

SDM Shout Out

Weekly News Updates for SDM Faculty, Staff and Students

Match Day for the Class of 2022



Megan Leun, '22 and Ethan Barkin, '22 celebrate 2022 Match Day at a luncheon sponsored by the Office of Student Affairs

This year's Match Day marked a wonderful day of celebration for the Class of 2022. SDM students will head out across the country to advanced education programs from San Diego, CA to New York, NY and areas in between.

"The tremendous success achieved by the class of 2022 continues a tradition of UB students securing residency and specialty programs ranked as their first or second choice" says Dr. Mary Bush, Associate Dean for Student Affairs. "The strength of our program and its students is reflected in this impressive accomplishment and I am proud of the overall excellence our students bring to the profession. Congratulations to all!"

"What a wonderful group of bright, talented, and enthusiastic soon-to-be dentists!" remarked Dr. Stefan Ruhl, Interim Dean, School of Dental Medicine. "Our school can be extremely proud about how many of our

students were accepted to their first-choice residency programs in New York State and across the country."

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The 2022 BOCA Gala is Coming Soon

SAVE THE DATE!

2022 BOCA GALA

Night at the Casino

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 26TH, 2022
HOTEL LAFAYETTE
6-11 PM AT 391 WASHINGTON

\$25 students, \$45 non-students
Guests receive ONE free drink!
Cash Bar, Buffet Dinner
Live & Silent Auction, 50/50

Buffalo Outreach and Community Assistance (BOCA) is thrilled to announce that the annual BOCA Gala & Auction will be taking place this year on Saturday, February 26th from 6-11pm at The Hotel Lafayette (391 Washington St, Buffalo, NY 14203). This year the theme of the BOCA Gala will be "Night at the Casino"! Tickets to the event will be going on sale soon, so keep an eye on your email for more information on when that will be. Tickets for students are \$25 and non-students (faculty & guests) are \$45. The BOCA Gala is a fantastic time for students and faculty to get together to raise money for and celebrate the amazing events that BOCA hosts throughout the year.

BOCA's mission is to promote dental education, provide free dental care, and improve the quality of life for people around the world. We do an incredible amount of local outreach, like packaging meals and distributing oral health care products to individuals in the Buffalo community. We also establish free dental clinics across the country and abroad. During these missions, our patients receive cleanings, restorative work, sealants, extractions, and dental education FREE OF CHARGE.

The BOCA Gala will be a night filled with a variety of fun raffles as well as both a silent and live auction. During the cocktail hour, the silent auction and raffles will take place and all guests will receive a FREE drink ticket.

Later, we'll move into the ballroom for a buffet dinner and the main event - the LIVE AUCTION! We'll finish the night with music and dancing to celebrate everyone's contributions to BOCA's mission of providing free oral healthcare to underserved communities.

This year the money raised at the auction will be used to purchase dental supplies and equipment, and cover other operating costs assumed by student volunteers. We owe a lot of our ability to provide such services to the generous donations made by the UBSDM family and the greater Buffalo community. If you are interested in making a donation or sponsoring the event, please contact us at the email listed below. Any contribution you can make is greatly appreciated!

We are looking forward to celebrating BOCA's achievements with you this year! Any questions or donation/sponsorship inquiries can be submitted via email to bocafundraising@gmail.com.

BOCA Fundraising Chairs: Shane Endres, '23, Victoria Olsen, '23, Alexandria Hensler, '23
BOCA Fundraising Chair-Elects: Claire Prunier, '24, Chris Lepore, '24, Caitlyn Murray, '24

If you have any news you would like to share, please contact Kelli at natale@buffalo.edu.

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