screening at the McIntyre Theatre / Mohawk College Fennell Campus

Thursday, September 30 - 9:30 pm

**LEBANON**

*Dir. Samuel Maoz, Israel, 2010, 93 min., Hebrew with English subtitles. Rated 18A. Drama*  
Screening at the Empire Jackson Square 6 Cinemas

**\*\* Gala Screening \*\***

Friday, October 1- 7 pm

**THIS MOVIE IS BROKEN**

*Dir. Bruce MacDonald, Canada, 2010, 85 min. Rated 14A. Drama*  
Screening at the Empire Jackson Square 6 Cinemas

**\*\*FREE First Friday Film\*\***

Friday, October 1 – 7 pm

**THE COCA-COLA CASE**

*Dir. German Gutierrez, 85 min., English and Spanish with English subtitles. Rated PG. Documentary*  
Screening at the Art Gallery of Hamilton

**\*\*FREE EVENT\*\***

Friday, October 1 – 7 pm

**In Conversation TALK MEDIA**

*Featuring Juno and Gemini Award winning filmmaker Andy Keen*

Location: Art Gallery of Hamilton

In partnership with Tony Vieira and the Factory Media Arts Centre

Friday, October 1 - 9:30 pm

**THE MAID**

*Dir. Sebatin Silva, 2009, Chile, 95 min., Spanish with English subtitles. Rated 14A. Drama/Comedy*

Screening at the Empire Jackson Square 6 Cinemas

Saturday, October 2 -1 pm

**CAPTAIN ABU RAED**

*Dir. Amin Atalqa, Jordan, Arabic with English subtitles, 2007, 102 min. Rated PG. Drama*

Screening at the Westdale Theatre

Saturday, October 2 - 4 pm

**MAO'S LAST DANCER**

*Dir. Bruce Beresford, Australia, 2009, 117 min. English and Mandarin with English subtitles. Rated PG. Drama*

Screening at the Westdale Theatre

Screening sponsor: Banko Media

Saturday, October 2 – 7 pm

**HUGH HEFNER: Playboy, Activist, and Rebel**

*Dir. Brigitte Berman, Canada, 2010, 124 min. Rated PG. Documentary*

Screening at the Empire Jackson Square 6 Cinemas

Saturday, October 2 - 7 pm

**FISH TANK**

*Dir. Andrea Arnold, United Kingdom/Netherlands, 2009, 123 min. Rated 18A. Drama*

Screening at the STARRT Institute (Mohawk College Stoney Creek Campus)

Saturday, October 2 - 9:30 pm

**THE DISAPPEARANCE OF ALICE CREED**

*Director J. Blakeson, United Kingdom, 2009, 97 min. Rated 14A. Thriller*

Screening at the Empire Jackson Square 6 Cinemas

Sunday, October 3 - 1 pm

**AMANDLA! A Revolution in Four Part Harmony**

*Dir. Lee Hirsch, South Africa, USA, 2002, 108 min. Rated 14A. Documentary*

Screening at the Westdale Theatre

Sunday, October 3 - 4 pm

**POOR BOY'S GAME**

*Dir. Clement Virgo, Canada, 2007, 104 min. Rated 14A. Drama*

Selected by Cameron Bailey

Screening at the Westdale Theatre

Film lovers are encouraged to meet at the **Vibe Lounge**, located at the AGH, before or after the movie for coffee and discussion.

Individual tickets for films are \$10.00 each. Tickets to the two Gala Screenings (*Get Low* on Friday, September 30 and *This Movie is Broken* on Friday, October 1 are \$25.00 and includes a complimentary drink to the Vibe Lounge/AGH post-screening party). Tickets to the family screening of *A Shine of Rainbows* (Sunday, September 26 at 4 pm at the AGH) are \$5.00 each. Blocks of ten film tickets (excluding Gala screenings) are \$90.00. A Festival Pass which gives access to all screenings (including the two Gala screenings and two complimentary drinks) is \$250.00.

Tickets can be purchased **ONLINE** at [www.aghfilmfest.com](http://www.aghfilmfest.com), by **PHONE** at 905-527-6610, ext. 241 or ext. 226, or **IN PERSON** at the AGH Front Desk during Gallery hours.

**For further Art Gallery of Hamilton World Film Festival information, including individual film descriptions, trailers, screening locations and festival-related programming, please visit [www.aghfilmfest.com](http://www.aghfilmfest.com).**

Founded in 1914, the **Art Gallery of Hamilton** is Canada's seventh largest public art gallery (and Ontario's third largest), owns one of the country's best art collections, welcomes over 160,000 visitors per year, and hosts an extensive programme of exhibitions, educational programmes, performances, talks, literary events, and film screenings.

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