



Innovation Hub Live: Explore what's possible

You're invited to step inside UT Southwestern's engine for discovery and innovation on Thursday, **May 7**, and see how ideas move from concept to impact.

Hear from UTSW leadership and experts about why the Innovation Hub is a strategic priority for our institution, how it supports clinicians and scientists across campus, and how its Discovery Information Management System (DIMS) – a UTSW platform built specifically for you – helps move your ideas forward with greater structure, visibility, and momentum.

Enjoy lunch and a live demonstration of the DIMS platform and learn how the Innovation Hub team can support your ideas.

Event details:

- 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., May 7
- Eugene McDermott Lecture Halls (D1.700)
- Livestream option available
- Registration required

[Secure your spot for Innovation Hub Live](#)

Meet the minds behind UT Southwestern's discoveries

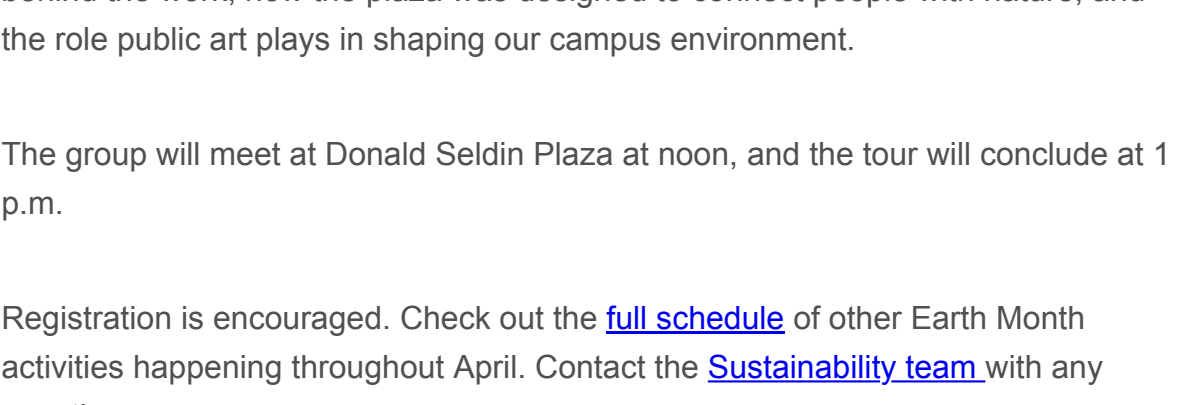
Ever wondered what a day in the lab really looks like? Step inside UT Southwestern's research laboratories, where curiosity, collaboration, and cutting-edge science come together to drive innovation in medicine.

From early-morning experiments to late-night data analysis, these behind-the-scenes moments reveal what fuels our researchers as they work to answer some of science's biggest questions. It's demanding, meticulous work – and for many, deeply inspiring.

"Being a scientist is really a privileged position," said **Prashant Mishra, M.D., Ph.D.**, Associate Professor in Children's Medical Center Research Institute at UT Southwestern. "When we learn something new, there are these moments in time where we're the only person in the world to know about that until we've disseminated that information. And these little moments are really inspiring for me and people in my lab because it is those moments that really drive advances in technology and health care."

Meet the innovators behind the breakthroughs and experience the energy and dedication that power discovery at UT Southwestern.

[Get to know our scientists](#)



Earth Month: A guided art and landscape tour of Seldin Plaza

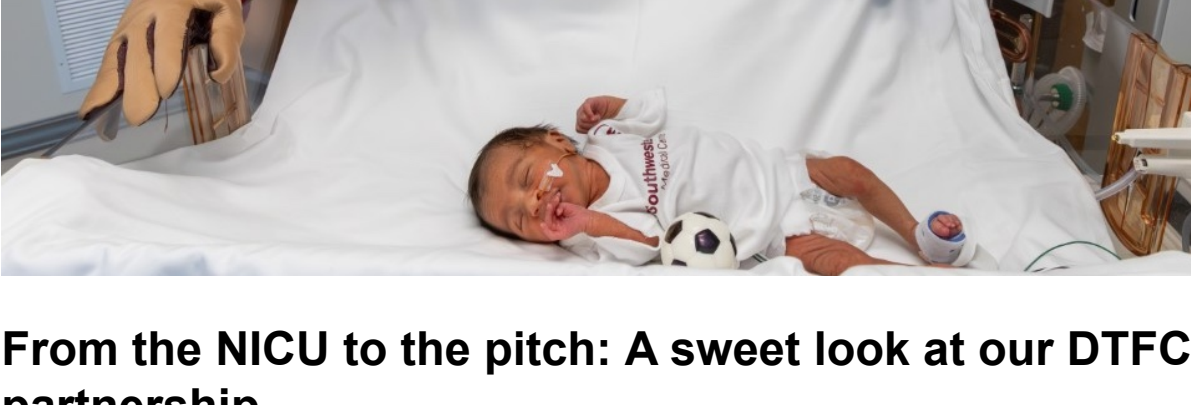
Experience campus in a new way this Earth Month during a guided art and landscape tour of Donald Seldin Plaza on Wednesday, **April 29**.

