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**Art Gallery of Hamilton, Bryan Prince Bookseller and A Different Drummer  
Book present  
An Evening with Douglas Coupland**

The Art Gallery of Hamilton, Bryan Prince Bookseller and a different drummer books, in conjunction with Random House of Canada, are pleased to present an evening with renowned writer/artist Douglas Coupland in a discussion of his new book *jPod*, Thursday, May 25<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm at the Art Gallery of Hamilton. The AGH is located at 123 King Street West in downtown Hamilton.

In his latest novel, bestselling author Douglas Coupland, takes no prisoners in the world of technogeeks and computer nerds. Lost in the no-escape architectural limbo on the fringes of a massive Vancouver game design company, the six characters in *jPOD* are confronted daily with the forces that define our era: global piracy, boneheaded marketing staff, people smuggling, the rise of China, marijuana grow ops, Jeff Probst, and the ashes of the 1990s financial tech dream. The world of *jPOD* is amoral and shameless. The characters are the products of the era that they have a hand in creating. Full of word games, visual jokes, and sideways jabs, this book throws a sharp, pointed lawn dart into the heart of contemporary life. This is Douglas Coupland at the top of his game.

Douglas Coupland was born in 1961. He is the bestselling author of many novels including *Eleanor Rigby*, *Generation X*, and *Microserfs*. He is also a visual artist and sculptor, furniture designer, and screenwriter. Douglas Coupland has also written several books of non-fiction including *Souvenir of Canada*, *Souvenir of Canada 2*, and *Terry*, a biography of Terry Fox.

Also featured on the evening's programme will be a performance by Tiny Bill Cody and The Liquormen. Tiny Bill Cody is an artist/musician/performer based in Hamilton who yodels and mixes theatre, performance art and spoken word. His recent body of work, *Unlikely Concerts*, feature performances designed specifically to celebrate obscure circumstances and locations.

Tickets are \$7.00 each and are available by calling 905-527-6610, ext 232, at the Art Gallery of Hamilton's Front Desk during Gallery hours, at Bryan Prince Booksellers (1060 King Street West, Hamilton, 905-528-4508) and at A Different Drummer Books (513 Locust Street, Burlington, 905-639-0925).

For more information, please call 905-527-6610, ext. 232.

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*Tickets: \$7*