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## **Swirl in the Musical Stylings of the String & Piano Ensemble**

Southern Utah University, Cedar City, Utah: The Department of Music at Southern Utah University presents the String and Piano Ensemble Recital on Monday, November 14, at 7:30 p.m. in the Thorley Recital Hall. Listen to a variety of works that have been practiced and perfected by these talented students. This recital is free and open to the public.

Krystal Hanson, a Music and French Major from Salt Lake City, said, "The most exciting thing we've [the Piano Ensemble] been working on for this concert would have to be the *Overture to The Bartered Bride* by Smetana. It's an exciting whirlwind of a piece that has been condensed from being played on a variety of orchestral instruments to fit into two piano parts. We've all been pushed to improve our skills in sight-reading difficult pieces as a group, and to improve our ability to play together expressively yet cohesively as team."

Hanson believes that the audience can look forward to a "fun and exciting performance from both the Piano Ensemble and the String Ensemble, as they have worked very hard to put together some wonderful pieces."

Ensemble work is important to all musicians. It gives them opportunities that solo work can't offer. Michael Levine, founder and director of the Dallas Brass explained the importance of ensemble work, "The small ensemble opens many doors for students to continue playing and performing and develops one's musicianship and character in a way that no other group can." He continued, "The players are on their own[...], each person is a soloist."

Visiting Orchestra Director, Dr. Canés Nicolas, said, "We will be performing Joseph Haydn's *String Quartet No. 1 La Chasse* and a Utah premiere of two Haitian folk pieces: *Latibonit O*, featuring Rebecca Parkinson, soprano, and *Waio-Waio*, featuring Marissa Brown, percussion. It's been a great semester working with this ensemble, they have come a long way improving their musicianship and playing technique."

Anthony Malachowski, currently a freshman Piano Performance Major at SUU, said, "I was born and raised in Cedar City, UT. I play piano and percussion. We've been working on some pretty exciting pieces for this concert including a *Sonatina in D minor* by Anton Diabelli. Having the opportunity to perform in a piano ensemble is quite a valuable experience! The audience can expect a very fun and exciting performance. If you're a pianist, or you just love piano music, you've got to be there!"

Don't miss this exhilarating performance by the String and Piano Ensembles! For more information, please visit [www.suu.edu/pva/music](http://www.suu.edu/pva/music).

## **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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- When:** Monday, November 14, 2016
- Time:** 7:30 p.m.
- Where:** Thorley Recital Hall, Music Building, Southern Utah University
- Tickets:** Free admission, General public invited to attend
- Info:** For more information, visit [www.suu.edu/pva/music](http://www.suu.edu/pva/music).

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