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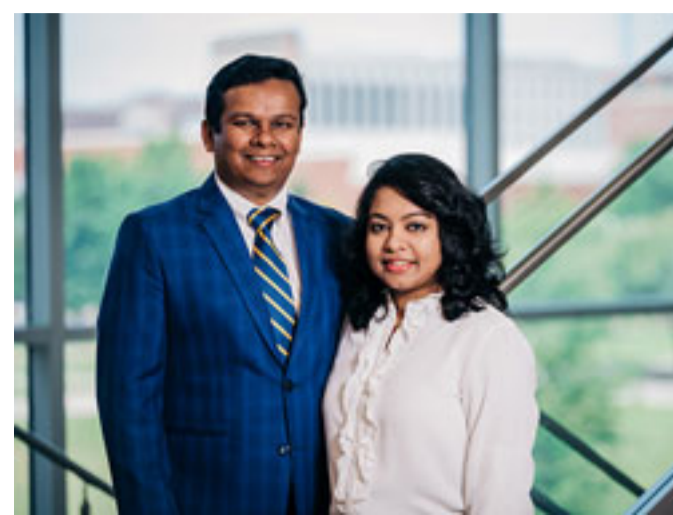
Register to volunteer at Blazer Kitchen

Pick up a two-hour shift at UAB's on-campus food pantry in the 1613 Building or Blazer Kitchen Hill Student Center now through Labor Day to help combat a volunteer shortage. Free parking is available at the 1613 Building. Register on BlazerPulse and get details online. Contact blazerkitchen@uab.edu or (205) 996-2040 for more information.



\$6.9 million award expands study of knee pain

Since 2003, the Multicenter Osteoarthritis Study has recruited and followed 4,500-plus participants at UAB and Boston University. A new five-year award from the National Institute on Aging will be used to add more participants.



Couples who dream together, stay together

Raiful Hasan and Taiaba Afrin traveled to the United States from Bangladesh to pursue higher education. This Friday, they will graduate with doctorates in computer science and biology, respectively.



See UAB's newest building come together in time-lapse

From the demolition of the former Education Building to the completion of the South Science Hall and East Science Hall facilities, watch a two-year process that will culminate in a grand opening and ribbon cutting at 9 a.m. Aug. 17.

More news online

Get campus news at uab.edu/reporter and uab.edu/news. Check the Campus Calendar for more events on campus, and submit your own. If you have news you want to share, use the Request Publicity form online.

Things to know



Change your commute route Aug. 16-20 for student move-in

As students begin arriving on campus for the fall semester, UAB Transportation recommends traveling an alternative route to work during times when the most students will be moving into on-campus housing. This map will help you plan.



Internal review will select UAB proposals for state opioid settlement funds

A small group of proposals will be sent forward to the State of Alabama for funding consideration as part of a nearly \$249 million settlement. The proposal deadline for UAB's internal review process is Aug. 31. Learn more about eligibility, proposal content and more online.

Take advantage of laptop deals at TechConnect

Discounts for staff, faculty and students on new laptops are available now at UAB's on-campus tech store. Apple® and Dell are currently offering Back to School savings up to \$500 (Apple discounts are good through Oct. 2; Dell discounts are available through Jan. 28, 2024).

Sterne Starbucks returns Aug. 22

A grand reopening will be held 9 a.m.-2 p.m. for the coffee shop's location on the ground floor of Sterne Library.

Research & learning



UAB researchers identify immune cells playing critical role in Parkinson's disease

In a study published in Nature Communications, Ashley Harms, Ph.D., an associate professor in the Department of Neurology, and colleagues used a mouse model to show that border-associated macrophages — not microglia — mediate the inflammatory response in the brain that has previously been shown to exacerbate neurodegradation.



How kids can survive the ChatGPT invasion

The coach of the U.S. Olympic Math competition team, Professor Po-Shen Loh, will give a lecture and answer questions from students and their parents.

7 p.m. Aug. 12
Heritage Hall 106
Details online



Catch the second installment of new email series

Learn to create a task from an Outlook email in part 2 of this buzzy learning program that had 200-plus attendees for its first "episode."

