

EVERHART MUSEUM

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Art of the Land Community Day at the Everhart Museum

Sunday, July 13, 2008, 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Scranton, June 27, 2008: Join the Everhart Museum on Sunday, July 13, 2008 from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. for *Community Day* as we celebrate our Pennsylvania landscape! The day's activities highlight our regional landscape and important environmental issues and serve as a complement to the Museum's *Art of the Land* exhibit. *Art of the Land: John Willard Raught and the Continuing NEPA Landscape Tradition* is the Museum's second centennial exhibition and showcases the Museum's collection of work by local Impressionist painter, John Willard Raught, as well as the work of contemporary artists whose work illustrates Raught's lasting influence.

Community Day promises to offer something for everyone. For those who are creative, there will be art projects using recycled materials led by the Everhart Museum staff and sun print making with photography instructor Ward Roe. For those interested in environmental concerns, there will be demonstrations by local organizations such as: **PennFuture** – offering a slide show on global warming and information on sustainable energy; **Lackawanna River Corridor Association** – demonstrating biological water quality testing, looking for macro invertebrates (water insects); **Alliance Sanitary Landfill** – providing information on landfill management and the *Landscape Project*; **Wilkes University** – showing the effects of pollutants in your drinking water with groundwater demonstrations; and **Penn State Master Gardeners Cooperative Extension** – demonstrating native gardening.

In addition to the ongoing activities, time slotted events are scheduled as follows: naturalist-led interpretive walks in Nay Aug Park at 1:30 p.m., docent-led "*Art of the Land*" exhibit tours beginning at 2:00 p.m., and an environmental lecture by Historian Paul Rosier at 3:00 p.m.

All Community Day activities are included in the cost of general admission to the Museum. For more information on Community Day, the *Art of the Land* exhibit, or the museum in general, contact the Everhart Museum at 570-346-7186 or email: general.information@everhart-museum.org.

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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.