

## **Southern Utah University Shines at Annual State Broadcasting Awards**

Southern Utah University students and alumni did well at the Utah Broadcasters Association “UBEE Awards” presented at the annual ceremony in Salt Lake City on October 24, 2008.

Of the 25 awards earned by radio stations in southwestern Utah, 24 award recipients had an SUU connection.

Southern Utah University’s own KSUU-FM collected the greatest share of the 25 regional awards, with 6 gold awards and 10 silver.

Commercial broadcasters Canyon Media Group (The Hawk, KONY Country, The Planet) received seven total awards (3 gold, 4 silver) , and Cherry Creek Radio (KDXU, B 92.1/96.7) earned 2 gold awards.

SUU alumnus Shawn Denevan (2000), is the production director for the Canyon Media Group in St. George and was responsible for producing 6 of the 7 awards earned by Canyon.

Both gold awards presented to St. George’s Cherry Creek Radio were earned by SUU alumna Andrea Wright (2003).

Southern Utah University’s non-commercial campus station, KSUU, competed well against the commercial radio groups bringing home 16 total awards. KSUU award winners included SUU students, faculty, staff, and alumni.

Award winners from KSUU included: Chris Babb, Justin and Kimberly Bowles , Art Challis, Ian Durrant, Ray deWolfe, Tony Eccles, Lindsey Hansen, Emily Holmgren, Kipp Howard, Paul Howell, Sally Hunter Jensen, Natalee Jones, Jeff Kinsel, Ryan McLean, Kathleen Millar, Eric Moses, Dean O’Driscoll, Cal Rollins, Carl Webb, and Monica Workman.

In addition to the awards earned by those with SUU ties in southern Utah, SUU Alumnus Richie Steadman of the Simmons Media Group in Salt Lake City, received a gold award at the UBEEs for his work as the producer of the X96 Radio From Hell morning show. Steadman also received a silver award for Best :30 Commercial.