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The SUU Ceramics Guild is Firing It Up This Valentine's Day

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Southern Utah University, Cedar City, Utah: SUU's Ceramics Guild is firing up the kiln this Valentine's Day to bring you handcrafted ceramic bowls and mugs - the perfect gifts for yourself or that special someone this wintry season. These unique works of art will be on sale February 13 and 14 from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm in the Sharwan Smith Living Room.

Each ceramic piece is microwave and dishwasher safe, making these student creations both practical and beautiful works of art. Crafted pieces range from plates and cups to planter boxes with flowers or herbs inside, for the perfect gifts this Valentine's Day. With prices ranging from \$10 to \$25, there are affordable options for everyone.

All sales events hosted by the SUU Ceramic Guild fund educational opportunities for its members and allow visiting artists to come to SUU to teach new techniques. The Valentine's Day sale will help send ten students to the annual National Council on Education for the Ceramic Arts (NCECA) conference. This year's conference will be held in Portland, Oregon on March 22 to 25. The NCECA conference provides the students with enriching educational experiences and networking opportunities with graduate schools and other artists from around the country. A panel of jurors is also available to critique the students' portfolios, allowing them to receive additional feedback on their works. Multiple art gallery visits are also included in their conference trip.

For questions about the SUU Ceramics Guild or Valentine's Day sale, please contact Seth York at sethyork23@yahoo.com.

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.

For Calendar Editors:

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Who: Ceramics Guild, Southern Utah University, Department of Art & Design

When: February 13 and 14, 2017

Time: 10:00 am to 4:00 pm

Where: Sharwan Smith Living Room, Southern Utah University, Cedar City, Utah

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