Led by **Courtney Crothers**, Art Curator and Director, Office of Campus Life, this relaxed midday walk will showcase the outdoor sculptures and thoughtfully designed landscape that make Seldin Plaza a unique gathering place. Learn about the artists behind the work, how the plaza was designed to connect people with nature, and the role public art plays in shaping our campus environment.

The group will meet at Donald Seldin Plaza at noon, and the tour will conclude at 1 p.m.

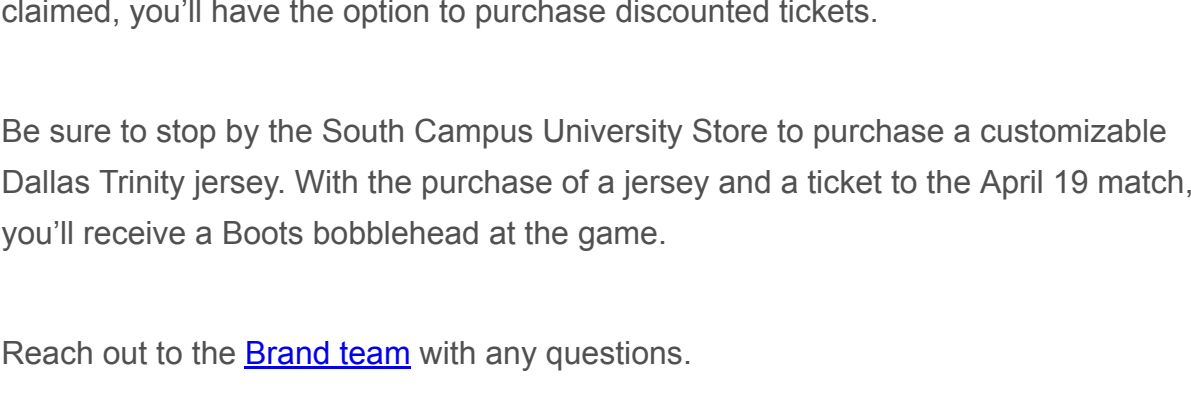
Registration is encouraged. Check out the [full schedule](#) of other Earth Month activities happening throughout April. Contact the [Sustainability team](#) with any questions.

[Explore art outdoors](#)



Coming Monday – a special World Cup opportunity

Soccer fans, take note: Monday's *UTSW Insider* will include details on a limited ticket purchase opportunity tied to the 2026 FIFA World Cup in Dallas. Keep an eye out for the full item in the April 20 issue, which should hit your inbox around 7 a.m.



From the NICU to the pitch: A sweet look at our DTFC partnership

You may have seen this in *Insider* last week, but there's a new reason to take a second look. We previously mentioned the special rodeo-themed birthday honoring Dallas Trinity FC (DTFC) mascot Boots on **April 19** at the Cotton Bowl, when DTFC takes on the Carolina Ascent.

