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AGH film screens director Fritz Lang's classic silent film

Metropolis

The Fall 2008 **AGH film series** screens the influential film **Metropolis**, newly restored with its original score, on **Wednesday, November 19 at 7:00 pm** at the Empire Jackson Square 6 Cinemas, 2 King Street West, downtown Hamilton.

Presented in Association with the Hamilton and District Labour Council and 93.3 CFMU

Tickets are \$6.00 for AGH Members, \$8.00 for students and seniors and \$10.00 for general admission. Tickets may be purchased online in advance at www.artgalleryofhamilton.com, in person at the AGH's Front Desk during Gallery hours or at the venue door the evening of the screening beginning at 6:30 pm.

Perhaps the most famous and influential of all silent films, for 75 years **Metropolis**, has been seen in shortened or truncated versions. Now, restored in Germany with state-of-the-art digital technology, and with the original 1927 orchestral score, it can be appreciated in its full glory. Under the direction of Fritz Lang, **Metropolis** takes place in 2026, when the populace is divided between workers who must live in the dark underground and the rich who enjoy a futuristic city of splendor. The tense balance of these two societies is realized through images that are among the most famous of the 20th century. Lavish and spectacular, with elaborate sets and modern science fiction style, **Metropolis** stands today as the crowning achievement of the German silent cinema. NR.

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For complete AGH*film* information, visit the Art Gallery of Hamilton's website at www.artgalleryofhamilton.com, call 905-527-6610, ext. 232, or e-mail film@artgalleryofhamilton.com

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