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**Short-format films by local filmmakers and performances by local musicians scheduled as part of the Art Gallery of Hamilton Festitalia International Film Festival**

In addition to presenting the latest in international releases and the best in Canadian and children's films, the Art Gallery of Hamilton Festitalia International Film Festival is pleased to announce the screening of short-format films by local filmmakers and performances by noted local musicians. The screening of the short-format films and the performances will take place prior to the screening of the feature film.

Ticket pricing includes feature film and short-format film screening.

**Wednesday, September 23 at 6:45 pm**

(Screening prior to *The Pool* at Empire Jackson Square 6 Cinemas. Tickets: \$10)

**Short film:** *The Almond Sorters* (featuring Michael Occhipinti and The Sicilian Jazz Project)

**Wednesday, September 23 at 9:15 pm**

(Screening prior to *Quiet Chaos* at Empire Jackson Square 6 Cinemas. Tickets: \$10)

**Short film:** *Service* (Shooting Eye Productions – Winner of the Hamilton 24 Hour Film Festival)

**Performance** by singer/musician Ginger St. James (View Magazine Reader's Choice Award for Female Artist of the Year).

**Thursday, September 24 at 6:45 pm**

(Screening prior to *Valentino: The Last Emperor* at Empire Jackson Square 6 Cinemas. Tickets: \$10)

**Short film:** *Go Diva* (featuring Canadian soprano Measha Brueggergosman)

**Short film:** *What's Going On* (featuring Mississippi Kings, produced by Fenian Films, Hamilton and Vibewrangler Studios, Hamilton)

**Friday, September 25 at 6:45 pm**

(Screening prior to *Il Divo* at Empire Jackson Square 6 Cinemas. Tickets: \$10)

**Short Film:** *I'll Never Tear You Apart* (featuring Martin Tielli of *The Rheostatics*, filmed at Catharine North Studios, Hamilton)

**Friday, September 25 at 9:15 pm**

(Screening prior to *Sugar* at Empire Jackson Square 6 Cinemas. Tickets: \$10)

**Short Film:** *Hey Brotha* (featuring Hamilton-based singer Queen Cee)

**Saturday, September 26 at 1:30 pm**

(Screening prior to *Amal*, Westdale Theatre. Tickets: \$10)

**Short Film:** *Frankencottage* (featuring Dark Mean, produced by Vibewrangler Studios, Hamilton)

**Saturday, September 26 at 4:30 pm**

(Screening prior to *My Winnipeg* at the Westdale Theatre. Tickets: \$10)

**Short Film:** *Subdivisions* (featuring Hamilton-based musician Jacob Moon - Part One of the *Rooftop Series*)

**Saturday, September 26 at 6:45 pm**

(Screening prior to *Tetro* at Empire Jackson Square 6 Cinemas. Tickets: \$10)

**Short Film:** *I Can't Stand It* (featuring Hamilton-based band Lee Harvey Osmond)

**Short Film:** *Come Talk to Me* (featuring Hamilton-based musician Jacob Moon – Launch of Part Two of the *Rooftop Series*)

**Saturday, September 26 at 9:15 pm**

(Screening prior to *S raphine* at Empire Jackson Square 6 Cinemas. Tickets: \$10)

**Short Film:** *The Vampire* (featuring Bob Lanois, produced by Fenian Films, Hamilton)

**Sunday, September 27 at 1:30 pm**

(Screening prior to *The Stone Angel* at Westdale Theatre. Tickets: \$10)

**Short Film:** *The Artist* (featuring Michele Cournoyer, courtesy of the National Film Board)

**Sunday September 27 at 3:00 pm** – The Hamilton Spectator Cinekids (Tickets: \$5)

**Performance** by children's entertainer Lisa Diliberto prior to the screening of *It's an Animation Celebration!* at the AGH and at 4 pm, a clowning and movement workshop for kids.)

*Tickets purchased to The Hamilton Spectator Cinekids screenings also give admission to the AGH's Family Fun Day art-making activities!*)

**Sunday, September 27 at 4:30 pm**

(Screening prior to *Fugitive Pieces* at Westdale Theatre. Tickets: \$10)

**Short Film:** *I am aglow* (featuring Sarah Harmer)

The Art Gallery of Hamilton is located at 123 King Street West, downtown Hamilton. Empire Jackson Square 6 Cinemas is located at 2 King Street West, downtown Hamilton. Westdale Theatre is located at 1014 King Street West, Hamilton.

Film lovers are invited to gather at the special **Festival Vibe Lounge** in the AGH Lobby. Open Wednesday, September 23 and Friday, September 25 (5 pm to midnight) and Thursday, September 24 and Saturday, September 26 (5 pm to 9:30 pm). Cash bar available.

The AGH Festitalia International Film Festival would like to thank its Partners: **Cineplex Media, The Hamilton Spectator, LIUNA Local 837, RBC Royal Bank, Turkstra Lumber and Upper James Toyota.**

The Art Gallery of Hamilton Festitalia International Film Festival is grateful for the support of the Friends of the Festival: **Cable 14; The Department of Canadian Heritage (Government of Canada); Empire Theatres; Fenian Films; Hamilton Film and Television Office; Movieola; TLN Telelatino; Westdale Theatre; Film Circuit, A Division of the Toronto International Film Festival, and The City of Hamilton.**

Film Festival tickets may be purchased in advance online at [www.artgalleryofhamilton.com](http://www.artgalleryofhamilton.com), in person at the Art Gallery of Hamilton Front Desk during Gallery hours, or at the screening venue 30 minutes prior to screening time (subject to availability).

For complete film descriptions and scheduling, and to view film trailers, please visit [www.artgalleryofhamilton.com](http://www.artgalleryofhamilton.com).

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