

EVERHART MUSEUM

NATURAL HISTORY, SCIENCE & ART

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December 2008 Calendar of Events

Scranton – July 14, 2008: The Everhart Museum of Natural History, Science & Art announces its upcoming calendar of events for the month of December 2008.

Exhibits:

Through Dec. 22, 2008 Tools in Motion: Work from the Hechinger Collection

Featuring 65 highlights from the collection of Washington, DC hardware-industry pioneer John Hechinger, this popular, family-friendly exhibition displays the amazing variety of 20th-century art that represents or incorporates tools and hardware. ***Tools in Motion*** includes sculptures, photographs, and paintings by such artists as Berenice Abbott, Arman, Jim Dine, Richard Estes, Walker Evans, Claes Oldenburg, and Wayne Thiebaud and celebrates the ubiquity of tools in our lives with art that transforms utilitarian objects into fanciful works of beauty, surprise and wit. This traveling exhibit is on loan from International Arts & Artists. For more information on the exhibit, contact the Everhart Museum at 570-346-7186 or email: general.information@everhart-museum.org.

Through Dec. 29, 2008 Fantasy Tools: Student Art at the Everhart

Fantasy Tools highlights the work of area students who created artworks inspired by their perfect fantasy tool. Through these collaborative efforts, the Everhart Museum nurtures creativity and showcases artistic excellence in the community. The schools involved in this exhibition include: Abington Heights Middle School and High School, Scranton High School, Audubon Elementary School, Prescott Elementary School, and Mountain View Elementary School. ***Fantasy Tools*** serves as a complement to the exhibit ***Tools in Motion: Work from the Hechinger Collection***. For more information on the exhibit, contact the Everhart Museum at 570-346-7186 or email: general.information@everhart-museum.org.

Through Dec. 29, 2008 Isaiah's Corner: Tool Time

Isaiah's Corner: Tool Time provides children with a unique opportunity to touch, play, create, and discover things about tools! Please note that adult guidance is required at all times. For more information on the exhibit, contact the Everhart Museum at 570-346-7186 or email: general.information@everhart-museum.org.

Through Dec. 31st 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 31st. Museum hours are Noon-4:00 pm Thursday, Friday and Monday; 10:00 am-5:00 pm on Saturday; and Noon-5:00 pm on Sunday. Admission is \$5/adults, \$3/students & seniors; \$2/children 6-12, and free to Everhart Museum members. For more information, contact the Everhart Museum at 570-346-7186 or email: general.information@everhart-museum.org.

Public Programs:

Through Dec. 31st Centennial Scavenger Hunt

Celebrate the Everhart Museum's Centennial Year by participating in a year-long scavenger hunt! Prizes, discounts, and a whole lot of fun await you as you try to locate 100 objects in the galleries throughout the year. To participate, log on to the Museum's website, www.everhart-museum.org, every month to print a list of objects chosen. Find as many objects as you can each month and celebrate with us in December 2008, when prizes will be awarded! Suitable for ages 16 and under, but adults are welcome to participate too! For more information, contact the Everhart Museum at 570-346-7186 or email: education@everhart-museum.org.

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December 1, 2008 Early Explorations: Looking & Reading Together, 2:00 to 3:00 pm

Join the Everhart Museum, 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. On December 1st, Erin Sloan presents "Snowy Days." Suitable for Pre-K children, pre-registration is required and groups are welcome. This program is funded in part by PNC Bank. For more information or to register, contact the Everhart Museum at 570-346-7186 or email: education@everhart-museum.org.

December 18, 2008 Everhart Reads at Anthology Books! 6:00 to 8:00 pm

Meet, discuss, and have fun with fellow readers on the 3rd Thursday of each month. Led by Andrea Talarico, and inspired by our fall exhibition *Tools in Motion*. Discussion group is free and open to ages 16 and up. Discounted books will be available for purchase at Anthology. December's book is "The World is Flat (Part 2)" by Thomas Friedman. Please contact Andrea at scranthology@gmail.com if you are interested in joining us.

December 20, 2008 Early Explorations: Looking & Reading Together, 2:00 to 3:00 pm

Join the Everhart Museum, 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. On December 20th, Erika Pekar presents "And Tango Makes Three." Suitable for Pre-K children, pre-registration is required and groups are welcome. This program is funded in part by PNC Bank. For more information or to register, contact the Everhart Museum at 570-346-7186 or email: education@everhart-museum.org.

December 20, 2008 Tools in Motion Film Series, 3:00 to 5:00 pm

The Everhart Museum, in collaboration with the Scranton Cultural Center and the Lackawanna County Library System, hosts free films this fall based on the exhibition *Tools in Motion*. Join us at the Cultural Center on December 20th for *Batteries Not Included* (1987). The last five tenants of 817 East 8th Street need a miracle to prevent a real estate developer from tearing down their tenement and destroying everything they own. Late one night, tiny spaceships mysteriously glide through an open window to help their beleaguered friends. Starring Hume Cronyn and Jessica Tandy. For more information, contact the Scranton Cultural Center at 570-346-7369 or the Everhart Museum at 570-346-7186.

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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 or contact us at 570-346-7186.

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