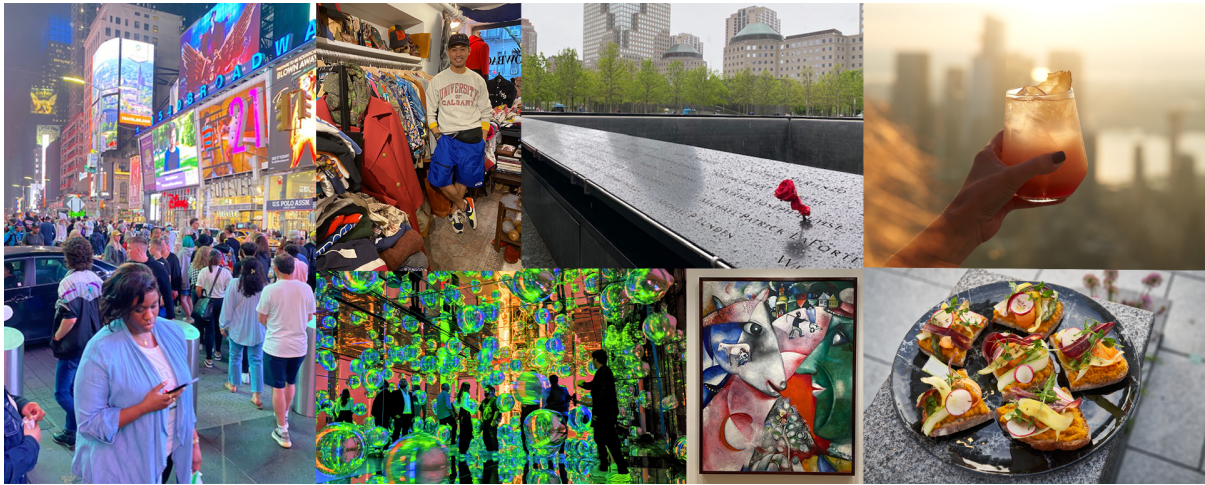


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AlumniNews

A monthly newsletter for UCalgary alumni and friends



Top Tips from New York Locals and Your Erstwhile Travel Writer

Note: With Convocation 2022 behind us, campus is quiet — precisely why you won't hear from us until August. Until then, enjoy this month's theme — the return of travel. As the world rebounds, this is the season to nab a seat sale or fill up your tank and take back what the pandemic has robbed from us. Whether you opt for a big bucket-list trip (see our feature story on NYC) or poke around the new attractions in our own backyard (scroll down to a piece on Kananaskis and Banff), travellers are eager to swan dive into the sights, bites and sounds of somewhere, *anywhere*, different.

NYC Returns!

Alumni Exclusives



Walk this Way . . . In and Around the Rockies

Complicated by COVID-19, the paradox of modern tourism is that sites and areas have to be protected and promoted at the same time. Here's what's new this summer at hotspots in Calgary and the nearby Rockies that are striving to find that balance.

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How Associate Film Producer Kenya-Jade Pinto is Marrying Skills with Interests

One of the crew behind the searingly poignant film, *Scarborough*, is associate producer Kenya-Jade Pinto, BA'13, who has never strayed from the issues that matter most to her: systemic inequities, access to justice and what we owe each other.



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Congratulations, Class of 2022

The energy and euphoria literally crackled as the class of 2022 recently crossed the stage at Jack Simpson Gym. Here we spotlight just a few of the 3,500 graduates . . . for their grace, grit and entrepreneurial chutzpah.

[Welcome New Alumni](#)

What's on Deck?



Stay in Touch to Win Big

Are you a UCalgary grad? Update your contact information and you could win a gift card to Kananaskis Nordic Spa, WinSport or the CookBook Co. Cooks.

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Become a Stampede Volunteer

Cowboy-ed up with nowhere to go? You can change that by joining UCalgary's Stampede Parade float. We are looking for 25 rootin' tootin' volunteers.

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Campfire Chats

Honouring National Indigenous Peoples Day, UCalgary presents Campfire Chats. On June 21, join Indigenous leaders and allies who will discuss the Buffalo Treaty.

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University News

UCalgary Receives \$23M for Quantum City Technology Hub

"With Quantum City, we're starting something big," says President Ed McCauley. "This science will change everything. From nanotechnology and artificial intelligence — to quantum internet and biomedical engineering — UCalgary is establishing our city as a global leader in the quantum revolution."

[Discover More](#)

World Travels and Life on a Reserve Helped Shape this Indigenous Architect

Prior to enrolling in architecture school, Dalla Costa backpacked around the world for seven years — visiting some 40 countries, while working odd jobs and surviving on a shoestring budget. Along the way, she found people holding on to their cultural traditions through cherished spaces — spaces that connected them to their values and life ways. She became enamoured and inspired by curves, architecture made of bamboo and boulders, expressive roof lines and underground caves. These influences as well as a happy childhood spent on a reservation became, and remain, immense influences in Costa's current award-winning designs.

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Kris Demeanor on Finding Peace in Chaos

In a worrisome world that keeps us up at night, the singer-songwriter makes his own kind of music.

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Gender-affirming Facial Surgeries

The face. It's how other people see us and how we identify ourselves. But what if the face one sees in the mirror no longer matches who they are on the inside? This is exactly the dilemma faced by many transgender individuals as they complete their transition, which can include gender-affirming facial surgeries. UCalgary researchers are investigating the need for this type of surgery.

Upcoming Events and Programs

June 15-July 29 | Nickle Galleries: The World We're Living In

June 1-30 | Indigenous History Month

June 20 | Design your Future: Exploring Pathways to Grad School

June 21 | Campfire Chats: Buffalo Treaty

June 24 | Alumni Career Connect Q&A

June 24 | Great Outdoors Comedy Festival

June 22-26 | Sled Island Music & Arts Fest



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