

UTSW, Children’s Health break ground on pediatric campus, boosted by 2nd \$100M gift

UT Southwestern and our longtime partner Children’s Health broke ground Tuesday on a \$5 billion pediatric campus to replace the existing Children’s Medical Center Dallas. The new campus across from UTSW’s William P. Clements Jr. University Hospital will span more than 4.7 million square feet, creating a one-of-a-kind hub for academic research, training, and the development of lifesaving technologies to improve patient care.

The hospital will feature two 12-story towers and one eight-story tower and will significantly expand inpatient, surgical, and ambulatory capacity to meet the needs of one of the fastest-growing and largest metropolitan areas in the country.

“This transformative project follows years of careful consideration and collaboration, and it positions us to more effectively meet the needs of our growing community and provide the best environment possible for the care of pediatric patients and support of their families,” said UTSW President **Daniel K. Podolsky, M.D.**

A \$100 million gift from The Rees-Jones Foundation to support construction of the campus marks the first time in Texas that a not-for-profit construction project has received two individual leadership gifts of \$100 million. A similar gift from the Jean and Mack Pogue family [was announced in May](#). The campus’ central hospital tower will be named Rees-Jones Tower.

[Read the news release](#)

Reminder about employee political activity

With election season in full swing, we want to remind you that employees may not use institutional time, funds, equipment, email, job titles, or other resources to influence the outcome of any election, to promote the passage or defeat of any legislative measure, or to participate in any political activity or campaign. According to UTSW policy, incidental use of UTSW resources to engage in political activity is not permissible.

Per [ADM-302](#), “When members of the UT Southwestern administration, faculty, staff, or student body are communicating personal opinions, testifying before government bodies, or participating in lobbying or other political activities as private citizens, it is essential that individuals avoid giving the impression that they are speaking for UT Southwestern.” For additional details, please see [ETH-101](#) and [ADM-302](#).

UTSW employees are free to speak as private individuals on their personal social media accounts. However, if social media activity disrupts the organization, impedes the performance of UTSW business or official duties, or negatively impacts the working or learning environment, it may violate UTSW policies. Please refer to [Guidelines for Maintaining Personal Social Media Sites](#) (on-campus network or VPN connection required).

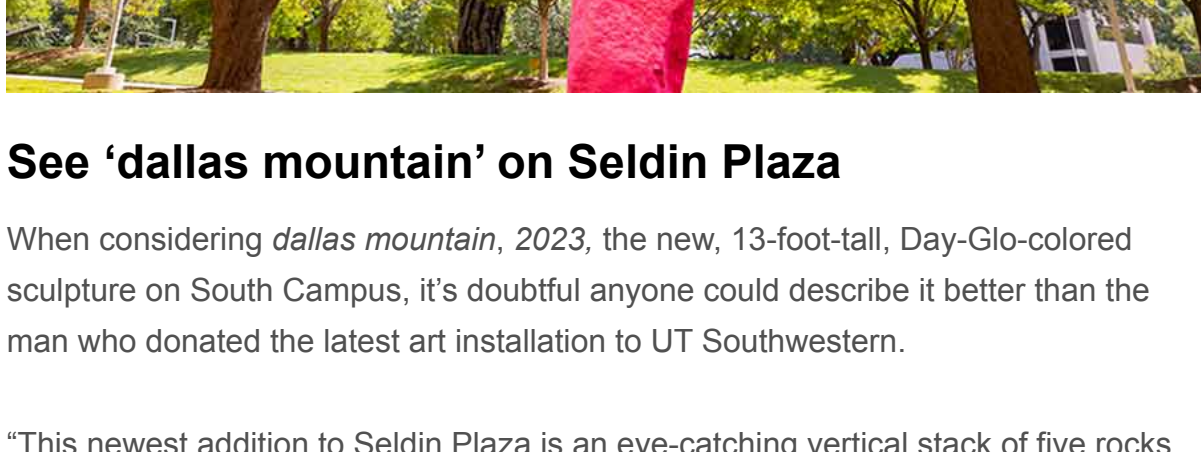
Further considerations are detailed on this post on [Campus Update](#), which also includes state laws and applicable links from the University of Texas System’s Board of Regents’ Rules and Regulations. If you have questions, please [email](#) the Office of Legal Affairs.

