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Relive the Romantic Classics of Rodgers and Hart

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Southern Utah University, Cedar City, Utah: The Department of Music at Southern Utah University completes this year's *Great American Songbook Series* with their final performance on Tuesday, March 21st. Ticket prices are \$10 for adults and \$5 for students. The concert will be in the Southern Utah Museum of Art at 7:30 p.m. with students and faculty featuring the music of Rodgers and Hart.

Richard Rodgers and Lorenzo Hart wrote many Broadway musicals together including *A Connecticut Yankee*, *Babes In Arms*, *I'd Rather Be Right*, *Too Many Girls*, *Higher and Higher*, and *By Jupiter*. Hart passed away in 1943, leaving Rodgers to then work with Oscar Hammerstein II on many classic Broadway hits that we still enjoy today.

Classic pop songs from Rodgers and Hart are *I Wish I Were In Love Again, My Funny Valentine, The Lady Is A Tramp, Falling In Love With Love, Bewitched, Bothered and Bewildered, My Romance, I'll Take Manhattan, Johnny One Note* and *Wait Till You See Her.* With these catchy tunes, you might find yourself singing and dancing along.

Carol Ann Modesitt, founder of the *Great American Songbook Series*, said, "I chose to feature Rodgers and Hart because they wrote so many songs that stood the test of time. Rodgers and Hart proved to be a great song writing team."

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.

Sara Rollins, a student majoring in Music Education with an emphasis in Choral studies, said, "This concert series gives students an opportunity to sing a style of music that we wouldn't regularly sing in our private voice studies. Preparing for this concert taught me the importance of being diverse in my vocal skills."

Support the music students at Southern Utah University at this exciting concert. For more information about the Department of Music at SUU, please visit <u>www.suu.edu/pva/music</u>.

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