



SOUTHERN UTAH MUSEUM of ART

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***Loving Vincent* Coming to Southern Utah**
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Southern Utah Museum of Art, Cedar City, Utah: *Loving Vincent*, the 2017 Academy Award-nominated film for Best Animated Feature, is coming to the Southern Utah Museum of Art (SUMA) on March 29, 2018 at 7 p.m. The screening is part of the museum's on-going program, SUMA Happenings, an event geared toward Southern Utah University students. SUMA Happenings are always free for SUU students and Friends of SUMA members. Non-students and not-yet members are invited to attend for \$5 at the door. Free popcorn will be available for attendees and seating is limited.

Loving Vincent is the world's first fully oil-painted feature film that brings Vincent van Gogh's artwork to life. The film explores his complicated life and controversial death. It took over six years to make the movie with the help of 125 artists. Composed of 65,000 painted frames, *Loving Vincent* is based on extensive research, 800 personal letters, and inspiration from of the artist's most famous works.

"This is a special opportunity for the community to see a stylistically-unique film that is only being released selectively," Arielle Altenburg, Community Engagement Associate said. "It's important that SUMA screens *Loving Vincent* because it gives viewers a glimpse into an artist's life and can serve as a reminder that an artist's work is often a reflection of their own personal history."

After the film, attendees will have the opportunity to engage in breakout discussions to answer the question, "What really happened to Vincent van Gogh?"

Explore the life and death of Vincent van Gogh through the Academy Award-nominated animated oil painting film *Loving Vincent*. For more information, please visit: www.suu.edu/pva/suma/experience/university-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:

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Who: Southern Utah Museum of Art

When: Thursday, March 29, 2018

Time: 7-9 p.m.

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

Info: For more information, please visit www.suu.edu/suma.

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