

# EVERHART MUSEUM

NATURAL HISTORY, SCIENCE & ART

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## April 2008 Calendar of Events

**Scranton – March 20, 2008:** The Everhart Museum of Natural History, Science & Art announces its April 2008 calendar of events.

### Exhibits:

**Through June 1<sup>st</sup>**

**On Exhibit: *Flocks & Feathers: Birds in Science, Culture and Art***

Birds take flight in the human imagination and play an important role in the global ecosystem. They travel millions of miles every year migrating around the world, and their life cycles, bird song and evolutionary characteristics have inspired scientists, cultures and artists for millennia. The Museum's founder, Dr. Isaiah Fawkes Everhart, was a surgeon with an interest in the study of birds. When founding the Museum in 1908, he donated more than 2,000 bird specimens to create the first exhibits. Since that time, the Everhart has continued to collect bird-oriented cultural and scientific materials. The Everhart Museum begins its 2008 centennial celebration with an interpretive look at birds from around the world, alongside cultural objects that use feathers and/or depict birds, as well as contemporary art inspired by avian creatures. The exhibit is partially funded by a grant from the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission and is on display through June 1, 2008. For more information on the exhibit, contact the Everhart Museum at 570-346-7186 or email: [general.information@everhart-museum.org](mailto:general.information@everhart-museum.org).

**Through June 1<sup>st</sup>**

**On Exhibit: *In the Field: Birding & Research in Lackawanna County***

*In the Field* illustrates the efforts of Lackawanna County (PA) birders who observe and count the resident and migratory birds found in Northeastern Pennsylvania, as well as the data and studies of scientific researchers in tracking the habitats and health of these birds and their local ecological niches. Local birding enthusiasts, including members of the Lackawanna Audubon Society, lend their photos and data sheets for counting birds as part of the exhibit. Local biology professors present their years-long research and data from bird-banding and studying various species of resident and migratory birds stopping over in Lackawanna County for the exhibition. The exhibit is on display in Gallery One through March 31, 2008. For more information, contact the Museum at 570-346-7186 or email: [general.information@everhart-museum.org](mailto:general.information@everhart-museum.org).

**Through June 1<sup>st</sup>**

**On Exhibit: *Isaiah's Corner: Birds of a Feather***

Explore birds, their environment, habitats, feathers, and more in our hands-on activity center, designed with our youngest visitors in mind. Touch, play, create, and learn about birds and cultures from our *Flocks & Feathers* exhibit! Please note that adult guidance is required. So come to the Museum and stop by Isaiah's Corner to learn about birds and all things bird-related. Then visit our galleries where you and your children can apply your new knowledge of birds in our temporary exhibits and our permanent bird gallery. For more information, please contact the Museum at 570-346-7186 or email: [general.information@everhart-museum.org](mailto:general.information@everhart-museum.org).

**Through December 31<sup>st</sup>**

**On Exhibit: *Permanent Galleries***

The permanent galleries of the Everhart Museum feature displays of African and Ancient Art, the dinosaur and bird exhibits, and installations of American folk art, decorative art, and fine art. The Everhart Museum is open Thursday through Monday through December 31<sup>st</sup>. Museum hours are Noon-4:00 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Monday; 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. on Saturday; and Noon-5:00 p.m. on Sunday. Admission is \$5/adults, \$3/students & seniors; \$2/children 6-12, and free to Everhart Museum members. For more information, contact the Museum at 570-346-7186 or email: [general.information@everhart-museum.org](mailto:general.information@everhart-museum.org).

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## Public Programs:

### **Through December 31<sup>st</sup> Centennial Scavenger Hunt**

Celebrate the Everhart's Centennial Year by participating in our year-long scavenger hunt! Prizes, discounts, and a whole lot of fun await you as you try to locate 100 objects in our galleries throughout the year. To participate, log on to our website, [www.everhart-museum.org](http://www.everhart-museum.org), every month to print a list of objects chosen. Bring in your list, find all the objects, and get a stamp at the end of your hunt...find as many objects as you can throughout the year, and celebrate with us in December 2008, as you are awarded prizes for the number of objects you have found! For more information, contact the Museum at 570-346-7186 or email: [education@everhart-museum.org](mailto:education@everhart-museum.org).

### **April 7, 2008 Early Explorations: Looking & Reading Together, Noon to 12:45 pm**

Join the Everhart, the Lackawanna County Children's Library, and area artists for a workshop featuring a different book and activity designed to develop pre-literacy skills through drama, art and music. Classes will take place on the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday (at noon) and the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday (at 2:30 pm) of each month, continuing through May 24, 2008, and are free and suitable for Pre-K children. Pre-registration is required and groups are welcome. This program is funded by PNC Bank. For more information or to register, contact the Museum at 570-346-7186 or email: [education@everhart-museum.org](mailto:education@everhart-museum.org).

