

Announcing
**GLOBAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP
WEEK 2009!**

UMBC is joining universities around the world this November to celebrate entrepreneurship. We hope you will join us for the events below. Whatever your major, you're sure to find these events relevant, eye-opening and fun!



Monday, November 16
Lunch and Learn: The Inventor
Commons 331
Noon – 1 p.m.

Come hear from a panel of entrepreneurs who dared to think 'outside the box' and create something new. Todd Marks, CEO of Mindgrub Technologies, UMBC

alum Charlene Riikonen, president and CEO of Cera Products, and UMBC alum Angela Singleton, president of PIQUE, will share their experiences and offer their dos and don'ts for bringing a new product or service to market.



Tuesday, November 17
*Finding Value in Ideas:
A Seminar and Networking
Event for Alumni Entrepreneurs*
Albin O. Kuhn Library, 7th Floor
6 – 7:30 p.m.

This interactive seminar, presented by successful entrepreneur Julie Lenzer

Kirk, will give alums who either own their own business or have an idea for one the tools they need to identify the best business opportunities and grow their companies through innovation. Cost is \$15 and includes dinner. For more information, contact Monique Armstrong at moniquea@umbc.edu.

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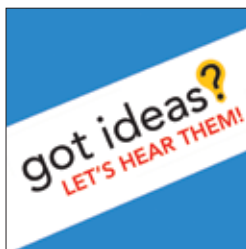


Wednesday, November 18
*UMBC's Visionaries in IT Forum:
Gary Marino – Senior Vice
President, PayPal and General
Manager, Bill Me Later*

The Westin Baltimore Washington Airport,
1110 Old Elkridge Landing Rd., Linthicum
7:30 – 9 a.m.

Gary spent nearly 20 years in banking before founding Bill Me Later, a leading alternative payments business. Gary Marino has been featured in publications such as Business Week, Fortune, Wall Street Journal and The New York Times and has earned recognition as Entrepreneur of the Year, Inc. Magazine's Top 50 (no.4) and Red Herring's Fast 50 (no.3). In 2008, Bill Me Later was acquired by eBay's PayPal unit for nearly \$1 billion, in the largest venture funded deal of the year.

For more information and to register, go to <http://www.umbc.edu/visionaries>.



Thursday, November 19
Idea Competition Finals
Sports Zone, The Commons
7 – 9 p.m.

Join us for the finals of UMBC's first-ever Idea Competition and help select the winners! The top entrants will present their ideas in a live, 2-minute pitch.

Everyone in the audience will get a chance to vote for Best Idea and Best Pitch. And those attending could win one of 10 Amazon.com gift certificates.

For more information, go to <http://www.umbc.edu/ideacomp>.

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