

EVERHART MUSEUM

NATURAL HISTORY, SCIENCE & ART

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Cultural Wine-Tasting Event at the Everhart

Scranton – March 14, 2008: Join the Everhart Museum on April 10, 2008 from 6 pm to 8 pm for *Wine on the Wing*, an evening of wine, food and cultural entertainment designed to complement the Museum's current exhibition *Flocks & Feathers: Birds in Science, Culture and Art*. *Flocks & Feathers* showcases the museum's ornithological specimens – a core collection of over 2,000 examples donated in 1908 by the museum's founder, Dr. Isaiah Fawkes Everhart – as well as artifacts from its ethnographic and art collections incorporating feathers and/or depicting birds. The exhibit narrative of *Flocks & Feathers* is designed to flow in complement to global migratory patterns so that visitors will travel the world learning about the importance and role of birds in specific cultures as they move through each gallery. In addition to exploring the museum's permanent collections, *Flocks & Feathers* presents interpretative issues such as evolution/extinction, hunting/conservation, health concerns, and a myriad of other ideas.

Expanding upon issues such as migration and conservation, *Wine on the Wing: A Wine-Tasting Cultural Event* will feature samplings of wines identified with viticulture in specific international regions. The event will feature great American wines, as well as unique wines from Europe, Africa, and Australia. Attendees will migrate from California to Argentina, France to Africa, and even Asia to learn about the history of the wine and the grape from each region. Discover the connections between wine, science, and culture, including the environmental impact of winemaking, how vineyard development effects habitats and migratory birds, and the history of wine and birds in literature and music.

Space is limited to 125 participants (age 21 and older), so the early bird catches the wine! Cost is \$35 for members, \$40 for non-members, or become an Event Patron for \$100. Event Patrons will receive acknowledgement on signage and program flyer and a preview tour of *Flocks & Feathers* with the curator at 5:30 pm. RSVP by March 28th by calling the Everhart at 570-346-7186 or email general.information@everhart-museum.org. Reservations must be prepaid with a credit card or check made out to "Everhart Museum."

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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.