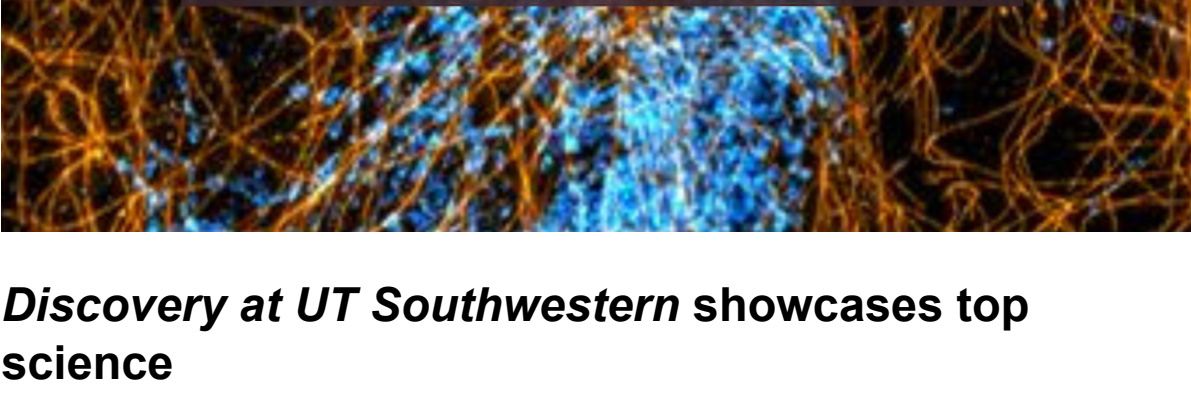
Through our brand partnership, UTSW and Boots recently teamed up for a photo shoot in our Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU), featuring our babies wearing DTFC jerseys. This visit reflects the special connection between our institution and the Dallas sports community. You can check out the photos on [UTSW's Instagram](#) account.

The ticket opportunity includes access to a lively fan zone and mascot appearances from across the DFW area, making it a fun and festive way to spend the evening together. Use the form below to request up to six tickets. Once the free tickets are claimed, you'll have the option to purchase discounted tickets.

Be sure to stop by the South Campus University Store to purchase a customizable Dallas Trinity jersey. With the purchase of a jersey and a ticket to the April 19 match, you'll receive a Boots bobblehead at the game.

Reach out to the [Brand team](#) with any questions.

[Grab your free tickets](#)



Discover your genetics and help advance research at UTSW

Do you want to learn more about your ancestry and receive medically meaningful genetic information? Our researchers are looking for faculty and staff volunteers to donate a blood sample and be part of building one of the largest and most comprehensive biobanks in the country – right here at UT Southwestern.

The Sequencing Populations to Accelerate Research and Care (SPARC) program aims to identify genetic drivers of disease and develop strategies to improve screening, prevention, and care for patients and their families.

Participation is as easy as giving a blood sample. With this information, investigators could uncover new insights, develop better treatments, and translate discoveries into real-world impacts.

If you are interested in participating in the study, please complete the [interest form](#).

For additional questions, please review the FAQ page or contact us at sparc@utsouthwestern.edu.

[Learn more about SPARC](#)

On-campus network or VPN connection required



Discovery at UT Southwestern showcases top science

From drug development to artificial intelligence to postpartum care, the latest edition of *Discovery at UT Southwestern* captures the breadth of research underway across our institution.

This year's scientific report highlights how these discoveries are advancing biomedical science and clinical research – and how they translate into new approaches to education, patient care, and treatment.

It also explores the work of faculty members who are pushing the boundaries of what is known and inspiring what can be.

[Dive into the full report](#)

Innovation in action: SIM Forum next week

Built around a shared interest in simulation-based learning, innovation, and collaboration, the Charles Morris Ginsburg Simulation-Based Quality Improvement and Research Forum will take place Wednesday, **April 22**.

This year, the UT Southwestern Simulation Center is partnering with the Southwestern Academy of Teachers (SWAT) for a hybrid, daylong event that brings together students, trainees, faculty, and health care professionals from across campus.

Attendees will explore poster and oral presentations, connect across disciplines, and hear from keynote speaker **Laurah Turner, Ph.D.**, Associate Dean for Artificial Intelligence and Educational Informatics and Associate Professor at the University of Cincinnati College of Medicine.

Whether you're presenting or attending, you'll have the opportunity to learn, collaborate, and engage with a community advancing simulation-based education, research, and patient care.

[SIM registration](#)

Insider Guide

President's Lecture Series

4 p.m., April 16 | Tom and Lula Gooch Auditorium

The entire campus community is invited to hear **Deborah Farr, M.D.**, Associate Professor of Surgery, Division of Surgical Oncology, and **Heather McArthur, M.D., M.P.H.**, Clinical Director of the Breast Cancer Program, Simmons Cancer Center, present "Innovations in Breast Cancer Care: Advancing the Future of Medicine and Surgery, Today." Reception to follow.

[Get the details](#)

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