11 a.m. Aug. 14
virtual
Details online



What everyone needs to know about estate planning

Nancy Ball, J.D., will discuss core documents and strategies to consider in this fourth event in the Bloom series from the Commission on the Status of Women.

11:30 a.m. Aug. 17
virtual
Register online

Register now for UAB Global Health Symposium

Hosted by the UAB Mary Heersink Institute for Global Health, this is a forum to discuss best practices for global health partnerships; promote multi-directional collaborations, and engage in dialogue and activities to strengthen partnerships.

Sept. 28-29
Hilton Birmingham at UAB
Register online

Faculty: Drive increased student engagement

This eLearning session covers setting up, moderating, evaluating, and encouraging student participation in your online course discussions with Harmonize.

11 a.m. Aug. 16
virtual
Register online

Faculty: Start the semester strong

This eLearning workshop covers course and institutional policies, mandatory and recommended syllabus components, student resources and more.

11 a.m. Aug. 17
virtual
Register online

Mechanisms controlling seizure risk through the day

A seminar from Vishnu Cuddapah, M.D., Ph.D., of Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, sponsored by the Department of Neurobiology.

1:30 p.m. Aug. 17
Bevill room 170
Register online

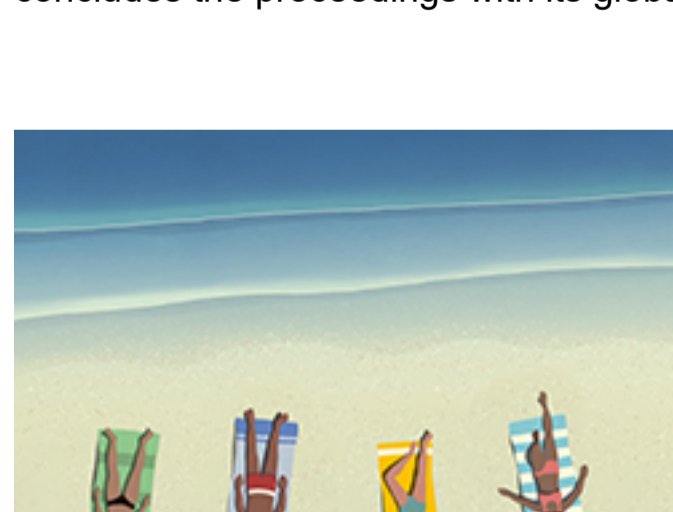
Mark your calendars



A free party Aug. 25 kicks off season of arts events

Enjoy activities indoors and outdoors in UAB's Cultural Corridor, including art exhibitions, artist talks, make-your-own art, food trucks, cash bars and more.

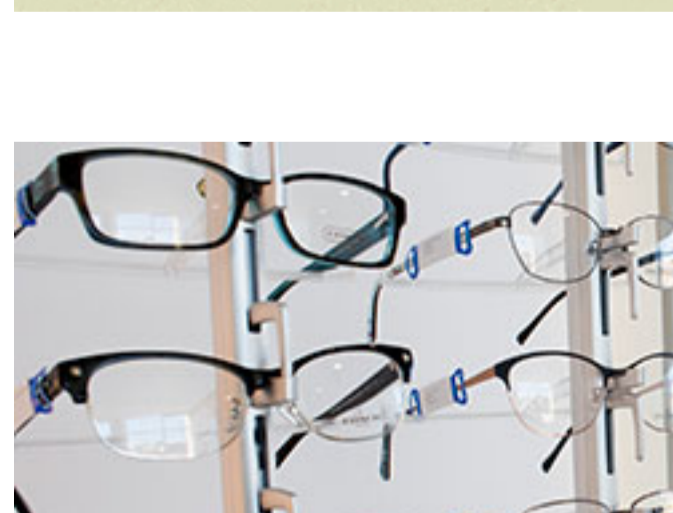
An opening reception for new shows by Michael Dixon and Jacqueline Surdell starts at 5 p.m. at AEIVA, with an artist gallery talk at AEIVA and outdoor fun at the Alys Stephens Center's Engel Plaza both scheduled for 6 p.m. Pioneering brass band Red Baraat concludes the proceedings with its global beat in a free concert at 7 p.m.



