# EVERHART MUSEUM

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# **September 2009 Calendar of Events**

**Scranton – August 6, 2009:** The Everhart Museum of Natural History, Science & Art announces its upcoming calendar of events for the month of September 2009. Please note that programs are subject to change and updates to the calendar will be sent accordingly.

# **Exhibits:**

## Through September 7, 2009 On Exhibit: Ancient Microworlds

Ancient Microworlds marries paleontology with photography to attain an intriguing exploration of past life. In this exhibit, Giraud Foster and Norman Barker demonstrate that fossils can dazzle the mind and the eye. Together, Foster and Barker developed innovative high-magnification photographic techniques and painstakingly selected the remarkable specimens that make their stunning images unique. Theirs is an ancient world as artfully beautiful as it is scientifically engaging. The microphotography of fossils is complemented by the Everhart Museum's own fossil collection. The exhibit was created by **Ancient Microworlds**. For more information on the exhibit, contact the Everhart Museum at 570-346-7186 or email: general.information@everhart-museum.org.

Through September 7, 2009 On Exhibit: Ornamental Impressions: Howard Gardner School of Discovery

Fascinated by the art of fossils or the beauty of these ancient creatures? Check out the works on paper created by Howard Gardner School students inspired by the Everhart Museum's newest exhibition *Ancient Microworlds*. During the 2008-2009 school year, HGS students incorporated the natural surroundings of Nay Aug Park and the galleries of the Everhart Museum into the multidisciplinary educational framework of their school curriculum. The artwork included in *Ornamental Impressions* features the techniques of paper marbling and mono print rubbings combined to reflect the diverse and complex patterning often found in fossils. Through collaborative efforts with schools other community groups, the Everhart Museum nurtures creativity and showcases artistic excellence in the region. For more information on the exhibit, contact the Everhart Museum at 570-346-7186 or email: <a href="mailto:general.information@everhart-museum.org">general.information@everhart-museum.org</a>.

# Through September 7, 2009 On Exhibit: <u>Isaiah's Corner: Dino Nation!</u>

Let your need to explore lead you to *Isaiah's Corner: Dino Nation!* where you can find fossils, rocks, and dinosaurs! Investigate fossil records, solve puzzles, create fossil art, and more in our hands-on activity center, designed with our youngest visitors in mind. Touch, play, create, and learn about the underground world captured in our *Ancient Microworlds* exhibit! Please note that adult guidance is required. For more information, contact the Everhart Museum at 570-346-7186 or email: general.information@everhart-museum.org.

Beginning September 25, 2009 On Exhibit: Day of the Dead: Art & Culture in the Americas

(On view through December 31, 2009) Day of the Dead (El Día de los Muertos), has its roots in ancient indigenous cultures of Central and South America, and today is celebrated throughout the America's during the Roman Catholic holidays of All Saints' and All Soul's Days (November 1 & 2). Created by the Everhart Museum with funding assistance from the Pennsylvania Humanities Council, this exclusive exhibit illustrates Day of the Dead as a celebration and remembrance of beloved people in the family and community. **Day of the Dead: Art & Culture in the Americas** features contemporary art from nationally and internationally recognized artists, traditional folk art, and the Everhart Museum's Pre-Columbian collection. Additional underwriting for this exhibit is provided by The Foley Law Firm and Prudential Retirement. For more information on the exhibit, contact the Everhart Museum at 570-346-7186 or email: general.information@ everhart-museum.org.

# Beginning September 25, 2009 On Exhibit: Celebrating Ancestors: Student Art at the Everhart

(On view through December 31, 2009) Complementing the Everhart Museum's Fall exhibit, *Day of the Dead: Art & Culture in the Americas*, area students were invited to create artworks inspired by important people in their lives who have passed away, such as a parent, grandparent, friend or relative; several students also decided to focus on famous and notable public figures. The Day of the Dead is a holiday of remembrance in Latin America, and families all over Central and South America celebrate their ancestors with special displays in the home and at the public cemeteries. Through collaborations such as *Celebrating Ancestors: Student Art at the Everhart*, the Everhart Museum nurtures creativity and showcases artistic excellence in the community. For more information on the exhibit, contact the Everhart Museum at 570-346-7186 or email: general. information@everhart-museum.org.

## Beginning September 25, 2009 On Exhibit: Isaiah's Corner: ¡Fiesta Fun with Calaveras!

(On View through December 31, 2009) Step into Latin America culture in *Isaiah's Corner: ¡Fiesta Fun with Calaveras!* Children of all ages are invited to build *ofrendas*, make skeleton masks and dolls, create tissue paper flowers and *papel picado* (punched paper) designs, and calculate in Mayan math as they learn about Day of the Dead, a Latino holiday of remembrance when families celebrate their ancestors with special displays in the home and in public places. Please note that adult guidance is required. For more information, contact the Everhart Museum at 570-346-7186 or email: general.information@everhart-museum.org.

# Through December 31, 2009 On Exhibit: Permanent Galleries

The permanent galleries of the Everhart Museum feature displays of African and Ancient Art, the dinosaur and bird exhibits, rocks & minerals, 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 Thurs., Fri., & Mon., Noon to 4:00 pm; Sat. 10:00 am to 5:00 pm, and Sun. Noon to 5:00 pm. 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:**

#### September 7, 2009

# Early Explorations: Looking & Reading Together, 2:00 to 2:45 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 September 7<sup>th</sup>, Yoga Instructor, Melissa Russo presents "Dinosaur Yoga." This program is free and suitable for Pre-K children. Pre-registration is required and groups are welcome. Early Explorations is funded in part by PNC Bank. For more information or to register, contact the Everhart Museum at 570-346-7186 or email: <a href="mailto:education@everhart-museum.org">education@everhart-museum.org</a>.

#### September 10, 2009 Youth4Art: Afterschool Museum Arts Program, 3:00 to 5:00 pm

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#### September 11, 2009 Youth4Art: Afterschool Museum Arts Program, 3:00 to 5:00 pm

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# September 17, 2009 Everhart Reads: At Anthology Books, 6:00 to 8:00 pm

Meet, discuss, and have fun with fellow readers on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month. Led by Andrea Talarico of Anthology Books, this fall's book group is inspired by the Everhart's latest exhibition *Day of the Dead: Art & Culture in the Americas*. Participation in this discussion group is free and open to ages 16 and up. Discounted books will be available at Anthology. September's book is *"The Mixquiahuala Letters"* by Ana Castillo. For more information, contact the Everhart Museum at 570-346-7186 or email: education@everhart-museum.org.

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#### September 18, 2009 Youth4Art: Afterschool Museum Arts Program, 3:00 to 5:00 pm

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# September 19, 2009 Early Explorations: Looking & Reading Together, 2:00 to 2:45 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 September 19<sup>th</sup>, Lackawanna County Children's Library Educator, Erin Sloan presents "Fossil Features!" This program is free and suitable for Pre-K children. Pre-registration is required and groups are welcome. Early Explorations is funded in part by PNC Bank. For more information or to register, contact the Everhart Museum at 570-346-7186 or email: <a href="mailto:education@everhart-museum.org">education@everhart-museum.org</a>.

#### September 24, 2009 Youth4Art: Afterschool Museum Arts Program, 3:00 to 5:00 pm

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#### September 25, 2009 Youth4Art: Afterschool Museum Arts Program, 3:00 to 5:00 pm

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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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