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A pitch-perfect film about the powerful influence of a teacher.

**Art Gallery of Hamilton Film Programme**  
presents

## **Les Choristes**

The Art Gallery of Hamilton Film Programme presents the heart-warming **Les Choristes** on **Wednesday, May 18, 2005** at 7:10 pm at the Famous Players Cinema, Jackson Square, 2 King Street West, Hamilton. Tickets are \$10.00 each, \$8.00 for students and seniors, \$6.00 for Gallery Members. Full ticket and film information is available by calling 905-527-6610, ext. 232 or by visiting [www.artgalleryofhamilton.com](http://www.artgalleryofhamilton.com)

**Les Choristes** is set in the austere Fond de l'Étang boarding school where, in the 1940s, bullies and pranksters whose parents have given up on them, prowl alongside orphans who have recently lost their families to the war. These rebellious youngsters endure day after day under the thumb of headmaster Rachin, a sour-faced disciplinarian who terrifies his students and resolves issues by banishing boys into solitary confinement. Into this dour environment comes a beautiful dreamer trapped in the form of a frumpy, middle-aged music teacher. While incurring the wrath of his superior, the teacher gamely suffers the boys' pranks, nurtures their talents and eventually wins their trust through the music they create together. Nominated for Best Foreign Language Film, 2005 Academy Awards.

The **AGH Film Programme** is organized in partnership with The Film Circuit, a charitable, cultural, and educational organization that is a division of the Toronto International Film Festival Group. The AGH Film Programme receives funding from Turkstra Lumber, media support from View Magazine and Wave 94.7 and is supported by the Ontario Arts Council and The Canada Council for the Arts.

For more information about the **AGH Winter/Spring 2005 Film Programme**, visit the Art Gallery of Hamilton's Web site at [www.artgalleryofhamilton.com](http://www.artgalleryofhamilton.com) or call 905-527-6610, ext. 232, or e-mail [jennifer@artgalleryofhamilton.com](mailto:jennifer@artgalleryofhamilton.com)

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