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SUU's Percussion Ensemble Resonates the Ethereal and Chaotic

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Southern Utah University, Cedar City, Utah: The College of Performing and Visual Arts' Department of Music offers a dynamic and contemporary performance of varying percussive sounds and scores in the *Fall Percussion Ensemble Concert* on Monday, November 20, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. in SUU's Music Building Thorley Recital Hall. The music captures the multiplicity of everyday experience and deeper thought. Everyone is invited to attend the free concert.

This year's performance will include the alluring vibe piece *Tesseract* by Francisco Perez. This portion of the program will feature Jordan Nielsen and take the audience through a musical pathway that seems otherworldly and surreal.

Mayhem, by Daniel Montoya, was written as a tribute to the birth of his first child. It follows the chaos that is parenthood. Flowing from in-utero movements to nightly dance parties. Its tempo and composition strives to capture the tender yet chaotic early years of life.

Southern Utah University sophomore, Melanie Hunt, states, "The most rewarding moments have happened when we all groove together, when a certain phrase or entire piece just works because we are a good team and really know what the piece means to us. The variety of repertoire, instrumentation, and even students who perform truly make each concert special."

Jordan Nielsen, a Music Performance Major at Southern Utah University, said, "Many people do not know what percussion music is really like. Percussion ensemble is as diverse as your imagination allows. This concert has something in it for anyone to love."

Delight in the sound of this unique and varied concert. For more information on SUU's Music Department, please visit 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 programs in Art & 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 26 academic programs, 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 600 majors in the College. 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.

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- When:** Monday, November 20, 2017
- Time:** 7:30 p.m.
- Where:** Thorley Recital Hall, Music Building, Southern Utah University, Cedar City, Utah
- Tickets:** Everyone is invited to attend the free concert.
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