

College of Performing and Visual Arts

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The College of Performing and Visual Arts at Southern Utah University is composed of three academic departments, the Arts Administration Master of Fine Arts Graduate program and two affiliated professional organizations.

- Department of Art and Design
- Department of Music
- Department of Theatre Arts and Dance
- Graduate program, Arts Administration, Master of Fine Arts
- Utah Shakespearean Festival
- Braithwaite Fine Arts Gallery

MISSION

The SUU College of Performing and Visual Arts will be a catalyst for students in realizing their creative potential.

Our Strategic Goals

- Acquaint all SUU students with the life-affirming value of the performing and visual arts;
- Create positive learning environments for majors as they seek to develop a life-long involvement in the arts and arts education;
- Offer a comprehensive curriculum and programming designed to give students opportunities to develop as artists, educators, and scholars;
- Sponsor events to enrich the quality of life on the campus and in the community;
- Empower and support our faculty and staff to be highly effective teachers, mentors, artists, scholars, and administrators.

Our mission and strategic goals are focused on making the arts vital, visible, accessible, innovative, and an integral part of the intellectual and cultural life of Southern Utah University and the Intermountain West.

Our Programs

The College of Performing and Visual Arts (CPVA) offers undergraduate degrees in the departments of Art & Design, Music, and Theatre Arts & Dance. In addition, we offer a comprehensive MFA graduate degree in Arts Administration. The curriculum and the

efforts of the highly qualified faculty and dedicated staff are further enhanced by affiliations with the Tony award-winning Utah Shakespearean Festival, the Braithwaite Fine Arts Gallery, the Halversen String Quartet, and the American Folk Ballet.

Our Students, Faculty, Staff, and Alumni

We seek students who are highly motivated, dedicated, enthusiastic, disciplined, creative, and resourceful. We also challenge our faculty, staff, and students to achieve the highest standards of excellence. Graduates of the College of Performing and Visual Arts find successful careers in education as arts teachers or as artists, designers, musicians, performers, production specialists, scholars or arts administrators. Our graduates are regularly admitted to nationally prominent graduate and professional schools.

GRADUATE DEGREES

Master of Fine Arts
Arts Administration

UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES & MAJORS

Art and Design

Bachelor of Arts in Art History

Bachelor of Arts in Studio Art

Bachelor of Fine Arts in Art Education

Bachelor of Fine Arts in Graphic Design

Bachelor of Fine Arts in Studio Arts

Ceramics/Sculpture Emphasis

Illustration Emphasis

Painting/Drawing/Printmaking Emphasis

Photography Emphasis

Theatre Arts & Dance

Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science

Theatre Arts – Acting/Directing

Theatre Arts – Design/Technical Theatre

Theatre Arts – Drama Education

Dance Performance

Dance Education

Bachelor of Fine Arts in Theatre

Classical Acting Emphasis

Musical Theatre Emphasis

Theatre Design & Technology Emphasis

Music

Bachelor of Arts

Music – Performance (Composite)*

Bachelor of Music Degree

Instrumental Emphasis

Vocal Emphasis

Piano Emphasis

Bachelor of Music Education

Music Education (Composite)*

Secondary Choral/Vocal Emphasis

Secondary Instrumental Emphasis

Licensure

Music Education Composite

*Composite majors do not require a minor

ACCREDITATION

Southern Utah University is an accredited institutional member of the National Association of Schools of Dance (NASD), the SUU Music Department is accredited by the National Association of Schools of Music (NASM) and Art & Design is accredited by the National Association of Schools of Art and Design (NASAD).

STUDENT ADVISING

Students receive general academic support as well as assistance in selecting appropriate majors and courses through the joint efforts of faculty advisors, the academic advisor for the College of Performing and Visual Arts and the University's Student Success Center. All students are strongly encouraged to see their advisors at least once a semester. The Performing and Visual Arts Academic advisor can be contacted at South Hall, Room 101A, by phone at (435) 586-7814 or at frezzad@suu.edu.

STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS

Departmental scholarships are available for students who are accepted into both Southern Utah University and the respective department.

Art and Design Majors

Scholarship recipients are determined based on a portfolio of well-taken images on a CD, photos, slides, or actual portfolio. Applications can be found at:

<http://www.suu.edu/pva/art/pdf/artscholarship.pdf>, or contact the Department of Art and Design, (435) 586-7962, e-mail artanddesign@suu.edu. Applications must be received no later than February 20 for the following fall semester. Departmental scholarships must be renewed each year.

Dance Majors

Scholarship recipients are determined during the spring placement auditions, which take place in January and February for the following fall semester. For an audition application form, contact the Department of Theatre Arts & Dance, (435) 586-7746 or by e-mail at theatreanddance@suu.edu. Students who live an extended distance from Cedar City, UT may submit an audition video.

Music Majors

Scholarship recipients are determined during the spring placement auditions, which take place in January and February for the following fall semester. Auditions are by appointment only. To arrange for an audition, please contact the Music Department at, (435) 586-7890 or by email at musicdept@suu.edu. Students who live an extended distance from Cedar City, UT may submit an audition video.

Theatre Majors

Scholarship recipients are determined during the spring placement audition, which takes place in February for the following fall semester. For an audition application form, contact the Department of Theatre Arts & Dance, (435) 586-7746 or by e-mail at theatreanddance@suu.edu. Students who live an extended distance from Cedar City, UT may submit an audition video.

Interested students are strongly advised to apply for general scholarships offered by SUU. The deadline is February 1. Contact Student Financial Aid, Sharwan Smith Center, Room ST 16, (435) 586-7735.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS & OPTIONS

Art majors are required to present Art Foundation portfolios for faculty review when they have completed or enrolled in all the Foundation courses or 25 credit hours in art.

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

Participating in one of the excellent student organizations is a good way to get the most from one's college experience. Among the many student organizations, the following are of particular interest to majors in the Performing and Visual Arts:

- Ceramics Guild
- Design Group@SUU – Graphic Design
- Photography Club
- Orchesis - Dance
- Masque Club - Theatre
- Music Club
- Stage II - Theatre
- Alpha Psi Omega – Theatre
- La Belle Epoque – Opera Club – Music
- Acclamation
- Ballroom Dance

BRAITHWAITE FINE ARTS GALLERY

The Braithwaite Fine Arts Gallery was opened in January 1976 and named in honor of Dr. Royden C. Braithwaite, who served as president of the University from 1955 to 1978. The gallery is a cultural resource center for the visual arts, serving a broad rural geographic region.

A variety of local, regional, and major national touring exhibitions are presented throughout the year, including an annual faculty exhibit and several student exhibitions. The gallery staff coordinates workshops for schools, special events, undergraduate and post-graduate internships, and special activities sponsored by the Friends of the Gallery.

For more information, contact the gallery at (435) 586-5432. Current exhibition information is online at <http://www.suu.edu/pva/artgallery>.

UTAH SHAKESPEAREAN FESTIVAL

Founded in 1961 as a destination theatre in partnership with Southern Utah University, the Utah Shakespearean Festival is committed to entertain, enrich, and educate audiences through professional production of Shakespeare and other master dramatists, as well as through numerous additional activities, including free Greenshows and seminars and numerous classes which can include SUU credit. The Festival now performs six plays each summer season and three each fall, as well as a new plays series, the New American Playwrights Project. Professional actors, directors and designers come from all over the world to work at the Festival. The Adams Shakespeare Theatre on the SUU campus is considered one of the finest, most authentic Elizabethan Theatres in the world, and the indoor Randall L. Jones Theatre is so beautiful and functional it was featured in *Architecture* magazine in 1990 when it opened. The Festival was awarded the 2000 Tony Award as the Outstanding Regional Theatre in America, in recognition of its world-class production values and acting. Every year a number of students from SUU's music, theatre arts and dance departments are employed as actors, technicians, musicians and dancers at the Festival. Current information is online at <http://www.bard.org>