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SUU Department of Theatre Arts and Dance presents *Journeys: A Faculty Dance Concert*

(Southern Utah University, Cedar City, UT) The Department of Theatre Arts and Dance will present *Journeys: Faculty Dance Concert*, March 5-12 and 12-14, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. in the Auditorium Theatre. Tickets are \$10 for General Admission, \$8 for SUU Faculty and Staff, \$5 for students/children, and SUU students attend free with a valid student ID. Tickets may be purchased at the door or by calling 435-586-7878. This concert will feature new choreography from SUU faculty and staff members Paul Ocampo and Shauna Mendini as well as visiting artist Michael Anderson. The concert will also include *Wagon Train* by Burch Mann and *To Have and To Hold* by Joanie Smith and Danial Shapiro.

Theatre Arts and Dance Chair, Shauna Mendini will offer a piece entitled *Darkness and Light*, inspired by one of the most important female artists of the twentieth century Kathe Kollwitz. Faculty member Paul Ocampo will present *Spirit of Takasago*. This piece was inspired by the poetry of SUU Department of English faculty member Danielle Dubrasky. Paul is also using original music composed by former SUU Faculty member, Dr. Gerald Yun and a graphic and visual design, created by SUU Art and Design faculty member Yueqi Zhang and two of his students.

Journeys will also offer an original piece by visiting choreographer Michael Anderson. This piece, a contemporary ballet about hope is entitled *Solace* and involves fourteen dancers. Among

these new works audiences will revel in the re-creation of two pieces, *To Have and To Hold* by Joanie Smith and Danial Shapiro and *Wagon Train* by Burch Mann.

Immerse in this evening of dance as the SUU Theatre Arts and Dance faculty and staff, entertain you with artful choreography, live music and beloved classics.

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ABOUT THE COLLEGE

The Southern Utah University College of Performing and Visual Arts is comprised of the departments of Art and Design, Music, Theatre Arts and Dance, and a graduate program in Arts Administration. The College's affiliate organizations include the Braithwaite Fine Arts Gallery, American Folk Ballet, Utah Shakespearean Festival, the performance group Acclamation, and the SUU Ballroom Dance Company. The College presents 100 performances, lectures, presentations, and exhibitions each year. Over 550 students are majoring in 16 different degree areas in the arts. Both liberal arts B.A. and B.S. degrees are offered, as well four professional degrees: Bachelor of Music (B.M.); Bachelor of Fine Arts (B.F.A.) in Studio Art, Graphic Design, and Arts Education; and the B.F.A. in Theatre. The College's Art and Design, Music, and Dance programs are nationally accredited. More than 60 full and part-time faculty and staff are engaged in teaching and mentoring students in their pursuit of a degree in the arts. The College regularly enrolls 1100 students each semester in over 195 classes on the SUU campus. For more information about the College of Performing and Visual Arts, contact the Office of the Dean 435-865-8561 or by e-mail at cpvamktg@suu.edu