



# Fielding Focus

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## STUDENTS IMPACTED BY FILM

In its search for excellence, Marymount Academy has made it tradition that students learn more about society by going out into it and discovering for themselves, asking questions and thinking. They do this through hands

on experiences in the community, lectures at the school and by film. Marymount Academy offers "A World of Possibilities" to its students. On October 24, 19 students, along with their vice-principal, **Dina Vourdousis** and two teachers, hopped on public transit and headed off to the Outremont Theatre to see the film, *Shekinah: The Intimate Life of Hasidic Women*, to learn more about a religious group that, up until now, lived quietly amongst us. The filmmakers were given access to *The Sanctuary BMC* in Ste. Agathe and were allowed to follow a group of young girls to find out why they live and think the way they do. With unprecedented access, *Shekinah* captures the intimate details of every aspect of how they live, what they want out of



life and what they believe in. The film also captured the interest of the Marymount students in the audience. Throughout the showing you could hear a pin drop as they learned that the young women at the sanctuary were not allowed items such as iPhones and iPads and that they never had physical contact with boys. They learned why the women wore wigs after marriage and why long sleeves and skirts were always worn. PRESS RELEASE