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## Basketball Season Kicks Off As UIC Athletics And UPS Present 'Midnight Madness' On October 11th At The UIC Pavilion

Free admission for fans to come get a sneak peek at the 2002-03 UIC men's and women's basketball teams.

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**Chicago, Ill.** - Fans will get a first look at the 2002-03 UIC men's and women's basketball teams on Friday, Oct. 11th as UIC Athletics and UPS present 'Midnight Madness' at the UIC Pavilion.

Admission is free, and the festivities start at 10:00 p.m. with food, music, contests with prizes like a 25-inch TV and DVD player, and special performances by the UIC Cheerleaders and nationally-ranked UIC Dancing Flames.

Then, as the clock hits midnight, the UIC Flames hit the floor for the first time. Both the men's and women's squads will strut their stuff in a 15-minute scrimmage with the event concluding at 1:00 a.m.

The UIC men's basketball team is coming off a Horizon League Championship campaign and its second NCAA Tournament appearance in the last five years. The team went 20-14 last year and welcomes back one of the most explosive one-two punches in the nation in juniors [Cedrick Banks](#) and [Martell Bailey](#).

The men's team also features an explosive crop of newcomers, who will be making their Division I debuts at UIC Athletics and UPS present 'Midnight Madness'.

On the women's side, it's a dawn of a new era in UIC basketball as first-year head coach [Lisa Ryckbosch](#) takes control of

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Head Coach Jimmy Collins and Martell Bailey will kick

the program.

The Chicago native, who was a large part of the success at DePaul where she served as an assistant coach for the last 11 years, will bring an exciting brand of basketball to the Pavilion with her more up-tempo offense and in-your-face defensive style.

UIC returns its two top scorers from last season in senior center [Jaysie Chambers](#) and senior shooting guard [LeKesha Williams](#).

#### UIC ATHLETICS AND UPS PRESENT 'MIDNIGHT MADNESS' TIMELINE

**10:00 PM** - Pavilion Doors Open To The Public

**10:00 PM - 11:15 PM** - UIC Flames Fan Fest

\*Free Hot Dogs, Popcorn and Pepsi

\* Promotional Contests (prizes to be won include a 25-inch TV and DVD Player, Best Buy Gift Certificates, and special UIC Gifts)

\* DJ w/Karaoke

\* Wellness Center Boozavision

\* Much, much, more

**11:25 PM** - Performance By The UIC Cheerleaders

**11:30 PM** - First Special Student Contest

**11:35 PM** - Performance By The UIC Dancing Flames

**11:37 PM** - Learn The UIC Fight Song

**11:47 PM** - Introductions Of The Women's Basketball Team

**11:50 PM** - Men's Basketball Season-In-Review Video

**11:58 PM** - Introductions Of The Men's Basketball Team

**12:03 AM** - Second Special Student Contest

**12:15 PM** - Women's Team Scrimmage (15 minutes)

**12:37 PM** - Men's Team Scrimmage (15 minutes)

off the 2002-03 season as UIC Athletics and UPS present 'Midnight Madness'.

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