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**SUU's Department of Theatre Arts and Dance
To Host Sixth Annual Festival of Trees November 29 – December 1**

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Southern Utah University, Cedar City, Utah: A community celebration of caring and giving is planned when SUU's Department of Theatre Arts and Dance presents a holiday Festival of Trees. This family event runs from November 29 through December 1, 2018, in the lobby of the Randall L. Jones Theatre. Hours for viewing are 3 p.m. until 8 p.m. November 29 and 30 with hours from 9 a.m. until 8 p.m. on December 1. While donations of canned goods are requested to be brought to the theatre to benefit Iron County Care and Share, all events are free and open to the public.

The Festival of Trees is not only a community event to celebrate the season, but also a way to raise funds for Iron County Care and Share. All trees on display have been decorated and provided by local businesses and individuals. These trees are donated to the festival and will be sold through silent auction, with all proceeds being donated to Iron County Care and Share. To add to the festivities once again the balcony of the Randall L. Jones Theatre will be decorated with the Utah Shakespeare Festival's Christmas Village, which is sure a sight to behold.

Saturday, December 1, will truly be a family orientated day at the Festival. Starting at 9:30 a.m., there will be readings of Christmas stories as well as a coloring station and contest for children. Santa will join the festival from about 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. in the lobby. He will be there for children and families to visit.

During the open house times there will be a place for visitors to bid on trees. Winning bids will be announced on December 1 and trees are delivered soon after. In support of the Festival of Trees, with a donation of a can of food, the Department of Theatre Arts and Dance is offering a \$2 discount on the price of admission to *FRESH! An Original Choreographed Dance Concert*.

Get in the spirit of the holiday season with this family friendly and charitable event. For more information about the Department of Theatre Arts and Dance at SUU, please visit www.suu.edu/pva/ta.

About the College of Performing and Visual Arts

The College of Performing and Visual Arts (CPVA) at Southern Utah University comprises 26 academic programs including liberal arts (BA/BS) and professional (BFA, BM) degrees in art, design, dance, music and theatre. It includes graduate programs in the fields of arts administration (MFA, MA), music education (MME), and music technology (MM). More than 60

full-time faculty and staff are engaged in teaching and mentoring nearly 700 majors in the College. CPVA presents over 100 performances, lectures, presentations, and exhibitions each year and is affiliated with the Southern Utah Museum of Art (SUMA), Utah Shakespeare Festival, and the Center for Shakespeare Studies. Southern Utah University is an accredited member of the National Association of Schools of Art & Design (NASAD), National Association of Schools of Dance (NASD), and the National Association of Schools of Music (NASM). For more information about the College of Performing and Visual Arts, visit www.suu.edu/pva.

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