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AGHfilm presents the powerful documentary
Murderball

The Art Gallery of Hamilton's 2005 fall film programme continues with the screening of the award-winning documentary **Murderball**, on **Wednesday, October 12**, 2005 at 7:10 pm at Jackson Square Cinemas, 2 King Street West, Hamilton. Tickets are \$6.00 for AGH Members, \$8.00 for students and seniors and \$10.00 for adults. Full ticket and film information is available by calling 905-527-6610, ext. 232 or by visiting www.artgalleryofhamilton.com

A Canadian invention, murderball is a full contact sport played on a basketball court by quadriplegic athletes in armoured Mad Max-like wheelchairs. **Murderball** breaks down any pity, misconceptions and ignorance by going beyond the court to reveal an intimate look at the personalities of these remarkable athletes. Directed by Henry Alex Rubin and Dana Adam Shapiro, **Murderball** was the Winner of the Audience Choice Awards at the 2005 Sundance Film Festival, Full Frame Documentary Festival and Indianapolis Film Festival and Special Jury Prize for Editing at the 2005 Sundance Film Festival.

The evening will begin with a screening of the short comedy film **Boyclops**. A parody of after-school specials, our teenaged hero is determined to make the high-school Frisbee team and win the girl of his dreams. But as a Cyclops, impaired depth perception makes things a trifle difficult. **Boyclops** is presented as part of The Film Circuit's Canadian Short Film Showcase, which promotes the best of new Canadian short films and introduces filmmakers to new audiences.

AGHfilm is sponsored by Turkstra Lumber and is organized in partnership with The Film Circuit, an association of film groups that screen new feature films in over 180 communities. The Film Circuit is a division of the Toronto International Film Festival Group, a charitable, cultural, and educational organization devoted to celebrating excellence in film and the moving image. The AGH gratefully acknowledges the Canada Council for the Arts, the Ontario Arts Council and the City of Hamilton for their generous support of all our programmes. Media support provided by View Magazine and Wave 94.7.

For complete AGHfilm information, visit the Art Gallery of Hamilton's Web site at www.artgalleryofhamilton.com or by calling 905-527-6610, ext. 232, or e-mailing film@artgalleryofhamilton.com

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