### **April 10, 2008 Wine on the Wing: A Wine-Tasting Cultural Event, 6:00 to 8:00 pm**

Join the Everhart for *Wine on the Wing*, an evening of wine, food and cultural entertainment designed to complement the exhibit *Flocks & Feathers*. Sample wine and food while you follow our sommeliers as they migrate around the world, educating you about the history of the wine and the grape. Learn about the environmental impact of winemaking, including how vineyard development affects habitats and migratory birds. Music, literature and poetry readings will complement the various wines from around the world. Invitations will be mailed to all museum members in early March. Space is limited to 125 participants (age 21 and older), so the early bird catches the wine! Ticket prices: \$35 for members, \$40 for non-members. Patron tickets are also available. For information or to purchase tickets contact the museum at 570-346-7186 or email: [general.information@everhart-museum.org](mailto:general.information@everhart-museum.org). Reservations must be prepaid by check or credit card by March 28<sup>th</sup>

### **April 17, 2008 Everhart Reads at Anthology Books, 6:00 to 8:00 pm**

Come to roost at Anthology Books as you meet, discuss, and have fun with fellow readers. Led by Andrea Talarico, and inspired by *Flocks & Feathers*, Everhart Readers will examine themes such as the human, mythological, cultural, and traditional connections to birds! Join us as we discuss *The Way the Crow Flies* by Anne-Marie MacDonald. The discussion group is suitable for ages 16 and up and is free and open to all. Discounted books will be available for purchase at Anthology Books, located in downtown Scranton. Please contact Andrea at [scranthology@gmail.com](mailto:scranthology@gmail.com) if you are interested in joining Everhart Reads.

### **April 19, 2008 Stamp Signing with Victor Stabin, 1:00 to 3:00 pm**

Fraternize with fellow philatelists! Meet local artist & stamp designer, Victor Stabin of Jim Thorpe, whose second series of American Scientist commemorative stamps honoring four scientists: theoretical physicist John Bardeen, biochemist Gerty Cori, astronomer Edwin Hubble, and structural chemist Linus Pauling, was released in early March 2008. Stamps, postcards and posters of Stabin's series will be available for purchase. Prices range from \$5 to \$40. You may also bring your own stamps for Victor to sign. For more information contact the Museum at 570-346-7186 or email: [education@everhart-museum.org](mailto:education@everhart-museum.org).

### **April 19, 2008 Early Explorations: Looking & Reading Together, 2:30 to 3:15 pm**

Join the Everhart, the Lackawanna County Children's Library, and area artists for a workshop featuring a different book and activity designed to develop pre-literacy skills through drama, art and music. Classes will take place on the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday (at noon) and the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday (at 2:30 pm) of each month, continuing through May 24, 2008, and are free and suitable for Pre-K children. Pre-registration is required and groups are welcome. This program is funded by PNC Bank. For more information or to register, contact the Museum at 570-346-7186 or email: [education@everhart-museum.org](mailto:education@everhart-museum.org).

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**April 26, 2008**

**Feathered Films at the Scranton Cultural Center, 3:00 pm**

In conjunction with the Everhart's permanent and temporary bird exhibits and as part of a collaborative project of the Everhart Museum, the Scranton Cultural Center and the Lackawanna County Library System, bird-themed films will be shown once a month through May at the Scranton Cultural Center. The series is FREE and open to the public! The animated film *Valiant* (2005), **Rated G**, will be shown on April 26<sup>th</sup> at 3 pm. For more information on the films visit our website: [www.everhart-museum.org](http://www.everhart-museum.org) or call either the Everhart Museum at 570-346-7186 or the Scranton Cultural Center at 570-346-7369.

**April 30, 2008**

**One Book, Every Young Child, 6:00 pm**

The Lackawanna County Children's Library and the Everhart Museum are pleased to present *One Book, Every Young Child*, a collaborative program highlighting the importance of early literacy development in pre-school age children. Each year one book is chosen to inspire many activities and events involved in the project. This year's book, *Up Down and Around*, is about bugs, animals and growing vegetables. Following the story, the author will discuss the book with the children. Other related activities will also be offered, so participants are encouraged to stay. The program is limited to 150 participants and is free to the public. Each child will get a free copy of the featured book. The program is sponsored by, the Pennsylvania Department of Education, Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare, Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh, Children's Museum of Pittsburgh, Please Touch Museum, State Museum of Pennsylvania, Pennsylvania Library Association, Pennsylvania association for the Education of young children, The Pennsylvania Child Care Association, Verizon, and the Institute of Museum and Library Science. For more information or to pre-register contact the Lackawanna County Children's Library at (570)348-3000 ext. 3015 or [www.albright.org/children's](http://www.albright.org/children's).

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**About the Everhart Museum:** Founded in 1908, the Everhart Museum of Natural History, Science & Art is the largest general museum in Northeastern Pennsylvania. The Everhart Museum, located in Nay Aug Park in Scranton, is a not-for-profit institution dedicated to the collection, care and display of a diverse array of artifacts, including natural history, science and fine arts. Through our exhibits and programs, the Everhart Museum has become an invaluable regional resource for educational and cultural opportunities. General support for the museum is received from the Lackawanna County Office of Education & Culture, the Pennsylvania Council on the Arts, and the City of Scranton. For more information visit our website at [www.everhart-museum.org](http://www.everhart-museum.org) or contact us at 570-346-7186.

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