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**SUU'S DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC PRESENTS**  
**FANG SHEN, CELLIST, IN RECITAL**  
**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2014**

**Southern Utah University, Cedar City, Utah:** An international guest artist who has performed with China's Wuhan Philharmonic, cellist **Fang Shen** is a gifted artist whose repertoire includes classical master works, contemporary composers and much more. The range of this remarkable musician will be showcased when **SUU's Department of Music** presents her in recital on **Tuesday, November 4, 2014** in **Thorley Recital Hall at 7:30pm**. The performance is **free and open to the public**. Thorley Recital Hall is located in the **SUU Music Building**.

To showcase her diversity, Ms. Shen has selected a very special program for the evening. From the classical realm, there will be a performances of "Cello Sonata No. 3" by Ludwig von Beethoven and "Canon in D for Cello Quartet" by Johann Pachelbel and arranged by Lynne Latham. Acclaimed film composer John Williams is presented by a rendition of his Academy Award-winning "Theme from Schindler's List, a Cello Duet." Chinese composition is represented by a performance of "Song of Picking Tea" by Liansan Wang. During the performance, Ms. Shen will collaborate with pianists Christian Bohnenstengel and Teresa Redd and cellists Carson Butler, Nina Hanson and Alexandra Schwartz.

**Ms. Sara (Fang) Shen** is a visiting professor in SUU's Department of Music. She earned her master's in Cello from Wuhan Conservatory of Music, Division of China Orchestral Instruments in 2012, and her bachelor's in Percussion and Cello from the same university in 2002. Ms. Shen has over 12 years of experience in concert performance and education, and has participated internationally in hundreds of orchestral performances and cello recitals. Participating in major competitions, she is the winner of several gold medals.

After completing her bachelor's, Ms. Shen worked for the Wuhan Philharmonic Orchestra for over 11 years as an associate principal cello as well as associate professor. As an educator at SUU, she has given a master class in cello, done research in music education and performs with SUU's String Ensemble and Symphony Orchestra.

Experience the artistry of this gifted Chinese cellist performing in this very special recital. This event is free and open to the public. For more information visit, [www.suu.edu/pva/arts](http://www.suu.edu/pva/arts)

## **ABOUT THE COLLEGE**

The **Southern Utah University College of Performing and Visual Arts** is comprised of nationally accredited departments of Art and Design, Music, Theatre Arts and Dance, as well as a graduate program in Arts Administration and newly created Center for Shakespeare Studies. The College offers 16 different degree areas, including liberal arts Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science degrees; professional Bachelor of Music and Bachelor of Fine Arts in art and theatre degrees; and a Master of Fine Arts in Arts Administration degree. More than 60 full- and part-time faculty and staff are engaged in teaching and mentoring over 550 majors in the College. Over 1100 students enroll each year in over 195 arts classes on the SUU campus. The College presents 100 performances, lectures, presentations, and exhibitions each year. The College's affiliate organizations include the Braithwaite Fine Arts Gallery, Utah Shakespeare Festival, and the SUU Ballroom Dance Company. For more information about the College of Performing and Visual Arts, contact the Office of the Dean at (435) 865-8561, or by e-mail at [cpvamktg@suu.edu](mailto:cpvamktg@suu.edu).

## **FOR CALENDAR EDITORS: FANG SHEN, CELLIST, IN RECITAL**

- WHAT:** SUU's Department of Music presents guest artist Fang Shen, cellists, in a free recital which features works by Beethoven, Pachelbel and American film composer John Williams.
- WHO:** Southern Utah University, College of Performing and Visual Arts, Department of Music
- WHEN:** Tuesday, November 4, 2014 @ 7:30pm
- WHERE:** Thorley Recital Hall, Music Building, Southern Utah University, Cedar City, UT
- INFO:** [www.suu.edu/pva/arts](http://www.suu.edu/pva/arts)
- PRICES:** Free and the General Public is encouraged to attend.