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ART OF THE LAND FILMS

Presented by the Everhart Museum of Natural History Science & Art in collaboration with the Scranton Cultural Center at the Masonic Temple and the Lackawanna County Library System

Scranton – June 11, 2008: The Everhart Museum is once again pleased to collaborate with the Scranton Cultural Center at the Masonic Temple and the Lackawanna County Library System to present **ART OF THE LAND FILMS**, an environmentally-themed film series being shown in conjunction with the Everhart Museum's current exhibit, *Art of the Land: John Willard Raught and the Continuing NEPA Landscape Tradition*. This collaborative film series is one of several programs designed to complement the Everhart Museum's temporary landscape focused exhibits.

All films in the series will be shown at the Scranton Cultural Center at the Masonic Temple. Admission is free and open to the public; however please note that the content of some films may not be suitable for a younger audience. The schedule is as follows:

June 28th at 3:00 pm: *The Molly Maguires* (1970).

Rated PG

Set in late 19th-century Northeastern Pennsylvania, this social drama tells the story of an undercover detective sent to a coal mining community to expose a secret society of Irish-American miners battling exploitation at the hand of the owners. Based on a true story, the film portrays the rebellious leader of the Molly Maguires and his will to achieve social justice. Directed by Martin Ritt, this classic film stars Sean Connery and Richard Harris. Pennsylvania's landscape plays a major role in the movie and many NEPA locales will be recognized.

August 23rd at 3:00 pm: *Over the Hedge* (2006).

Rated PG

RJ, a scheming raccoon invades a subdivision that sprung up during his winter's hibernation and finds that the animals living there are deathly afraid of people. With RJ's encouragement, the local animals slowly venture over the hedge into the buffet that is the suburbs in this fast paced animated comedy. Although aimed at children, the environmental issues are thought provoking and reach an adult audience. This animated feature includes voices by Bruce Willis, Garry Shandling, Nick Nolte, and Steve Carell.

The **ART OF THE LAND FILMS** series is an example of the partnership among the Everhart Museum of Natural History, Science & Art; the Scranton Cultural Center at, and the Lackawanna County Library System. This collaborative effort is supported in part by the Lackawanna County Office of Education and Culture, as well as Commissioners: Michael J. Washo, Corey O'Brien and A.J. Munchak.

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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.

About The Scranton Cultural Center: The Scranton Cultural Center at the Masonic Temple is located at 420 North Washington Avenue in downtown Scranton, Pennsylvania. Originally built as the Masonic Temple and Scottish Rite Cathedral, the building is significant as an example of the work of Raymond M. Hood (1881-1934), a prominent architect of the 1920s and early 1930s, and as a unique example of Neo-Gothic architecture in Scranton. Today the Scranton Cultural Center at the Masonic Temple operates the facility as a regional performance and cultural hub. The Center serves as the residence for national tours of Broadway musicals and concerts and hosts many of the areas top regional companies. For more information on the Scranton Cultural Center visit their website at: www.scrantonculturalcenter.org or contact them at 570-346-7369.