KNOWLEDGE

Apprenticeships…cooperative education…medical residencies…each have grown from the essence of our civilization’s educational process: learning directly from the men and women who are at the forefront of their profession—

- a lifetime of knowledge, experience and wisdom
- blazed trails and broken barriers
- success

WISDOM

Realizing that a world-class education incorporates extensive experiential learning opportunities as well as rigorous academic preparation, UC alumnus and benefactor James Kautz and the University of Cincinnati teamed to create a unique educational experience—the Alumni Masters Forum—that aims to take advantage of the wealth of knowledge and wisdom within UC’s dynamic alumni body.

VISION

Kautz Alumni Masters are UC graduates—leaders in business and industry, in education, medicine and the arts—who have set new standards of accomplishment by which others measure themselves.
Now in its 14th year, the Kautz Alumni Masters Forum has brought nearly 50 distinguished alumni from various professions back to campus to meet and interact with today’s students and tomorrow’s leaders.

These individuals include CEO’s, world-renowned architects, designers and performers, entrepreneurs, innovators and educators, as well as judges, writers and engineers who have reached the upper strata of professional achievement.

For each of them, the education they received from the University of Cincinnati was the foundation of their success.

Through the Kautz Alumni Masters Forum, alumni interact and connect with current students—young men and women at the beginning of their journeys—demonstrating their UC education can be the path to success. The program provides a personal forum for alumni to share meaningful experiences and hard-earned insights gained from years of personal and professional growth.

Kautz Alumni Masters return to campus throughout the academic year, visiting with students who share their career goals and areas of interest.

During their visit, these Masters may participate in:

- Small discussion groups with students and faculty
- Class presentations with the opportunity for open, informal dialogue
- Lunch and dinner gatherings
- Visits to colleges or departments where an Alumni Master has a specific interest

The forum is mutually beneficial. Students are enlightened by the perspective and advice of the Master who, in turn, is reconnected with their alma mater and invigorated by the interactions during their visit. The forum also provides recognition for some of UC’s most prominent alumni while motivating today’s students to reach an even higher level of greatness in their own careers.
These distinguished UC graduates have served as Kautz Alumni Masters:

**2012**

**Shari Barkin**  
*Medicine, 1991*  
Pioneering meaningful interventions for children

**Charles J. Barnett**  
*MA, History, 1971*  
Compassionate healthcare leadership

**Phillip Holloman**  
*BSCE, Civil Engineering, 1978*  
COO

**James R. Newton**  
*MSW, Counseling/Psychology, 1978*  
Professional Counselor, Police Officer, and CEO

**Captain Joel Roos**  
*Medicine, 1989*  
Emergency Medicine Expert, Researcher & Leader

**Reginald Wilkinson**  
*PhD Education, CECH, 1998*  
Unparalleled Experience, Distinguished Service

**2010**

**Joseph P. Adams**  
*Mechanical Engineering, 1979*  
Versatility, perspective and experience

**Drew Becher**  
*Urban Planning, 1993*  
Greening America’s biggest cities

**David Heiman**  
*Accounting, 1967*  
Law, 1970  
Bankruptcy law leader

**2009**

**Alan R. Badanes**  
*History, 1979*  
Reinsurance industry specialist

**Kathryn A. Hollister**  
*Law, 1984*  
Extraordinary leadership in tax law industry

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2008
Susan S. Alexander
MBA, Management, 1977
Crisis Management

The Honorable
Stephen M. McNamee
History, 1964
United States Senior District Court judge

Kevin R. Roche
Interior Design, 1975
Innovator in marketing, branding and design

Richard E. Thornburgh
Finance, 1974
HON, 2009
Global banking and financial services

2006
C. Mack
Broadcasting, 1982
Overcoming challenges in the nation’s leading businesses and banks

Sandra S. Wiesmann
Secondary Education, 1966
Making a difference in education, nationwide

William P. Wiesmann, MD
Chemistry, 1968
HON, 2008
Inventor of life-saving products

2005
Earl H. Hamner
Broadcasting, 1948
HON, 2008
Visionary entertainment writer

James C. Kautz
Political Science, 1953
HON, 1995
Worldwide portfolio management

Eva L. Maddox
Interior Design, 1966
HON, 2006
Designing a better world

2004
Otto M. Budig, Jr.
Accounting, 1956
HON, 2009
Visionary developer of road and rail transport

Theodore S. Hammer
Architecture, 1969
Leader in the architecture industry

Paul W. Marshall
Electrical Engineering, 1964
Multilayered career focused on getting and using information

2003
Joseph W. Harbrecht
Marketing, 1967
Communicating in a competitive world

Frank T. Leo
Architecture, 1962
Designing total living environments

Steven M. Ruben
MS Biological Sciences, 1986; PhD Molecular & Cell Biology, 1989
Therapies for a healthier life

Edward W. Wedbush
Electrical Engineering, 1955; HON, 2000
Entrepreneurial investor

2002
A. William Forbriger
Chemical Engineering, 1953
Engineering a beautiful world

Fred F. Nazem
MS Physical Chemistry, 1967
Entrepreneur, venture capitalist and architect

S. Jay Stewart
Chemical Engineering, 1961
Engineering a safer world

2001
Thomas L. Bennett
Chemistry, 1969
MBA Finance, 1974
Manager of international investments

Michael J. Despotes
Economics, 1974
Leading in a global, high-tech marketplace

Kenneth E. Glass
Mechanical Engineering, 1963; MS Aerospace Engineering, 1965
Crisis management leader

Jerry P. Leamon
Accounting, 1972
Global leader building world-class financial services

2000
Elroy E. Bourgraf
Business Administration, 1954
Innovator in emergency patient handling

J. Gregory Dees
Philosophy, 1972
Social entrepreneurship

Brigman “Brig” Owens
Education, 1965
HON, 2008
Professional athlete and youth advocate
Craig H. Muhlhauser  
Aerospace Engineering, 1971; MS Mechanical Engineering, 1975  
Visionary sales leader and global marketing authority

Richard M. Schaps  
Marketing, 1970  
Leader in outdoor and sports signage

Dorothy L. Smith  
PharmD Pharmacy, 1972  
Patient advocate and author

Jeffrey P. Williams  
Architecture, 1975  
HON, 2009  
Financial advisor to the world’s largest corporations

Hendrik “Henk” J. Hartong, Jr.  
Economics, 1962  
Entrepreneur and manager of international investment partnerships

Colombe M. Nicholas  
Law, 1968  
Director and manager of international fashion businesses

Myron E. Ullman III  
Industrial Management, 1969; HON 2006  
Global business acumen in a competitive world

2000

August “Gus” B. Doppes, Jr.  
Business Administration, 1970  
Entrepreneur, pilot, developer and master salesman

1999

Edgar H. Schollmaier  
Economics, 1956  
Innovation leader in sales and marketing

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