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AGH *film* series screens the BMO Bank of Montreal / AGH World Film Festival
2010 Audience Choice Award

The Necessities of Life

AGH *film* series screens the poignant film **The Necessities of Life** on **Wednesday, November 24 at 7:00 pm** at the **Empire Jackson Square 6 Cinemas**, 2 King Street West, downtown Hamilton.

The Necessities of Life was awarded the BMO Bank of Montreal Audience Choice Award at the Art Gallery of Hamilton's recent World Film Festival held September 24 to October 3, 2010. Festival-goers filled out ballots indentifying their favourite film.

Tickets are \$6.00 for AGH Members (including student e-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.

In 1952, an Inuit hunter named Tivii with tuberculosis leaves his northern home and family to go recuperate at a sanatorium in Quebec City. Uprooted, far from his loved ones, unable to speak French and faced with a completely alien world, he becomes despondent. When he refuses to eat and expresses a wish to die, his nurse, Carole, comes to the realization that Tivii's illness is not the most serious threat to his well-being. She arranges to have a young orphan, Kaki, transferred to the institution. The boy is also sick, but has experience with both worlds and speaks both languages. By sharing his culture with Kaki and opening it up to others, Tivii rediscovers his pride and energy. Ultimately he also rediscovers hope through a plan to adopt Kaki, bring him home and make him part of his family. Director: Benoit Pilon, 2009, Canada, 102 min. French and Inuktitut with English subtitles. *Rated PG*

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Full-time students of Mohawk College, McMaster University, Redeemer College, Columbia College and the Canadian Institute for Dental Hygiene are student e-Members at the AGH, courtesy of the Gallery's Audience Development partner, RBC.

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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