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The glamorous documentary of a beloved dance company – *AGHfilm screens Ballet Russes*

AGH*film* presents the compelling documentary ***Ballet Russes*** on Wednesday, February 8 at 7:10 pm at the Empire Jackson Square 6 Cinemas, 2 King Street West in downtown 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.

Prior to World War II, London's high society was consumed by another feud – the “ballet battle” between two rival dance troupes with the identical company name of Ballet Russes. As the dueling troupes struggled for greater recognition, egos clashed, jealousies ripened, costs skyrocketed and some of the most enthralling and innovative choreography in the history of dance was created. Using glorious archival footage and captivating interviews with surviving dancers – now in their 70s, 80s and 90s – directors Dan Geller and Dayna Goldfine take audiences back to an exciting time in ballet's history to reveal a saga that will compel all viewers, regardless of their interest in dance, to appreciate the glamour and history of the ***Ballet Russes*** journey from Europe to North America.

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