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### **The State Museum of Pennsylvania Presents**

#### ***Wind Titans: A Pennsylvania Photo Essay***

**November 1, 2009 – May 2, 2010**

Harrisburg, PA - The State Museum of Pennsylvania presents *Wind Titans: A Pennsylvania Photo Essay*. This exhibit, which opens on Sunday, November 1, 2009, features the work of Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission photographer Don Giles. Giles traveled throughout the Commonwealth to capture the majesty of the towering wind turbines that have sprung up over the past decade on Pennsylvania's mountain ridges. His stunning photographs not only document the turbines' stately presence on the landscape, but they also capture the ethereal beauty of the gently rotating blades. In addition to large format photographs of wind farms and turbines, the exhibit features images of turbine manufacturing in Pennsylvania. *Wind Titans* runs through May 2, 2010.

Of the more than 500 wind farms in the United States, Pennsylvania claims thirteen, a number expected to grow exponentially because wind power is the fastest growing energy generation technology in the world.

The exhibit *Wind Titans: A Pennsylvania Photo Essay* is being underwritten by PPL.

Each year the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission selects a theme around which it organized programming and exhibits such as *Wind Titans*. In 2009, the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission (PHMC) focuses on energy and the effect it has had on the Commonwealth. This year-long public awareness campaign, titled *Energy: Innovation and Impact* is designed to increase awareness of the commonwealth's important role in fueling the nation historically and the effect it continues to have on citizens, industry, and the environment.

The State Museum of Pennsylvania, located at 300 North Street, is one of 25 historic sites and museums on the Pennsylvania Trails of History® ([www.PATrailsofHistory.com](http://www.PATrailsofHistory.com)). Museum hours are Tuesday through Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday, 12 noon to 5 p.m. General admission is \$3.00 for adults, \$2.00 for children/senior citizens. Members of the Pennsylvania Heritage Society at the individual level and higher enjoy free admission. Individuals who need special assistance should call (717) 787-6778 or the Pennsylvania TDD relay service at (800) 654-5984. For more information on *Wind Titans: A Pennsylvania Photo Essay* as well as other programs, exhibitions and events at The State Museum, click on [www.statemuseumpa.org](http://www.statemuseumpa.org).

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