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JOIN US FOR TRICK-OR-TREATING NEXT WEEK!



Hard to boo-lieve it's that time of year already, but we will again be hosting a trick-or-

treating event in Dow next **Thursday, Oct. 31** from 10:00-3:30 p.m. Candy and treat stations will be set up at staff offices around the department, plus we will be offering cider and doughnuts in the MSE Main Office. A final list of participating offices will be emailed out to everyone next week. Costumes encouraged!

Events look-back

TRESA POLLOCK RETURNS TO U-M TO HEADLINE 2024 VAN VLACK LECTURESHIP



Tresa Pollock, a former U-M faculty member now at UCSB, returned to campus on October 10 & 11 to serve as our 2024 Van Vlack Lecturer. While on campus she delivered two lectures that you can (re)watch: "[Reaching for the Sky - Materials in Extreme Environments](#)" and "[Structure and Defect Development during Metal Additive Manufacturing: Insights from TriBeam Tomography](#)." Click [here](#) to see photos of her visit.

Upcoming department events

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TRICK-OR-TREATING IN MSE

All are welcome to trick or treat around the department. Cider and doughnuts will also be offered in the MSE Main Office. Costumes encouraged! More details coming soon.

Date: Thursday, Oct. 31

Time: 10:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Where: Offices around Dow/MSE Main Office (3074A)

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TIME CHANGE!

Time to fall back! Set your clocks back an hour next Saturday night and enjoy the extra hour of sleep:-)zzzz

Date: Sunday, November 3

Time: 2:00 a.m.

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CALENDAR CONTEST IMAGE SUBMISSION DEADLINE

Images for our 2025 Calendar Contest are due at 11:59 p.m. Submit images and relevant information [here](#). Remember, for every image selected, you

will earn \$200!

Date: Friday, November 8

Time: 11:59 p.m.

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PHD APPLICATION WEBINAR

If you're planning to apply for a PhD in MSE, you're invited to learn more about the application process at a webinar on Nov. 14. The schedule will be:

- U-M MSE program overview (2:30-3:30),
- student panel (3:30-4:30), and
- breakout session for one-on-one peer mentoring (4:30-5:30)

[REGISTER HERE](#)

Date: Thursday, November 14

Time: 2:30-5:30 p.m.

Special Announcements

ELECTION 2024 IS 12 DAYS AWAY!

VOTING HUB AT THE DUDE IS NOW OPEN, 12-6 p.m. M-F

A2 voters can register, update their registration and vote at UMMA or the Dude, 12-6 pm, M-F.

WHAT TO BRING TO THE HUBS FOR REGISTRATION & VOTING

You'll need to bring 3 things:

- 1) Photo ID – your MCard will do the trick!
- 2) The last 4 digits of your social security number (or a MI driver's license)
- 3) Proof of residency – you can use your current local address on Wolverine Access, your lease, or a utility bill

Click [here](#) for more election information.

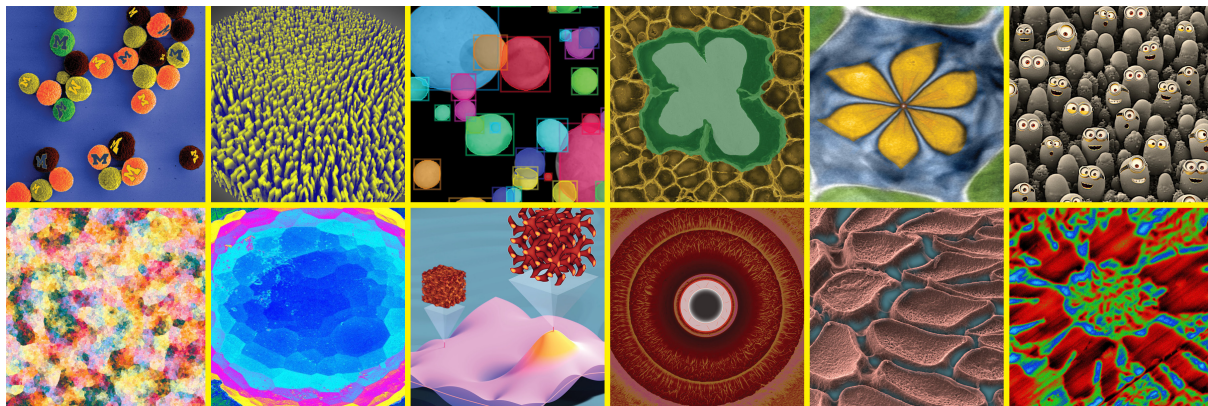
FEELING ELECTION ANXIETY? HOW TO DISPEL THE DOOM

We all feel it. With less than two weeks to go, the perceived stakes and stress of this election are rising to unprecedented levels. If you're experiencing election anxiety, a recent article in the University Record shares tips on how to bring your stress level down in the run-up to November 5. [Read more.](#)

OUR 2025 CALENDAR IMAGE CONTEST IS OFFICIALLY OPEN! WINNERS WILL RECEIVE \$200 PER IMAGE

We're looking for some cool, creative "science as art" images to use in a variety of departmental marketing materials, including our 2025 calendar. Please submit your images (with explanatory caption and advisor/course name) [here](#) by **Friday, November 8.**

If your image is selected, you will receive **\$200!** High-resolution images only. All MSE students and postdocs are welcome to participate, but submissions must be based on research conducted at U-M. For inspiration, see some of last year's winners below.



Student News

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OUR NEW PHD CANDIDATES!



On October 4, MSE celebrated our 13 new PhD candidates at a special luncheon with MSE chair Liz Holm and the candidates' advisors. Pictured above are (front row): **Sang Yong Lee** (Li group), **Harshada Suryawanshi** (Li group), **Nicholas David** (Sun group), and **Yerin Hong** (Li group). Back row: **Lingxia Shi** (Thornton group), **Kelotchi Figueroa Nieves** (Kioupakis group), **Douglas Heine** (Bol group), **Jen Bradley** (Glotzer group), **Chuqi Huang** (Pena-Francesch group), and **Po-Yu Kung** (Li group). Not pictured: **Daniel Delgado** (Dasgupta group), **Meizhong Lyu** (Holm group), and **Yunjin Lyu** (Lindsey group). **Congratulations to all!**

Staff News

YING QI RETIRES AFTER 27 YEARS OF SERVICE TO MSE



On Friday, October 11, faculty and staff gathered to thank and wish **Ying Qi** well on her retirement. Qi, senior research project engineer, is moving on to the next chapter after 27 years of service to MSE. Click [here](#) to see more photos. **Congratulations, Ying!!**

Alumni News

CAPSTONE PROJECT TURNED CAREER: A DEEP DIVE INTO GRACE HSIA HABERL'S INSPIRING STORY

For her senior capstone design project, then-MSE senior Grace Hsia Haberl was part of a team that developed a prototype device to keep premature babies warm without electricity. Twelve years later, that device, which is manufactured by Hsia Haberl's company Warmilu, is saving premature babies around the globe. Read Grace's inspiring story [here](#) (which is featured in this month's *Michigan Engineer* magazine) and click on the image below to watch a video of the charismatic and compassionate entrepreneur we're proud to call our own.



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