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**SUU's ART INSIGHTS TO HOST
SARA TABBERT, PRINTMAKER
ZION ARTIST-IN-RESIDENCE
OCTOBER 30TH, 2014**

SOUTHERN UTAH UNIVERSITY, Cedar City, UT: Inspired by the natural world, **Sara Tabbert** carefully collides the dancing contours and dynamic colors in her dimensional prints. Her interest and love for this careful craft inspire a dialogue between woodcut print work and my carved pieces. At her upcoming **Art Insights** appearance, Tabbert will be presenting her expeditions of study towards the creative processes of her prints and her experience as a Zion National Park Artist-in-Residence. The presentation will take place in the **Gilbert Great Hall** on **Thursday, October 30th, 2014, at 7pm. Admission is free and the general public is invited to attend.**

Trained as a Printmaker, **Sara Tabbert** desires to create interesting surfaces. With a Master's of Fine Arts degree in Printmaking from the University of Nebraska and a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Studio Art from Grinnell College, Tabbert finds joy in the mindful art of printmaking. The cunning twists and turns of her sculpting materials create beauty in the carved piece as art. The chiseled and engraved block often ends up as her finished work, rather than simply the things that could make a print. Insight awakens from her home just outside of Fairbanks, Alaska. Art inspired by the shapes and forms of the natural world provoke observation and life study that have always been important elements in the working process. Tabbert's search composes elements of "observation and imagination to skew my pieces away from pure realism. When my art is at its best it is part science and part fairy tale." Sara invigorates her symphony of science and fairy tales within schools and classrooms. Her love of printmaking is shared as she partner with children to create masterpieces inspired enjoy this careful art.

As an artist-in-residence with a folio of eclectic places, for Sara, "going to a new place and making art is always a richer experience than just traveling through it." From Yukon to Buenos Aires and from the National Park Service in Denali and Isle Royale, she explores combinations of color, movement and shape from our some of finest natural assets while having the time and space to make art is "truly a

unique opportunity.” With exhibitions, educational outreach and residences around the world, she aims to spark beauty through printmaking. Sara invites you to traverse her world and vibrant prints on her artist website: www.saratabbert.com.

Art Insights is a weekly program hosted during the fall and spring semesters by SUU's Art and Design faculty. Students and community members meet to experience presentations and discussions by visiting artists and art educators from around the nation who share their work and insights and attend gallery openings. Admission is free, and the general public is invited to attend.

The Zion National Park Artist-in-Residence program offers professional artists the opportunity to live and work in the majestic desert environment of southern Utah. The works completed under this program will contribute to the public understanding and appreciation of Zion National Park and reflect the National Park Service's mission to the preservation and protection of the park's cultural and natural resources.

ABOUT THE COLLEGE

Southern Utah University's College of Performing and Visual Arts is home to nationally-accredited departments of Art and Design, Music, Theatre Arts, and Dance. The College offers 17 degrees, including liberal arts Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science, professional Bachelor of Music, Bachelor of Fine Arts in art and theatre, and Arts Administration Master of Arts and Master of Fine Arts. It houses the Center for Shakespeare Studies, which offers a degree minor. More than 60 full- and part-time faculty and staff teach and mentor over 550 arts majors. Over 1100 students enroll each year in more than 195 arts classes. The College presents 100 performances, lectures, presentations, and exhibitions annually. Its 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 (435) 865-8561, or by e-mail at cpvamktg@suu.edu.

FOR CALENDAR EDITORS: SUU's *ART INSIGHTS* SARA TABBERT, PRINTMAKER

- WHAT:** Sara Tabbert, printmaker and Zion Artist-in-Residence, presents and discusses her experiences and studies of her craft.
- WHO:** Art Insights, Southern Utah University, Department of Art and Design
- WHEN:** Thursday, October 30, 2014 @ 7pm
- WHERE:** Gilbert Great Hall, Hunter Conference Center, Southern Utah University, Cedar City, UT
- INFORMATION:** Visit: www.suu.edu/pva/arts
- PRICES:** Free Admission and the General Public is encouraged to attend.