

RFUF SPEAKERS BUREAU SCHEDULE: Fall Semester 2023

Samuel P. Harn Museum of Art, UF campus (with the exceptions of September 20 at Oak Hammock and November 8 at the Santa Fe College Teaching Zoo)

- September 6 **Ben Sasse**, President of the University of Florida:
"UF: Big Challenges, Bigger Opportunities"
- September 13 **Amy J Williams**, Assistant Professor, UF Department of Geological Sciences:
"The Curiosity to Explore and the Perseverance to Rove: A Decade of Discoveries on Mars"
- September 20 **Annual Fall Luncheon Meeting at Oak Hammock**
Maestro Evans Haile, Musical Director and Conductor, The Gainesville Orchestra: *"Musical Droppings...a few thoughts on connecting the dots, the Arts, and late nights on a bike"*
- September 27 **Norman Thagard**, former NASA Space Shuttle astronaut and current Professor, FSU College of Engineering: *"My Life in Space"*
- October 4 **Kaitlyn Hof-Mahoney**, Executive Director, Matheson History Museum:
"Gainesville and Alachua County: From Frontier to Mid-Century"
- October 11 **Sean Adams**, Professor, UF Department of History: *"Business History is Your History: The Inquire Capitalism Program at UF."*
- October 18 **Stephanie Lyng**, Artistic Director, Hippodrome Theater: *"Spotlight on Hippodrome's New Season and Navigating Post-Pandemic Challenges of North Central Florida's Premier Professional Regional Theatre"*
- October 25 **Michael Okun**, Professor and Executive Director, UF Health Norman Fixel Institute for Neurological Diseases: *"Ending Parkinson's Disease"*
- November 1 **Mary Wise**, Head Coach, UF Women's Volleyball:
"Gator Volleyball: How it Started...How it's Going"
- November 8 **Jon Miot**, Professor and Director, Santa Fe College Teaching Zoo: *"Santa Fe College Teaching Zoo: Community connections to a world of conservation"*
NB: Meet at the Teaching Zoo for talk and guided tour
- November 15 **Bahar Armaghani**, Associate Professor and Director, UF Green Building Learning Collaborative: *"A post-Covid focus on sustainability with regard to human health and well-being"*
- November 29 **Desmon Duncan-Walker**, Gainesville Mayor Pro-Tem and City Commissioner, District I: *"TBA"*
- December 6 **Carol Lewis**, Associate Professor, UF Department of Psychiatry:
"The Art and Science of Mindfulness"