Breast Reconstruction Awareness (BRA) Day: Call for photos

Every October, people around the world unite to honor those battling breast cancer and celebrate the strength of survivors. In recognition of Breast Reconstruction Awareness (BRA) Day (Oct. 16), we’re shining a spotlight on the positive impact breast reconstruction plays in helping survivors feel more like themselves again.

We invite the UTSW community to get creative and submit photos of decorated bras to show their support.

Send photos of your submissions to social@utsouthwestern.edu and tag [@UTSWMedCenter](#) on Instagram and you may see your creations featured on our platforms and win UTSW merchandise.



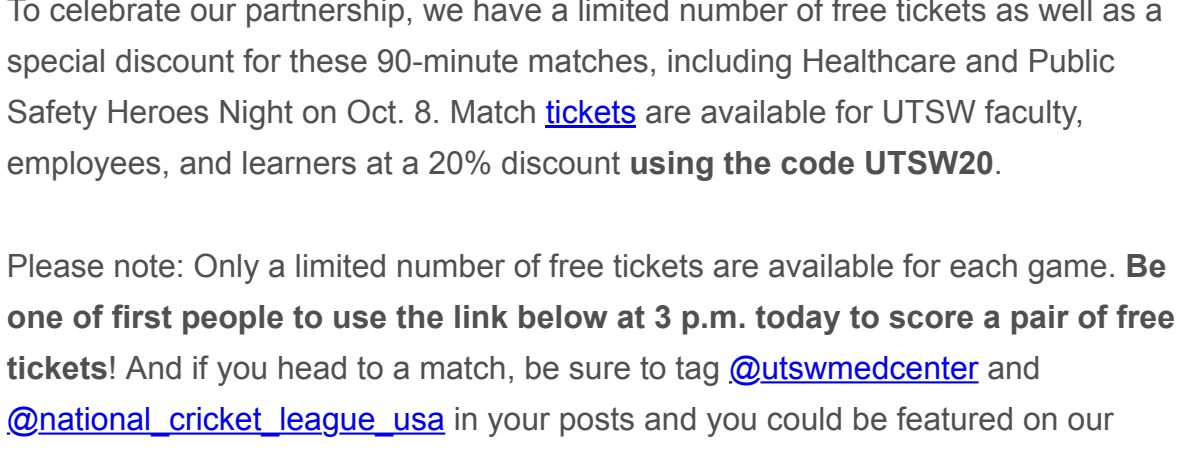
See ‘dallas mountain’ on Seldin Plaza

When considering *dallas mountain*, 2023, the new, 13-foot-tall, Day-Glo-colored sculpture on South Campus, it’s doubtful anyone could describe it better than the man who donated the latest art installation to UT Southwestern.

“This newest addition to Seldin Plaza is an eye-catching vertical stack of five rocks, each with a different shape and weight and each with a different bold color ranging from bright yellow to deep blue,” said UT Southwestern Nobel Laureate **Joseph L. Goldstein, M.D.**, Chair of Molecular Genetics. “The vibrantly colored rocks seem to defy gravity, appearing stable yet on the verge of collapse, which leaves the viewer entranced with a new way to look at the world.”

The piece was created by internationally renowned Swiss artist Ugo Rondinone, and each stone is a different type of marble or granite, painted with a proprietary mix of brightly hued automotive paint and sealed to minimize color fading.

Read more about *dallas mountain* on [Center Times Plus](#).



