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Savour a tasty reading by acclaimed author Sheila Heti
at the Art Gallery of Hamilton

Join other book lovers at the Art Gallery of Hamilton as award-winning Canadian author **Sheila Heti** reads from her first novel, *Ticknor* on **Thursday, November 24 at 7:30 pm.**

Sheila Heti's novel *Ticknor* tells the story of a lonely, failed writer contemplating his life's misfortunes as he carries a pie to the dinner party of a successful childhood friend.

Heti will be joined by essayist and McMaster University professor Lorraine York for a post-reading discussion about "literary celebrity" and current trends in contemporary Canadian fiction.

In spring 2005, Sheila Heti released her first novel, *Ticknor*. She is a KM Hunter Artists Award winner (2002), a four-time winner of the Toronto weekly NOW magazine's Best Emerging Writer award, and was a finalist for the ReLit Award (2002) and Upper Canada Writer's Craft Award (2001). Lorraine York is a contemporary Canadian literature specialist with a particular interest in theories of celebrity and authorship.

Admission is \$5.00. Tickets may be purchased at the door or on-line at www.artgalleryofhamilton.com. Tickets purchased to the AGH's *Heaven and Earth Unveiled* exhibition and redeemed on November 24th receive free admission to the Sheila Heti reading.

This literary evening is presented as part of the AGH's *The Feast: Food in Art*, an exhibition of historical and contemporary art with food as its subject matter, running until December 31st.

The Art Gallery of Hamilton is located 123 King Street West in downtown Hamilton.

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