

EVERHART MUSEUM

NATURAL HISTORY, SCIENCE & ART

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The Art of the Brick® Community Day at the Everhart Museum

Sunday, March 14, 2010, 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Scranton, PA - March 3, 2010: Come explore the world in 3-D! Join the Everhart Museum on Sunday, March 14, 2010 from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. for **The Art of the Brick Community Day** for hands-on activities and demonstrations inspired by the Everhart's current temporary exhibit *The Art of the Brick®*.

The Art of the Brick Community Day offers a fun-filled afternoon for visitors of all ages with plenty of fun and educational activities. Museum patrons can create paper sculptures with the Everhart Museum, sign up for a library card and learn about colors and shapes with the Lackawanna County Children's Library, and meet the Art Director of *Highlights High Five* magazine and receive a free copy of their magazine. As part of this special event, the Everhart Museum invites all NEPA residents ages six and older to enter their original LEGO® creations for display and judging. To enter the Brick Building Contest, builders must create an original sculpture out of LEGO bricks and bring their completed creations to the Everhart Museum on Thursday, March 11th or Friday, March 12th between the hours of 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The contest is limited to the first 30 entries and will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Eligible age categories are 6-12 years old, 13-17 years old, and 18 years and older. No team entries are allowed and contest entries will be on display at the Everhart Museum during the weekend of March 13-14 with juried voting taking place during **The Art of the Brick Community Day** on Sunday, March 14th at 3:00 p.m. Prizes for Most Creative/Original and Most Complex will be awarded in each age group at the end of the Community Day event. Museum patrons may participate in the judging by voting for their favorite in the "Viewer's Choice" category for \$1/vote. The proceeds from "Viewer's Choice" voting will be used to support future public programming and exhibitions at the Everhart Museum. And of course, don't forget to visit *The Art of the Brick* exhibit to see the whimsical sculptures of Nathan Sawaya. **The Art of the Brick Community Day** promises to be a lively day of celebration for the entire family!

The Art of the Brick Community Day activities are included in the cost of general admission to the Museum and no reservations are required. For more information on Community Day, *The Art of the Brick* exhibit, the Brick Building Contest, or the Museum in general, contact the Everhart at 570-346-7186 or email: general.information@everhart-museum.org. Financial assistance for **The Art of the Brick Community Day** is provided by Penn Security Bank & Trust Co. Prizes for the Brick Building Contest have been donated by Penn Security Bank & Trust Co., The Oppenheim Family and Gertrude Hawk Chocolates, Inc.

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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 on the museum visit our website at www.everhart-museum.org or contact us at 570-346-7186.