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Hum Along with Rodgers and Hammerstein

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Southern Utah University, Cedar City, Utah: The Department of Music at Southern Utah University (SUU) renews the *Great American Songbook Series* on Tuesday, October 17, 2017, in the Southern Utah Museum of Art (SUMA) at 7:30 p.m. with students and faculty performing the music of Rodgers and Hammerstein. Ticket prices are \$10 for adults, \$5 for students, and \$25 for a season ticket to all four concerts.

Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein II created a new genre in theatre with their musical play, *Oklahoma!* In their bio on the Rodgers and Hammerstein website, they are cited as “the most successful partnership in Broadway musical history. Collectively, the musicals of Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein II earned 42 Tony Awards, 15 Academy Awards, two Pulitzer Prizes, two Grammy Awards and 2 Emmy Awards.”

Carol Ann Modesitt, Director of Opera & Voice at SUU, said, “The first two concerts of the Southern Utah University Music Department *Great American Songbook Series* celebrate the music of Rodgers and Hammerstein. The composer and lyricist collaborated on so many musicals together that we felt we couldn’t do justice to them in one concert, so we decided to do two concerts of their music. Their music will be featured in the first two concerts of our series on Tuesdays, October 17, 2017, and December 5, 2017 at 7:30 in SUMA. For our first concert, students and faculty will be performing music from *Carousel*, *South Pacific*, *Me and Juliet*, *The King and I*, *Cinderella*, and *Oklahoma*.”

The proceeds from this concert series will be used as a fund to assist students with instrument repair and contribute to student travel for conferences throughout the year. This will relieve a portion of the financial requirement that faces students studying music.

Upcoming *Great American Songbook Series* concerts scheduled for the 2017-2018 school year include Tuesday, December 5, 2017, at 7:30 featuring Rodgers and Hammerstein; Tuesday, February 13, 2017, featuring songs by Johnny Mercer; and Tuesday, March 27, 2017, featuring the music of Harold Arlen.

Hum along with the great American musical theatre songs by Rodgers and Hammerstein. For more information about the Department of Music at SUU, please visit www.suu.edu/pva/music.

About the College of Performing and Visual Arts

The Southern Utah University College of Performing and Visual Arts is comprised of nationally accredited programs in Art & Design, Music, and Dance. The College also offers programs in Theatre Arts, graduate programs in Arts Administration and Music, as well as a Center for Shakespeare Studies. The College offers 26 academic programs, 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 Master of Fine Arts in Arts Administration, Master of Arts in Arts Administration, Master of Music Education and Master of Music in Music Technology graduate degrees. More than 60 full- and part-time faculty and staff are engaged in teaching and mentoring over 600 majors in the College. The College presents over 100 performances, lectures, presentations, and exhibitions each year. The College's affiliate organizations include the Southern Utah Museum of Art (SUMA), Utah Shakespeare Festival and SUU's Ballroom Dance Company. For more information about the College of Performing and Visual Arts, visit www.suu.edu/pva.

For Calendar Editors: Hum Along with Rodgers and Hammerstein

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Who: Department of Music at Southern Utah University, Faculty, Students

When: Tuesday, October 17, 2017

Time: 7:30 PM

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

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