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PHOTOPHOBIA Contemporary Moving Image Festival

Art Gallery of Hamilton and Hamilton Artists Inc. announce the return of Photophobia and Call for Entry

Deadline for Submission is April 15, 2016

March 14, 2016 - The Art Gallery of Hamilton and Hamilton Artists Inc. are pleased to announce the return of *Photophobia*, a two-night outdoor screening festival of short-format contemporary media, film, video and moving image this June. Launched in 1999, *Photophobia* was Hamilton's first film and video festival dedicated to showcasing experimental time-based media when there were no such platforms in the Hamilton community.

After an absence of eight years, the Art Gallery of Hamilton and Hamilton Artists Inc. are once again partnering to showcase the work of contemporary practitioners who test the boundaries of the medium. Not confined by restrictions or themes, *Photophobia* is a free, two-part screening series presented outdoors, under the cover of night. The first screening of Photophobia 10 will be presented on Saturday June 4, at 9:30 pm in Hamilton Artists Inc.'s ArcelorMittal Dofasco Courtyard (155 James Street North at Cannon Street in downtown Hamilton). The second screening will be presented on Thursday, June 23, at 9:30 pm in the Art Gallery of Hamilton's Irving Zucker Sculpture Garden (123 King Street West at Bay Street in downtown Hamilton).

The Art Gallery of Hamilton and Hamilton Artists Inc. are issuing a Call for Submission.

In order to submit works:

- Applicants must reside in the greater Hamilton region
- Submissions may be no longer than 15 minutes in duration.

- Submissions must have been produced after 2013.
- Only submissions sent in digital Vimeo or YouTube files will be considered. Do
 not send files using Wetransfer or any other transfer platform that has a time limit
 for hosting the files.
- Only one submission per artist will be accepted.
- All submissions must be independent projects, meaning that the artist retains complete creative and artistic control of the project.

Your submission must include:

- Artist biography (75 words maximum)
- Artist CV (3 pages maximum)
- Short description of your submission (100 words maximum)
- The following entry information: title of work / year work completed / artist name / address / phone number / e-mail address / submitter's role in production/ format / length.

Interested participants are asked to send their submissions by **11:59 p.m. on April 15, 2016** to the Selections Committee at photophobia@artgalleryofhamilton.com. Submissions (excluding video) should be merged into a single pdf. Hard copy submissions will not be considered.

Selected films will be paid CARFAC screening rates.

For complete Photophobia and Call for Entry information, please visit www.artgalleryofhamilton.com

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