

EVERHART MUSEUM

NATURAL HISTORY, SCIENCE & ART

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February 2010 Calendar of Events

Scranton – February 9, 2010: The Everhart Museum of Natural History, Science & Art announces its upcoming calendar of events for the month of February 2010. Please note that programs are subject to change and updates to the calendar will be sent accordingly.

Exhibits:

On Exhibit through May 2nd

The Art of the Brick®: LEGO® Sculptures by Nathan Sawaya

The Art of the Brick® focuses on the wonderful creations by New York-based artist Nathan Sawaya using the popular LEGO® building block as an art medium. The exhibit features 29 works created solely from standard LEGO bricks over the period 2002-2007 with several new ones created specifically for this exhibit. Nearly one million colorful LEGO pieces were used to create his whimsical and awe-inspiring sculptures. Sawaya's ability to transform this common toy into something meaningful to capture action and movement enables him to elevate child's play into fine art. Partial underwriting for this exhibit is provided by Gertrude Hawk Chocolates, Inc., Penn Security Bank & Trust Co., and The Oppenheim Family. For more information on the exhibit, contact the Everhart Museum at 570-346-7186 or email: general.information@everhart-museum.org.

On Exhibit through May 2nd

Brick Creations: Student Art at the Everhart

Brick Creations: Student Art at the Everhart serves as a regional exhibit complement to ***The Art of the Brick: LEGO® Sculptures by Nathan Sawaya***. Area students were invited to create artworks inspired by real or imaginary LEGO® creations. Through collaborations such as ***Brick Creations***, 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.

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Isaiah's Corner: Build It!

Try your hand at building LEGO® and non-block creations in ***Isaiah's Corner: Build It!*** Using inspiration from the Everhart Museum's natural history and science collection, as well as the current LEGO-inspired exhibits, create new and fantastical buildings and creatures in the Museum's hands-on gallery. Children of all ages invited, but 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.

On exhibit through December 31st

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 31st. 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.

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Public Programs:

February 18, 2010

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 of Anthology Books, this Winter/Spring's book group is inspired by the Everhart's new temporary exhibition *The Art of the Brick*®. Discussion group is free and open to ages 16 and up. Discounted books will be available at Anthology. February's book is "The Architecture of Happiness" by Alain De Botton. For more information, contact the Everhart Museum at 570-346-7186 or email: education@everhart-museum.org.

February 20, 2010

EverhART 101, 10:00 am to Noon

This winter, join the Everhart Museum and celebrate our exhibit *The Art of the Brick*®. The Everhart and Keystone College team up to bring you hands-on instruction and lots of fun! Each class journeys through a different aspect of the Everhart's latest exhibit and a new art medium, giving children experience in painting, writing, sculpture, drawing, and mixed media. Classes are suitable for grades K-5 and cost \$5/class. Pre-registration required. For more information or to register, contact the Everhart Museum at 570-346-7186 or email: education@everhart-museum.org.

February 20, 2010

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. 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: education@everhart-museum.org.

February 27, 2010

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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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