CU Innovation & Entrepreneurship Showcase part of Colorado Startup Week[1]
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Following its successful debut last year, CU's Innovation & Entrepreneurship Showcase[3] returns Sept. 15 as part of Colorado Startup Week[4] in downtown Denver. The shift helps signify the power of CU's innovation engine, which continues to drive change and impact across the state and nation.

This year's showcase includes Inspiration Hall, an expo with more than 60 innovators, entrepreneurs and industry leaders displaying and demonstrating their work; and a keynote session featuring world-class innovators sharing their experiences.

Speakers include Matt Ridenour, head of U.S. accelerator and startup ecosystems for Google; Thomas "Detour" Evans, a CU Denver alum and internationally recognized artist; Maithreyi Gopalakrishnan, a CU Boulder alum and founder of PrecisionTerra, a GPS-focused, deep-tech spinout; Rafael de la Vega, a UCCS alum and the co-founder and CEO of Salt Athletic, which created a patented, smell?proof Cleat Bag; and Vik Bebarta, CU School of Medicine professor, decorated U.S. Air Force colonel and the founding director of CU's Center for Combat Medicine and Battlefield Research.

The showcase is a product of the President's Innovation & Entrepreneurship Initiative[5], an effort to leverage work happening systemwide in innovation and entrepreneurship, research, immersive education, and private and public collaborations, and to generate substantial real-world impact.

"CU's longstanding leadership in innovation is marked by groundbreaking solutions and advances in health, climate, education, technology and lifestyle, among other areas affecting our daily lives," said CU President Todd Saliman. "To be able to see so many of our remarkable community members together in one space at the showcase and experience their work firsthand reaffirms that the university is not merely preparing our students for the future, we're shaping the future."

For more information about the CU Innovation & Entrepreneurship Showcase, and to register to attend the event, click here[3].

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Faculty Council pursuing representation on systemwide sustainability committee[8]

Leaders in faculty and administration are working toward the addition of faculty representation on the university's systemwide Sustainability Steering Committee[9], a group tasked with identifying and pursuing opportunities for sustainability collaboration across CU.

Earlier this year, Faculty Council began discussing[10] the possibility of establishing an ad hoc committee on sustainability. During the council's Aug. 28 meeting, held remotely, Chair Jorge Chavez said it's possible instead that members from the campus faculty assemblies could serve as representatives on the existing administration committee.

"I think that this makes a lot of sense, at least for a trial period," said council member David Paradis, who previously co-

chaired the CU Boulder Faculty Assembly's (BFA) Climate Science and Education Committee[11]. "Then we'll see if there's a need for a separate Faculty Council committee."

Last week's meeting was the first of the academic year, and the first led by Chavez in his role as Faculty Council chair. Among the topics discussed was faculty members seeking expressions of support for academic freedom in their teaching and research roles.

"Given the current climate, it's understandable that there are concerns about academic freedom across our campuses," said Chavez, who noted he'd recently discussed the topic with President Todd Saliman. "I will continue to advocate on our behalf. As you see things happen on your campuses, please raise them to me so I can raise them to the president."

The next Faculty Council meeting is scheduled for Sept. 25. Chavez said the meeting might be held in person with a hybrid option, rather than a remote-only meeting. Meetings were held at 1800 Grant St. until 2020, when the pandemic initiated a shift to meetings via Zoom.

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