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## **South Hall Features New Oil Paintings**

(Southern Utah University, Cedar City, Utah) Southern Utah University will be exhibiting the artwork of Brian Hoover's Advanced Oil Painting Class. These several paintings are categorized into four different themes: *collage painting*, *psychological self portrait*, *nonstandard paint application* and *landscapes*. The exhibit will be open Monday through Friday, March 25-April 22, 2009, from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., and admission is free and open to the public.

Throughout the *collage paintings*, the students juxtaposed two or more images to create one single image. The *psychological self-portraits* are how the artist views him/herself or the world. With the *nonstandard paint application*, the student used an unconventional way of putting oil paint on a canvas. The *landscapes* are oil paintings depicting the local surroundings of Utah.

These sophomores, juniors, and seniors submitted several pieces which were juried by Brian Hoover (professor of painting 2 & 3 courses) and Karen Gale (Education Director) This exhibition will also feature the oil paintings of Reece Summers and Karen Gale. Karen Gale is the curator of this exhibit and Education Director of the Braithwaite Fine Arts Gallery. Reece Summers is the curator of Southern Utah University's Braithwaite Fine Arts Gallery. Reece with the help of Steven Wagner, an MFA student in Arts Administration, will install this exhibit in South Hall.

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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, and the performance group Acclamation

and the Ballroom Dance Company. 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.); 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 regular enrolls 1100 students each semester over 195 classes on the SUU campus. For more information about the College of Performing and Visual Arts contact Office of the Dean 435-865-8561 or by e-mail at [byrnes@suu.edu](mailto:byrnes@suu.edu).