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IMPACT: SUU Art and Design Faculty and Alumni Show

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Southern Utah University (SUU), Cedar City, Utah: SUU's Department of Art and Design and Southern Utah Museum of Art (SUMA) will present a show featuring works of art by current faculty and past students titled *IMPACT: An Exhibition of SUU Art & Design Faculty and Alumni*. The opening reception for *IMPACT* will be on Thursday, January 10, 2019 from 6-8 p.m. at SUMA. This event is free and open to the public.

Jeffrey Hanson, chair of the Department of Art and Design and associate professor of graphic design at SUU, explains, "*IMPACT* is an exhibition featuring the work of SUU Art and Design faculty and former students who they have mentored. For the 20th anniversary of the College of Performing and Visual Arts, we thought it fitting to highlight some of the amazing alumni who have gone on to be art and design professionals alongside the faculty who helped get them started. The work is stunning in its breadth and creativity. I hope you'll look for visual influences that connect teachers and students through aesthetics, motif, and style as we celebrate the impact professors have on their students and vice versa."

Commemorating the 20th Anniversary of the College of Performing and Visual Arts at SUU, this unique exhibition brings together the world of mentor and mentee.

Rheana Reeves, associate chair of the Department of Art and Design and associate professor of photography at SUU, shares, "The relationship between artists and the people who taught them can be a powerful one. We realize that the instruction given by our teachers during our relatively brief careers as students continues to expand within us as we age and mature, personally and professionally. We realize that the learning they inspired is a chain-reaction process that develops across our lifetime. All of us who have been students carry forward our professors' legacy in one form or another. And those who are, or have been teachers, bear witness to the potency of studenthood."

On Tuesday, January 22 at 4 p.m., guests can learn more about the art in the exhibition during a gallery talk. Select presenting faculty members will lead a guided tour that will provide guests with insight on the displayed pieces.

The community will have the opportunity to learn from select Art and Design faculty members through a new program called Faculty Focus held on Tuesdays in February. Attendees of the workshop series will be able to experience hands-on learning in a variety of media represented in the exhibition including watercolor, ceramics, photography and letterpress. Tickets for the workshops are available on [Eventbrite](#).

“We are thrilled to present this opportunity for guests to learn from our skilled and talented faculty members,” said Jessica Farling, SUMA director/curator. “This workshop series will give attendees a hands-on experience to learn about and create in artforms that are showcased in the current exhibition.”

IMPACT will be on display January 10 through March 15, 2019 at SUMA. The museum is now open Monday through Saturday from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Celebrate the new semester and the 20th Anniversary of SUU’s College of Performing and Visual Arts with stunning artwork from our faculty and alumni. For more information, please visit www.suu.edu/suma.

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.

About Southern Utah Museum of Art (SUMA)

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: IMPACT: SUU Art and Design Faculty and Alumni Show

What: SUU’s Department of Art and Design and Southern Utah Museum of Art will present a show featuring works of art by current faculty and past students at the first Art Insights night of the semester. The IMPACT opening reception will be on Thursday, January 10, 2019 from 6-8 p.m. at the Southern Utah Museum of Art. This event is free and open to the public.

Who: SUU Department of Art and Design and Southern Utah Museum of Art

When: Opening reception - Thursday, January 10, 2019, 6-8 p.m.
Exhibition - January 10 through March 15, 2019, Monday through Saturday from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Where: Southern Utah Museum of Art, 13 S 300 W, Cedar City, UT 84720

Tickets: This event is free and open to the public

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

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