National Cricket League comes to Dallas: Score discounted tickets today

The National Cricket League (NCL) is coming to town and UT Southwestern is proud to be its Official Health Care Partner! UT Dallas will host NCL USA’s inaugural Sixty Strikes Tournament Oct. 4-14.

To celebrate our partnership, we have a limited number of free tickets as well as a special discount for these 90-minute matches, including Healthcare and Public Safety Heroes Night on Oct. 8. Match [tickets](#) are available for UTSW faculty, employees, and learners at a 20% discount **using the code UTSW20**.

Please note: Only a limited number of free tickets are available for each game. **Be one of first people to use the link below at 3 p.m. today to score a pair of free tickets!** And if you head to a match, be sure to tag [@utswhmedcenter](#) and [@national_cricket_league_usa](#) in your posts and you could be featured on our social media accounts!

[Free ticket opportunity](#)



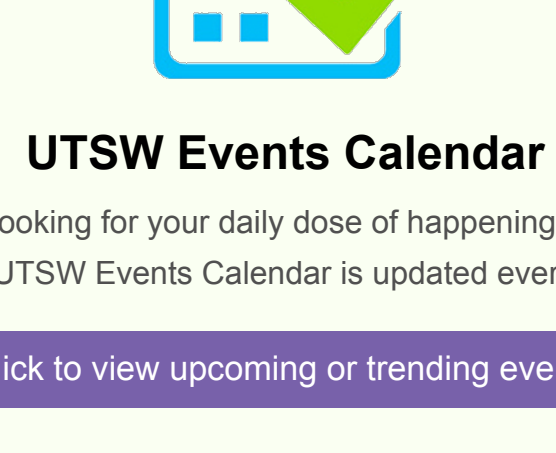
Photos: You stepped up at the Dallas Heart Walk!

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Dallas Heart Walk on Saturday, Sept. 21. The event drew more than 2,600 registered walkers and nearly 180 teams representing UT Southwestern. We were thrilled to see the spirit of our campus community manifested in all the UTSW blue Heart Walk T-shirts, ball caps, visors, and more. Together, our teams raised more \$41,000 for the American Heart Association. And, this just in: We have learned that UT Southwestern had the highest number of walkers of all participating companies at this year’s event!

Check out the photo gallery on [Center Times Plus](#) to see some familiar faces and relive this inspirational morning!

[Heart Walk gallery](#)

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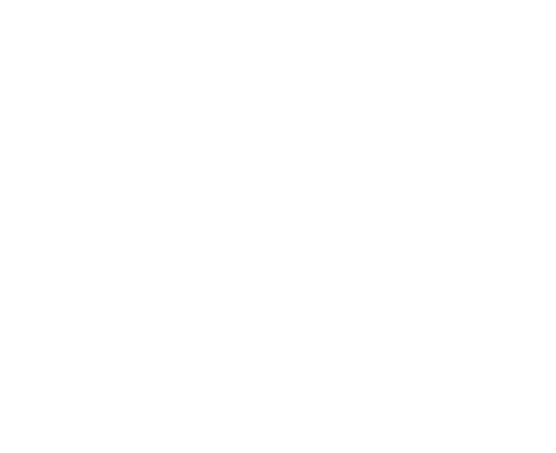


State Employee Charitable Campaign Pop-up

11 a.m.-noon, Oct. 3
Moncrief Cancer Institute

Join SECC representatives at this pop-up event and help make a profound impact on the lives of those in need by participating in the campaign, now through Oct. 31. You’ll be able to get help with making your donation, enjoy treats, and collect some swag!

[Details](#)



Fiesta on the Plaza

11 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Oct. 9
McDermott Plaza, South Campus

In celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month, you’re invited to Fiesta on the Plaza, featuring light bites from Hispanic countries, cultural art displays, and musical performances by Mariachi Arraigo de America and professional salsa dancer Amanda Cristina. The event is sponsored by the Office for Institutional Opportunity. No registration is needed.

[Details](#)



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