Self Care Studio: Accessing the Resources Within

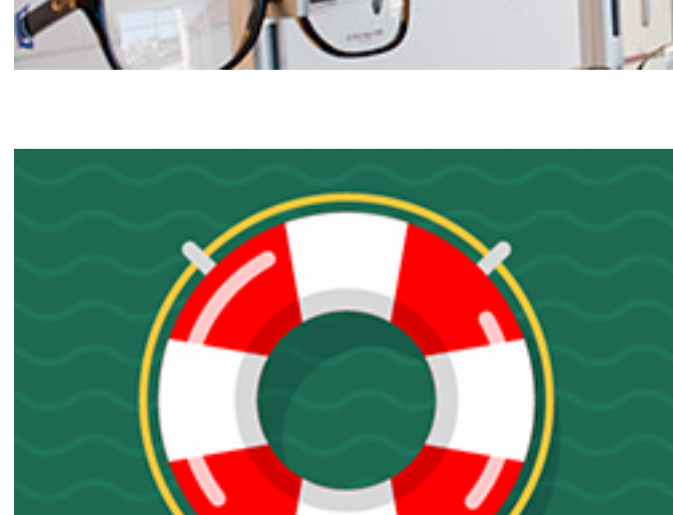
Identify life/people/activities that drain you, things that bring you joy and a clear next step to reset in this interactive workshop led by AIM Artist in Residence Cristal Brister.

noon Aug. 15
virtual
Register online



Save 50 percent on frames, lenses Aug. 16

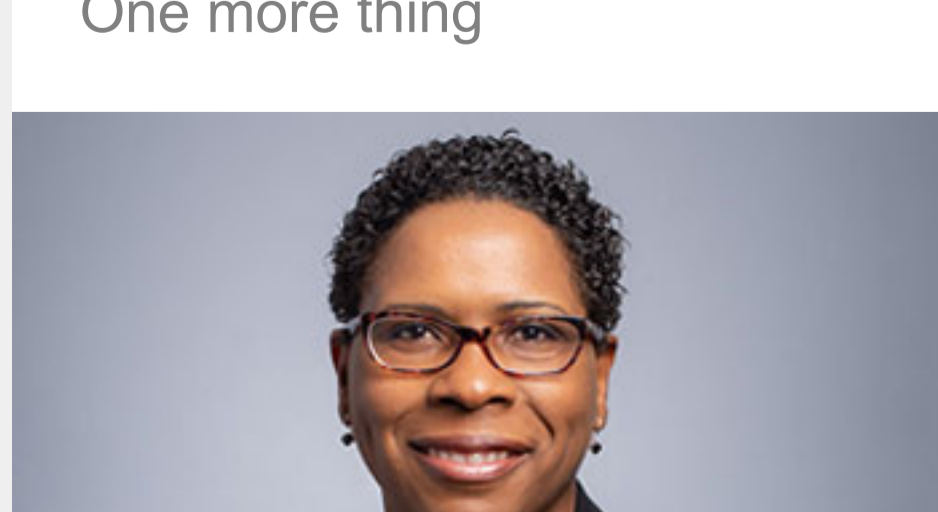
The UAB Eye Care Trunk Show, which runs from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., offers discounts on well-known brands, including Ray-Ban, Gucci and YSL. Payroll deduction is available to UAB employees.



Want to learn to swim? Take lessons with URec

University Recreation follows a Red Cross-based curriculum and hosts classes for ages 6 months to adults. Register now for session 1 running Sept. 9-Oct. 14 or session 2 running Oct. 21-Dec. 2. See a class schedule and pricing online.

One more thing



UAB neuroscientist is the subject of children's book

Michelle Gray, Ph.D., associate professor of neurology and Jarman F. Lowder Endowed Professor in neurology at the Heersink School of Medicine, is featured in a series highlighting accomplished scientists from underrepresented groups with ties to Alabama. Gray, a native of Hale County, says she finds both joy and meaning in her studies of Huntington's disease.

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