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**Beethoven, Greig, and Badelt, Oh My!**

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**Southern Utah University, Cedar City, Utah:** The Southern Utah University Symphony Orchestra (SUUSO), under the baton of its new Visiting Music Director, Dr. Canés Nicolas, will open their new season on October 31, 2016, at 7:30 pm in the Cedar City Heritage Center Theatre. This very special program will feature music from composers Albinoni, Beethoven, Grieg, Badelt, and Haitian composer Lamothe.

SUUSO will open the evening's performance with Tomaso Albinoni's *Sinfonia in G*, featuring the string section of the orchestra. This will be followed *Symphony No. 7, II, Allegretto*, by Beethoven, which George Grove, an acclaimed English writer on music, describes as "a string of beauties hand-in-hand." SUUSO's performance will also include Elvard Grieg's *Peer Gynt Suite No. 1*, and a Utah premiere of *Danza 4* by Haitian composer Ludovic Lamothe, affectionately called the "Black Chopin" due to his early reputation for reciting the works of his favorite composer, Frédéric Chopin. The orchestra will end the program with Halloween spirit by throwing out all the stops and performing Klaus Badelt's *Pirates of the Caribbean*.

Join SUUSO for an evening full of musical enchantment and excitement, and create new Halloween memories with your family you will not forget! Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$8 for Emeriti and Alumni with card, and \$5 for youth. SUU faculty, staff, and students can get in free with a valid ID card. For more information, visit [www.suu.edu/pva/music](http://www.suu.edu/pva/music).

**About the Conductor**

Visiting Music Director and Conductor Dr. Canés Nicolas was born and raised in Port-au-Prince, Haiti. He received his first musical training at L'Ecole de Musique Sainte Trinité (Holy Trinity Music School). Dr. Nicolas began learning the violin at age 8 with violinist Guerlyn Esperance.

In 2002, Dr. Nicolas joined l'Orchestre Philharmonique Sainte Trinité (Holy Trinity Philharmonic Orchestra). The following year, he began teaching the violin in the Suzuki program. Dr. Nicolas came to the United States when he was offered a scholarship to the University of Minnesota. While at the University of Minnesota, he received the Chancellor's String Quartet Scholarship, the Cecilian Society Scholarship, the UMD Orchestra Music Scholarship, the Omnibus

Scholarship, and the Orchestra Award. While Dr. Nicolas was at Ohio University to complete his masters program, he was the assistant conductor of the Ohio University Symphony and Campus Orchestras. He also served as the assistant conductor of the orchestras at the University of Nebraska - Lincoln, where he received his Doctor of Musical Arts.

Dr. Nicolas has studied conducting in Europe, as well as in the United States, with such teachers as Dumitru Goia, Steven Huang, Keith Lockhart, and Markand Thakar. Prior to joining the faculty at SUU, Dr. Nicolas taught at Wayne State College in Wayne, NE.

### **About the College of Performing and Visual Arts**

The Southern Utah University College of Performing and Visual Arts is comprised of nationally accredited departments of Art and Design, Music, and Dance. The College also offers programs in Theatre Arts, graduate programs in Arts Administration and Music, as well as 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 nearly 600 majors in the College. Over 1,100 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:** The Southern Utah University Symphony Orchestra

**When:** Monday, October 31, 2016

**Time:** 7:30 pm

**Where:** Cedar City Heritage Center, 105 N 100 E, Cedar City, Utah

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