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## THE EVERHART PRESENTS ART IN BLOOM ON APRIL 26 & APRIL 27

Art in Bloom is springing up at the Everhart Museum on April 26 and 27, 2019. Each year, many museums across the United States take part in Art in Bloom and 2019 will be the Everhart's inaugural event. Art in Bloom is an exciting two-day event where local floral designers' create their interpretations of the Museum's art collection through fresh flower arrangements.

This year, **through a juried process**, **the following designers have been selected** to present their interpretation of paintings on view at the Everhart: **POSH Life Floral & Events**, Scranton; **Central Park Flowers**, Olyphant; **Mattern's Floral and Furnishings**, Kingston; **Monzie's Floral Designs**, Tunkhannock; **Artist Susan French**, Kingston; **B's Floral Design**, Scranton; **Petals for Goodness Sake**, Clarks Summit, and **Snapdragon Flower Company**, also of Clarks Summit.

Catered by POSH at the Scranton Club, the museum will host a **preview reception from 6:00 pm - 8;00 pm on Friday**, **April 26** where guests will enjoy music, food, and cocktails while viewing the designers' presentations.

The flower displays will remain on view through **Saturday**, **April 27**, **for the Museum's FREE Community Day which is scheduled from 1:00 pm - 4: 00 pm**. Visitors will have the chance to participate in guided gallery tours and talks, artist workshops/demos, nature-inspired lectures, and other interactive activities for kids and adults alike - all ages are welcome, and all opportunities are entirely free.

Those who attend Art in Bloom's preview reception on April 26 or the Community Day on April 27can vote with raffle tickets for the **People's Choice Award** for the floral arrangement that they believe best represents the artwork. The Everhart will apply donations for the **People's Choice Award** towards the **Scranton Area**  Community Foundation Match Day, and every dollar vote will be matched by the Everhart Board.

On Community Day, interactive stations will be led by our partners, the **Earth Conservancy**; the **Children's Library of the Lackawanna County Library System**; **Keystone College's Environmental Education Institute**; the **Women's Resource Center**; **The Sordoni Gallery of Wilkes University**; the **University of Scranton Porches Project**; the **AFA Gallery**; the **Scranton Fringe Festival**, and the **NEPA Philharmonic**. In addition, professional artists **Lindsay Barrett George**, **Earl Lehman**, **Elizabeth Parry Faist**, **Bill Teitsworth**, and **Renee Emanuel**, will guide visitors through nature-inspired art creations and demonstrations.

Scheduled talks, presentations, and demos will include beekeeping by Ellen McGlynn, juicing from Trish Dickert Nieves with Terra Preta Prime, Gardening for Wildlife by Endless Mountains Nature Center, and the art of a bonsai from Carl Achhammer, Jr. of Zen Chaser Bonsai. Throughout the afternoon, naturalist Jane Frye will lead scheduled walking tours of Nay Aug Park.

Patrons will have an opportunity to view and purchase works by **Renee Emanuel**, **Bill Teitsworth**, and **Earl Lehman** on Saturday alongside other local artists and crafters, including; **Crow Designs Studio/The Workshop**; **Libby & Liam Jewelry**; **Zen Chaser Bonsai**, and publishing company **Woodland Way**. Visitors may also purchase fresh flowers from **Petals for Goodness Sake** and potted plants from **Laurel Garden Club**.

There is something for everyone at Art in Bloom at the Everhart. Whether you come for the breathtaking flowers, the educational presentations, or the guided tours, make sure you don't miss out on this special two-day event!

Tickets for the **preview event** on **April 26 are \$50 for guests and \$40 for Museum members**. Reservations are required. You may reserve your spot at <u>http://everhart-museum.org/art-bloom-2019/</u>. **Community Day** and all activities are open and **FREE to the public**.

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## About the Everhart Museum of Natural History, Science and Art

Founded in 1908 and located in Scranton's historic Nay Aug Park, the Everhart Museum of Natural History, Science & Art is the largest general Museum in Northeastern Pennsylvania. For over 100 years, the Museum has delighted the region with an ever-changing selection of exhibitions and programs.

The Everhart Museum is one of the region's leading resources for educational and cultural opportunities. Our programs encourage everyone to explore the wonders of the world - from mammoths to mosaics to mallards and masks.

**MUSEUM HOURS:** Mon., Thurs., & Fri., Noon to 5:00 pm; Sat. 10:00 am to 5:00 pm, and Sun. Noon to 5:00 pm. Admission: \$7/adults, \$5/students & seniors; \$3/children 6-12, and free to Everhart Museum members.