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SUU'S DEPT. OF MUSIC PRESENTS
IN FLIGHT: HIGH SCHOOL HONOR BAND CONCERT
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Southern Utah University, Cedar City, Utah: When the most accomplished high school instrumental students from across the intermountain west collaborate with **SUU's Wind Symphony** under the direction of SUU's **Dr. Adam Lambert, Director of Bands**, prepare yourself an energetic evening of music. Take off with ***In Flight: SUU's High School Honor Band Concert 2016***, a musical journey exploring the brass repertoire. Scheduled for **Saturday, January 9, 2016**, at a special time **6pm**, the concert will be performed at Cedar City's **Heritage Center Theater**. This concert is **free and open to the public**.

Each year **SUU's High School Honor Band Concert** showcases gifted student musicians from high school concert bands in Utah, Arizona, and Nevada. These student performers are selected through an audition process by SUU's music faculty. The chosen students participate in two days of rehearsals and activities culminating in this exciting concert at the end of the second day that also features the **SUU Wind Symphony**.

This year's concert features the young guest musicians alongside of the SUU Wind Symphony performing a variety of selections. The concert's program includes Samuel Hazo's soaring "In Flight" from which the performance takes its title. Other compositions on the evening's bill are Vaughan Williams's charming and atmospheric "English Folksong Suite," Alfred Reed's rousing "A Festival Prelude" and Frack Ticheli's simple and serene "Rest."

The High School Honor Band Concert is the climax of a two-festival of workshops. According to **Dr. Lambert**, "this special collaboration has members of SUU Wind Symphony share their time and expertise with these skilled high school musicians. This joint collaborative process evolves to produce a jubilant evening of music. As a music educator, this event remains a favorite of mine and audiences as well."

Dr. Adam Lambert is in his fourth year in the Department of Music faculty as Director of Bands and Brass Studies at SUU. He previously spent seven years directing the band and brass programs at Chadron State College in Nebraska, where he conducted the Wind Symphony, Symphonic Band, and Athletic Bands and coordinated the brass studio. He holds degrees in music education from Brigham Young University and a doctorate in trumpet performance from the University of North Texas. As an active trumpet educator, performer, and clinician in both classical and jazz, Dr. Lambert performed and recorded with the University of North Texas Wind Symphony on the series Teaching Music through Performance. He has performed as a professional jazz musician at many major jazz festivals, including the Snow Bird Jazz Festival, the Park City Jazz Festival, and the Salt Lake City Jazz Festival. Dr. Lambert is a Bach trumpet artist and clinician for the Conn-Selmer Corporation.

Kick off 2016 with an entertaining musical trek by attending ***In Flight: SUU's High School Honor Band Concert 2016***. For more information on the SUU College of Performing and Visual Arts events, please visit www.suu.edu/pva/arts.

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, visit www.suu.edu/pva.

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