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## Sally Strand: Captivated by Light

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**Southern Utah University, Cedar City, Utah:** SUU's Department of Art & Design welcomes Sally Strand as an Art Insights speaker at Southern Utah Museum of Art (SUMA) on November 2, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. Strand has been listed in Who's Who in American Artists, was inducted into the Pastel Society of America's Hall of Fame and the International Society of Pastel Artists Master Circle. Her work as she calls it is a "visual poetry" that celebrates common place moments and their inherent narrative. Her presentation is free and open to the public.

Strand's work, painted with oil and pastel, captures the subtle brilliance and variety of light on every day circumstances. Everything from pears to empty beds is transformed into a master study of the facets of reflection, refraction, and prismatic effects. Her work stands as a testament to the beauty of daily routines and human interaction.

In her artist statement, Sally Strand states, "I relate to small moments of life that are often overlooked. These moments resonate with me because they are familiar—we see ourselves in them. They sometimes suggest things beyond the obvious. Painting mundane objects or tasks provides me with a challenge to portray the commonplace in a compelling way, to make the usual unusual and worthy of notice."

Southern Utah University Professor of Art, Eric Brown, said he invited Strand to Art Insights because, "I believe that her beautiful and sensitive use of color in dry drawing media will be revelatory to artists and aspiring artists. In particular, when depicting white she uses an astonishing array of colors that capture the transient and migratory nature of light."

Art Insights is hosted during the fall and spring semesters by SUU's Art & Design faculty. Students and community members meet to experience presentations and discussions by visiting artists and art educators from around the nation who share their work and insights.

Join us in examining the dynamics of everyday experiences and the many facets of color and light during Strand's Art Insights discussion on Thursday, November 2, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in SUMA. Her work will be on display at SUMA October 31 through December 16, 2017. Both events are free and open to the public.

## 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.

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Who: Art Insights, Southern Utah University, Department of Art & Design

When: Thursday, November 2nd

**Time:** 7:00 p.m.

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

**Tickets:** Free admission, General Public invited to attend

**Info:** Visit www.suu.edu/pva for more information.

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