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**COLLEGE OF PERFORMING AND VISUAL ARTS CELEBRATES ITS 10<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY WITH A  
COMMEMORATIVE CONVOCATION**

(Southern Utah University, Cedar City, Utah) The College of Performing and Visual Arts will celebrate their 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with a special Convocation on September 23, 2008 at 11:30 a.m. in the Auditorium Theatre. There will be faculty artwork on display, as well as six short performances.

*Slow Exposure*, a beautiful dance duet will perform by two faculty members, Chien-Ying Wang and Paul Ocampo. A lively scene from a dynamic new adaptation of Aristophanes' *Lysistrata* by Dr. Christine Frezza, will be performed by the students in the Theatre and Dance Department. An engaging call and response horn piece, *Conzona noni toni*, will be presented by the Brass Ensemble students. The Percussion Ensemble students will present an energetic piece, *Stinkin' Garbage*. A passionate tango, *Ole Guapa*, will be performed by the Ballroom Dance Company and finally a rousing salute to America, *Yankee Doodle Dandy*, by Acclamation.

The College of Performing and Visual Arts (CPVA) is composed of Theatre and Dance Department, Arts Administration Program, Art and Design Department, Music Department, Ballroom Dance and Acclamation. This year, CPVA added two new undergraduate degrees, a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Theatre and a Bachelor of Music. Throughout all the different degree programs, more that 70 theatrical performances, 38 art exhibits, 127 musical performances and 22 choreographed dances are

produced each year. CPVA also maintains professional affiliates with the Braithwaite Fine Arts Gallery, the Halversen String Quartet, the American Folk Ballet, and the Utah Shakespearean Festival.

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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](mailto:cpvamktg@suu.edu).