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Mount St. Mary Foundation Goes to the Movies Made In Dagenham chosen as fundraiser

Mount St. Mary Foundation has chosen the acclaimed movie, *Made In Dagenham* for their fundraising afternoon on Sunday May 8. The movie will be shown at 2 pm at the UVic Cinecenta, Students Union Building. Admission is \$25 and includes the movie, soft drink and popcorn. Funds from this movie afternoon will go towards programs and equipment that directly benefit the residents of Mount St. Mary Hospital. Tickets can be purchased at 250-480-3140.

About the movie Set in 1960s England, Made In Dagenham is based on a true story about a group of spirited women who joined forces, took a stand for what was right, and in doing so, found their own inner strength.

In a star-studded cast, Made In Dagenham recounts the story of Rita O'Grady (Sally Hawkins), and her friends and co-workers at the city's Ford Motor Factory who have to put up with poor working conditions. Rita, is coerced into attending a meeting with shop steward Connie (Geraldine James), sympathetic union representative Albert (Bob Hoskins) and Peter Hopkins (Rupert Graves), Ford's Head of Industrial Relations. What she expects to be simply a day out of work, complete with a free lunch, turns into much more when she and her colleagues become outraged by the lack of respect shown in the meeting to the women employees.

With humour, common sense and courage Rita and the other women take on their bosses, an increasingly belligerent local community, and finally the government, as their intelligence and unpredictability proves to be a match for any of their male opponents. Daring to stand up and push boundaries, the women changed a system that no one wanted to admit was broken.

The Mount St. Mary Foundation is a not-for-profit organization, created to support the many valuable programs of Mount St. Mary Hospital and to enrich the quality of life of the residents who live there.

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