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Art Gallery of Hamilton presents  
**SACKS AND THE CITY**  
a stylish show and silent auction



The Art Gallery of Hamilton is pleased to announce its upcoming stylish fundraising event **Sacks and the City** on **Wednesday, November 19<sup>th</sup>** at 5:00 pm at the AGH, 123 King Street West in downtown Hamilton.

Following last year's sold-out fashion event at the AGH, fashion's back at the Gallery ... with a *twist!* Perfectly timed to encompass the gift-buying season and the onset of holiday events, **Sacks and the City** includes a complimentary specialty cocktail, hors d'oeuvres, a fashion show of unique fashion-forward and vintage bags (...and purses and sacks and briefcases and totes) and a silent auction of every bag on display.

For added excitement, each sensational bag available for auction will also contain an additional prize valued at \$50 or more (often much more!) that will be revealed once the successful bidder has purchased and acquired their new bag. Proceeds from this event will benefit programming at the AGH.

Special host for this evening will be Lucy Zilio of OMNI TV and City TV, musical entertainment by The Kensington Horns, and Live DJ Carla Coma. Event Partners: RBC, KPMG and GayLea Foods. Event Friend: AON Reed Stenhouse. Wine Partner: Andrew Peller Limited.

Students from Mohawk College's Aesthetic, Make-up Artistry, and Design Programmes, directed by faculty, are putting skills honed in the classroom to work in this endeavour, providing hair, make up, modelling and design expertise to **Sacks and the City**. The fashion show, produced by Alisha Townsend of Fresh Studios, includes the unveiling of an original outfit, designed by Mohawk design students.

The evening will begin with registration at 5:00 pm, cocktail supper at 5:30 pm with the parade of silent auction items beginning at 6:00 pm.

Fashionistas can peruse offerings by Andrew Peller International, 4VOO, Baggage Handbags, Bazura Bags, Bennie and Olive, Bernadinos, Blue Moon Trading Co., Cabrelli Inc., Caracol, Cha Cha, Concubine Inc., DIDIS Studio, Doppelganger Handiwork, Ellis Designs, English Retreads, ESPE, FELT Studio, Gaya Canada, Greenville Gourmet, Hanley's Shoe Shoppe, Harvey's Seatbelt Bags, Honeybea Design Hive, IMOOI, In House Etc., Janet Basket, Jeanne Lottie's Fashion, J.J. Orr Designer Collection, Jenna Rose, Joelle's, KAIROS Designs, Klutch Bags, Krane Design, Leo Rising, Lug Canada, MacFAB Home, Millicent - Painted Arrow, Ohh! My Back Shed Too!, Pac-West Imports, Prickly Pear, Rendezvous Gardens, Rexcana Shoes and Handbags, Smitten Kitten, Snapdragon Designs, Sparrow Handbags, Suede & Co., Susan Rose Bags and Accessories, Veneto Handbags, Vintage Bags and Virginia Johnson, among others.

Winning silent auction bidders will receive a surprise gift by one of the following gift donors: aniapopcreations, Bernadinos, B\*Jewelled Vintage, B&L Designs, Braden Hammond Glass, Divine Time Wellness Centre and Spa, Fab Accessories, Greenville Gourmet, Hilborn Pottery Design Inc., Ike Ahmed, IMOOI, In House Etc., Kemi Trading, La Cantina Ristorante, La Piazza Allegra, Lord Nelson Restaurant, Masterpiece Cabinets, Merx Inc., Mike Lalich Photography, Oceans Apart, Ohh! My Back Shed Too!, Pac-West Imports, Parade Organics, Poise Boutique, Seaberry Designs, Seven Windows Restaurant, Smitten Kitten, Theatre Aquarius, Thomas Allen & Son Ltd, Torre & Tagus, Umbra and wirebendart.com, among others.

Tickets are \$50.00 each and are available online at [www.artgalleryofhamilton.com](http://www.artgalleryofhamilton.com) or by phone at 905-527-6610, ext. 248.

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