

EVERHART MUSEUM

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Everhart Museum Presents Global Warming Lecture Sunday, July 13, 2008 at 3:00 pm

Scranton, June 27, 2008: Enjoy the Everhart Museum's *Art of the Land Community Day* with historian Paul Rosier as he discusses important environmental issues affecting Pennsylvania in his lecture - ***From Earth Day to Global Warming: A Modern Environmental History of Pennsylvania***. As part of the Everhart's Community Day on Sunday, July 13, 2008, Rosier will provide an overview of important environmental issues affecting Pennsylvania – from the first Earth Day in 1970 to the present concern over global warming. The lecture will begin at 3:00 pm at the Museum and is funded in part by a grant from the Pennsylvania Humanities Council through their Commonwealth Speakers Program.

Some of the topics Rosier will highlight are the Three Mile Island nuclear crisis and its aftermath, the Centralia coal fire, and the contamination and cleanup of Philadelphia's rivers. In addition, he will examine why Pennsylvania produces 1% of the world's greenhouse emissions and what we can do about this important issue. This thought-provoking interactive discussion will be enhanced by a PowerPoint presentation and hand outs on global warming and conservation tips. The talk will draw upon attendee's remembrances of well-known events as well as their perspectives on the issue of global warming.

Historian Paul Rosier grew up in Swarthmore, where as an elementary student he participated in the first Earth Day in 1970. Rosier is an Assistant Professor of History at Villanova University, where he teaches Environmental History of America, Nature and Modernity, Native American History, the History of American Capitalism and Modern World History. He also serves as chair of the university's Earth Day committee and advises a Villanova environmental group. He recently co-edited the book *Echoes from the Poisoned Well: Global Memories of Environmental Injustice*.

No reservations are required. The program is suitable for all ages and is free with paid admission to the Museum. For more information contact the Museum at 570-346-7186 or email: education@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.

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