



SOUTHERN UTAH MUSEUM of ART

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## **Tuesdays at the Southern Utah Museum of Art**

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**Southern Utah Museum of Art, Cedar City, Utah:** To bring more art-related activities to the residents of Iron County, the Southern Utah Museum of Art (SUMA) will be offering a variety of programs on various Tuesdays throughout the spring semester. The museum kicked off the semester with Create Playdate, aimed at preschoolers and their parents on January 16. The monthly program will continue throughout the spring on February 20, March 20, April 17, and May 15 at 11 a.m. Adults can participate in Lunch and Learn on February 13 and April 10 at 12 p.m. and Melody in the Museum on February 27 and April 24 at 12 p.m. All activities are free and open to the public.

"This spring, we are excited to expand our public programming. We hope that families will join us on select Tuesdays for Create Playdate or attend the new Melody in the Museum program," said Jessica Farling, SUMA Director/Curator. "With other Tuesdays being geared toward adults, there really is something for everyone this semester at SUMA."

Those wanting to learn more about art can join Lunch and Learn and dive into art history. On February 13, Dr. Andrew Marvick will discuss the history of installation artists including Marchel Duchamp, Ai WeiWei, and Spencer Finch. On April 10, Museum Director/Curator Jessica Farling will be presenting history behind modern and contemporary sculpture with discussions about Henry Moore, Alexander Calder, and James Surls. Both events begin at 12 p.m. Attendees are invited to bring their lunch while drinks and desserts will be provided.

If patrons are also music lovers, Melody in the Museum will be presented on February 27 and April 24. Starting at 12 p.m., faculty or students from Southern Utah University's Music Department will be performing 30-minute concerts on the museum's Steinway & Sons piano.

Parents seeking daytime activities for their preschool children (ages 3 to 5) can join Create Playdate. This 45-minute program begins with a story and is followed by creative activities in visual and performing arts. Led by students from the Beverley Taylor Sorenson College of Education and Human Development, Create Playdate is a partnership between SUMA and artsFUSION. "Create Playdate is so much fun because my students get to work with young children and their parents," Alisa Petersen, Beverley Taylor Sorenson Endowed Chair of Elementary Arts, said. "This program provides my students the opportunity to take their ideas off the page and turn them into real-life experiences." These remaining activities will be held on February 20, March 20, April 17, and May 15 at 11 a.m.

Visit SUMA this spring semester to see how the museum is creating shared experiences in art for all Iron County residents. For more information on adult programs, please visit: <https://www.suu.edu/pva/suma/experience/adult-programs.html>. For more information on family programs, please visit: <https://www.suu.edu/pva/suma/experience/family-programs.html>.

### **About Southern Utah Museum of Art (SUMA)**

The Southern Utah Museum of Art, on the campus of Southern Utah University, features the artwork of regional artists known for their landscapes, faculty and student artists from the SUU Department of Art & Design, as well as emerging and distinguished artists from around the country. Strengths of the nearly 2,000-object permanent collection include the body of work by Jimmie Jones that exemplifies his notable career in the regions, as well as a robust collection of prints featuring well-known artists such as Pierre-Auguste Renoir, Salvador Dalí, Katsushika Hokusai, Thomas Hart Benton, and others. Part of the Beverley Taylor Sorenson Center for the Arts, which also includes the Utah Shakespeare Festival, SUMA is free and open to the public.

### **For Calendar Editors: Tuesdays at the Southern Utah Museum of Art**

**What:** This spring semester, the Southern Utah Museum of Art (SUMA) will be offering a variety of programs throughout the day on Tuesdays. These programs are for both children and adults and are free and open to the public.

Lunch and Learn shares insights into art history on February 13 and April 10 starting at 12 p.m. Drinks and desserts will be provided. Melody in the Museum will be presented on February 27 and April 24 from 12-12:30 p.m. Faculty or students from Southern Utah University's Music Department will perform concerts on the museum's Steinway & Sons piano. Create Playdate is a 45-minute program that begins with a story and is followed by creative activities in visual and performing arts. These activities will be held on February 20, March 20, April 17, and May 15 at 11 a.m.

**Who:** Southern Utah Museum of Art

**When:** Lunch and Learn (February 13 and April 10); Melody in the Museum (February 27 and April 24); and Create Playdate (February 20, March 20, April 17, and May 15)

**Time:** Lunch and Learn (12 p.m.-1 p.m.); Melody in the Museum (12 p.m.-12:30 p.m.); and Create Playdate (11 a.m.-11:45 a.m.)

**Where:** Southern Utah Museum of Art, 13 S 300 W, Cedar City, Utah

**Info:** For more information, please visit [www.suu.edu/suma](http://www.suu.edu/suma).

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