

## ART GALLERY OF HAMILTON BRINGS BACK "PAY WHAT YOU WISH" ADMISSION ON WEEKDAYS FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST

Visit the AGH during the week in August and pay what you wish to see its outstanding exhibitions



Visitors to the Art Gallery of Hamilton enjoy are you experienced?, currently on view.

Installation view, Hadley+Maxwell, *I* (detail), 2009, single-channel video with sound, freestanding screen, with red, green and blue theatre lights, 21:01, in collaboration with Emma Waltraud Howes. Music by Meshuggah, "I", from the album *I*, *Nuclear Blast*, 2006. Courtesy of the artists. Photo by Mike Lalich.

June 22, 2015 – The Art Gallery of Hamilton is offering "Pay What You Wish" exhibition admission during the week (Tuesday to Friday) throughout the month of August, starting Monday August 3. It will continue on weekdays until Friday August 28.

"The purpose of instituting 'Pay What You Wish' admission is to enable as many people as possible to see and experience our exhibitions and programs," said Shelley Falconer, AGH President and CEO. "We are committed to providing broad access to the Gallery and its outstanding collection and exhibitions. As one of the region's most unique cultural assets, we

hope that "Pay What You Wish" admission will encourage community members of all ages to discover and re-discover the AGH."

On view during the month of August:

are you experienced? is a groundbreaking contemporary art exhibition that features immersive and interactive installations by six internationally renowned artists who have never exhibited together before: Nadia Belerique (Toronto), Jessica Eaton (Montreal), Olafur Eliasson (Berlin, Danish-Icelandic), Dorian FitzGerald (Toronto), Hadley+Maxwell (Berlin, Canadian) and famed Korean artist Do Ho Suh. Blending abstraction, figuration, photography, video, and sound art, are you experienced? will engage audiences, young and old alike, on several levels.

**Art for a Century: 100 for the 100**<sup>th</sup> was originally curated to celebrate the AGH Centennial in 2014. It presents 100 treasures from the Gallery's permanent collection, which is regarded as one of the best in Canada. The paintings and sculptures, which continue to rotate as works go out on loan, highlight the collection's three core areas: Canadian historical, Canadian and international contemporary, and European art. Ultimately, **Art for a Century: 100 for the 100**<sup>th</sup> invites viewers to wander, discover, and contemplate anew artworks that will continue to enlighten for the next 100 years and beyond.

For more information about the exhibitions on view visit <a href="www.artgalleryofhamilton.com">www.artgalleryofhamilton.com</a>, and connect with us on Facebook (<a href="facebook.com/artgalleryofhamilton">facebook.com/artgalleryofhamilton</a>) and Twitter (<a href="www.artgalleryofhamilton">@theAGH</a>). Join the conversation by using #AGHayx and #ArtforaCentury.

## **About the Art Gallery of Hamilton**

Founded in 1914, the Art Gallery of Hamilton is the oldest and largest public art gallery in southwestern Ontario. Its permanent collection, which is focused on historical Canadian, 19th-century European and Contemporary art, now numbers more than 10,000 works and is recognized as one of the finest in Canada. The AGH is a vital creative hub and centre of lifelong learning that enables people of all ages to enrich their lives by gaining a deeper understanding of art. Visit <a href="https://www.artgalleryofhamilton.com">www.artgalleryofhamilton.com</a> for more information.

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