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## **Photography Trendsetter, Chris McCaw to Present at SUU**

Southern Utah University, Cedar City, Utah: Chris McCaw started out like any other teenage kid, his mother forced him to take a class that he didn't want to take. The rarity in this case is that McCaw became instantly hooked to photography and has pioneered his own creative way through the lens of his camera. Hear him tell his story at Art Insights on Thursday, March 31, at 7 p.m. in the Auditorium Theatre. This presentation is open to the community and free of charge.

A native Californian, McCaw spent his time among the punk and skateboarding scenes. He took the motto of those "DIY" cultures and applied that to his work in photography. He built his first camera in 1995, a 7 x 17" view camera to make contact negatives for platinum prints. This paved the way for his Sunburn project and his revolutionary work in the field of photography.

McCaw's photography has been viewed in many public and private collections throughout the country from the West coast to the East coast. Collections include the New York Metropolitan Museum of Art, the National Gallery of Art in Washington DC, and the Museum of Photographic Arts in San Diego, California.

Being featured in publications and receiving various awards, McCaw's work should not be missed. His most recent accomplishments include the Emerging Icon in Photography award in 2014 from the George Eastman House International Museum of Photography and Film as well as his most recent solo exhibition at Yossi Milo Gallery in New York which opened this March.

**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. Admission is free, and the general public is invited to attend.

Be inspired by the astonishing work of Chris McCaw on Thursday, March 31, at the Auditorium Theatre on Southern Utah University's campus. For more information about this and other SUU College of Performing and Visual Arts' events, visit [www.suu.edu/pva](http://www.suu.edu/pva).

### **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 graduate programs in Arts Administration and Music and a 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 Master of Fine Arts in Arts Administration, Master of Arts in Arts Administration, Master of Music Education and Master of Music in Music Technology graduate degrees. 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 over 100 performances, lectures, presentations, and exhibitions each year. The College's affiliate organizations include the Southern Utah Museum of Art (SUMA), Utah Shakespeare Festival and SUU's Ballroom Dance Company. For more information about the College of Performing and Visual Arts, visit [www.suu.edu/pva](http://www.suu.edu/pva).

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**Who:** Art Insights, Southern Utah University, Department of Art and Design

**When:** Thursday, March 31, 2016

**Time:** 7:00 p.m.

**Where:** Auditorium Theatre, Southern Utah University, Cedar City, Utah

**Tickets:** Free admission, General Public invited to attend

**Info:** [www.suu.edu/pva/arts](http://www.suu.edu/pva/arts)

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