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THREE STUNNING EXHIBITIONS INSPIRE A SERIES OF TALKS IN JUNE AT THE ART GALLERY OF HAMILTON

Throughout the month of June, the **Art Gallery of Hamilton talk series** presents an engaging schedule of talks complementing current exhibitions on view.

On **Sunday, June 6 at 2 pm**, AGH *talk series* presents ***A Conversation Among Friends - Remembering Robert Mason*** in honour of the current Gallery retrospective exhibition of this noted Hamilton artist who passed away in 2008. The AGH has invited artists, curators and friends to share their memories and thoughts on the work of this important figure in Canadian art. Chaired by Shirley Madill, our panel includes Ivan Jurakic and Reinhard Reitzenstein. Tickets are \$6 for AGH Members, \$10 for Students and Seniors and \$12 for Non-Members. The exhibition *Robert Mason* is on view at the Art Gallery of Hamilton until August 15.

On **Friday, June 11 at 6:30 pm**, ***An Evening with Brendan Fernandes*** offers a unique opportunity to hear from an exhibiting artist. Fernandes' exhibition, *until we fearless*, (on view until October 3), offers a glimpse into a world of African heritage, appropriated imagery and issues of identity. Please join us for this inspiring talk and look at his intriguing contemporary exhibition. Brendan Fernandes has been long-listed for the 2010 Sobey Art Award, Canada's preeminent prize for contemporary Canadian art. Tickets are \$6 for AGH Members, \$10 for Students and Seniors and \$12 for Non-Members.

On **Thursday, June 24 at 6:30 pm**, Dr. Silvia Forni, Associate Curator of Anthropology in the ROM's Department of World Cultures, discusses ***Objects and Power in the Cameroonian Grassfields***, a look at traditional art forms of the Cameroonian grassfields, including some of the masking traditions associated with political and religious powers. The objects included in the current AGH exhibition *Dance of Life: The Tanenbaum African Collection* (on view until September 6) come from across the African continent, and this talk will offer insight into the works of African art recently donated to the AGH by Joey and Toby Tanenbaum. Tickets are \$6 for AGH Members, \$10 for Students and Seniors and \$12 for Non-Members.

To reserve your tickets to all AGH talk events, please call 905.527.6610, ext. 241 or email registration@artgalleryofhamilton.com. Ticket may also be purchased online at www.artgalleryofhamilton.com

The Art Gallery of Hamilton is located at 123 King Street West, downtown Hamilton.

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For further information, please visit www.artgalleryofhamilton.com

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