

## FINE ARTS GALLERY

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## SUU'S BRAITHWAITE FINE ARTS GALLERY SHOWCASES CONTEMPORARY CERAMIC ART IN "50 FROM 6" SEPTEMBER 25-NOVEMBER 8, 2014

Southern Utah University, Cedar City, Utah: The depth and breadth of contemporary ceramics are vibrantly showcased when SUU's Braithwaite Fine Arts Gallery presents 50 from 6: Contemporary Ceramic Art from Six Rocky Mountain States. This remarkable exhibition is sponsored by The Friends of the Braithwaite Fine Arts Gallery and runs September 25 through November 8, 2014 at the Gallery. The gallery's fall hours are Tue–Sat, noon–7pm. Admission is free, and the general public is encouraged to attend. There will be a special "sneak peek" of the exhibition on Wednesday, September 24th at 6pm. The free event is hosted by The Friends of the Braithwaite Fine Arts Gallery and will include a reception with light refreshments.

Featuring ceramic art from some of the most acclaimed and respected artisans of the craft, **50 from 6** celebrates the rich tradition and history of the medium. According to exhibition curator Susan Harris, SUU Professor of Art, "Fired clay objects hold one of the longest places in history of man-made artifacts: over 30,000 years. Their importance to human culture is indisputable. Artists selected for this exhibition reconfigure standing ceramic traditions in outstanding ways, bridging the past and the future through their work. Included art works illustrate diverse ceramic traditions, from ornate sculpture to utilitarian tableware, with influences from across the world and the historical past."

Six states included in this exhibition are: Utah, Arizona, New Mexico, Colorado, Idaho and Montana. With almost 10 years since the last regional ceramics exhibition in Utah, this is a unique opportunity for our community to view cutting-edge contemporary work. *50 from 6* cohesively demonstrates the limitless potential of clay through an engaging survey of this humble, ubiquitous and transmutable material.

During the exhibition's run there will be a series of related events including an artist's lecture, soup bowl sale at the Gallery, art hike exploring clay in our region and more. For information about these events, please visit www.suu.edu/pva/artgallery.

Made possible by major funding from **The Friends of the Braithwaite Fine Arts Gallery**, additional sponsors include the **Utah Division of Arts & Museums**, **Rainbow Sign & Banner** and the **Cedar City • Brian Head Tourism Bureau**.

For more information about the exhibitions at the Braithwaite Fine Arts Gallery, please call (435) 586-5432, or visit www.suu.edu/pva/artgallery.

## **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 and Center for Shakespeare Studies. 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, Utah Shakespeare Festival, and the SUU Ballroom Dance Company. For more information about the College of Performing and Visual Arts, contact the Office of the Dean at (435) 865-8561, or by e-mail at <a href="mailto:cpyamktg@suu.edu">cpyamktg@suu.edu</a>.

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**WHO:** Southern Utah University, Braithwaite Fine Arts Gallery

WHEN: September 25-November 8, 2014

**TIME:** Tuesday – Saturday, noon–7pm

WHERE: Braithwaite Fine Arts Gallery, Braithwaite Building, Lower Level,

Southern Utah University, Cedar City, UT

**TICKETS:** Free Admission

INFO: (435) 586-5432 or www.suu.edu/pva/artgallery