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**John Ruthven at the Lloyd Library and Museum**  
***“In Search of Birds at the Lloyd: John Ruthven’s Art and Lloyd Library’s Books”***  
**May 3—August 29, 2008**  
**Opening Reception and Lecture: Saturday, May 3, 2008, 4—6 p.m.**



Expect the unexpected at the Lloyd! Known for its remarkable botany and pharmacy collections, this spring and summer the library will be filled with birds! Bird prints by John Ruthven, the man often referred to as the “20<sup>th</sup> Century Audubon,” will be in the Lloyd Gallery; and, Lloyd’s book exhibit will feature its little-known and rarely-seen ornithological volumes containing some of the most beautiful and spectacular birds drawn by natural history illustrators throughout history, from the well-known Mark Catesby to the anonymous work found in ornithology periodicals. Audubon will be represented in Lloyd’s 1937 edition of *The*

*Birds of America* by John James Audubon containing 500 color reproductions of Audubon’s originals. At the opening reception on Saturday, May 3, Ruthven will deliver his lecture “John Ruthven: In Search of the Ivory-billed Woodpecker” at 4:30 p.m. Visitors and guests will get a breathtaking glimpse of the spectacular fusion of art and science like never before! This event and the exhibitions are open to the public. Donations are appreciated. For more information about John Ruthven, go to <http://www.JohnRuthvenArt.com>. For more information about the Lloyd Library, see below.

The **Lloyd Library and Museum**, located at 917 Plum Street, downtown Cincinnati, is a local and regional treasure. The library was developed in the nineteenth century by the Lloyd brothers—John Uri, Curtis Gates, and Nelson Ashley to provide reference sources for Lloyd Brothers Pharmacists, Inc., one of the leading pharmaceutical companies of the period. Today the library is recognized worldwide by the scientific community as a vital research center. The library holds, acquires, and provides access to both historic and current materials on the subjects of pharmacy, botany, horticulture, herbal and alternative medicine, pharmacognosy, and related topics. Although our collections have a scientific focus, they also have relevance to humanities topics, such as visual arts and foreign languages through resources that feature botanical and natural history illustrations, original artworks, and travel literature, thereby revealing the

convergence of science and art. The Lloyd is open to anyone with an interest in these topics. Free parking is available for patrons and visitors behind the library building. For more information, visit the Lloyd website at [www.lloydlibrary.org](http://www.lloydlibrary.org).

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**Open Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

**Open the third Saturday of the month, September through May, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

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