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ART INSIGHTS: PAROWAN GAP IS "GOD'S OWN HOUSE"

(Southern Utah University) The SUU Department of Art and Design's weekly *Art Insights* program will feature Gardiner Dalley, Bureau of Land Management Archaeologist, on Thursday, September 24, 2009, at 7:00 p.m. in the Centrum Arena, Section K. Dalley will discuss the natural history, archaeology and anthropology of Parowan Gap. Additionally, SUU art professors Arlene Braithwaite and Brian Hoover will discuss how the gap has inspired their artwork.

This *Art Insights* presentation about Parowan Gap is intended to deepen students' understanding of and appreciation for the canyon as they begin creation of art works for the January exhibit, *Parowan Gap: "God's Own House."* This exhibit will be shown in the Braithwaite Fine Arts Gallery from January 7 to January 30, 2010. Students and faculty members will travel to and personally experience Parowan Gap throughout the Fall 2010 semester and will express their individual experiences with the area in their art pieces.

Art Insights is a weekly program hosted during the fall and spring semesters by SUU's Art and Design faculty. Students and community members meet weekly to attend gallery openings and experience presentations and discussions by visiting artists and art educators from around the nation who share their work and insights. Admission is free, and the general public is invited to attend.

For more information on the SUU College of Performing and Visual Arts events, please call the Arts Hotline at (435) 865-8800, or visit www.suu.edu/arts.

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ABOUT THE COLLEGE

The Southern Utah University College of Performing and Visual Arts is comprised of nationally accredited departments of Art and Design, Music, Theatre Arts and Dance, as well as a graduate program in Arts Administration. The College offers 16 different degree areas, including liberal arts Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science degrees; professional Bachelor of Music and Bachelor of Fine Arts in art and theatre degrees; and a Master of Fine Arts in Arts Administration degree.

More than 60 full- and part-time faculty and staff are engaged in teaching and mentoring over 550 majors in the College. Over 1100 students enroll each year in over 195 arts classes on the SUU campus. The College presents 100 performances, lectures, presentations, and exhibitions each year.

The College's affiliate organizations include the Braithwaite Fine Arts Gallery, American Folk Ballet, Utah Shakespearean Festival, the performance group Acclamation, and the SUU Ballroom Dance Company. For more information about the college or about the College of Performing and Visual Arts, contact the Office of the Dean (435) 865-8561, or by e-mail at cpvamktg@suu.edu.

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