JAN. 14 & JAN. 17 | TEXAS WOMAN'S & GEORGIA



IOWA HAWKEYE WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS

2022 SCHEDULE			
<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Time</u>	
Jan. 8	Eastern Michigan/Lindenwood	W, 195.950-194.100	
Jan. 14	#29 Texas Woman's University	6:30 p.m.	
Jan. 17	at #21 Georgia	1:30 p.m.	
Jan. 22	at Michigan State	6 p.m.	
Jan. 29	Nebraska	5 p.m.	
Feb. 4	Penn State	6:30 p.m.	
Feb. 11	at Rutgers	6 p.m.	
Feb. 18	at Big Five Meet	6 p.m.	
Feb. 25	at Minnesota	4:30 p.m.	
March 4	at Iowa State	6:30 p.m.	
March 13	at California	TBA	
March 19	at Big Ten Championships	TBA	
	(Columbus, Ohio)		
TBA	at NCAA Regionals	TBA	
	(TBA)		
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#18 IOWA HAWKEYES

HEAD COACH | LARISSA LIBBY (18TH SEASON)

#29 TEXAS WOMAN'S UNIVERSITY

HEAD COACH | LISA BOWERMAN (10TH SEASON)

#21 GEORGIA BULLDOGS

HEAD COACH | COURTNEY KUPETS CARTER (5TH SEASON)

THIS WEEK

The ninth-ranked University of Iowa women's gymnastics will compete in two meets in a span of three days from Jan. 14-17. The Hawkeyes will host No. 29 Texas Woman's University on Friday at 6:30 p.m. (CT) inside Carver-Hawkeye Arena before traveling to Athens, Georgia, for a road dual against No. 21 Georgia on Monday at Stegeman Coliseum.

• On Friday, it is Princess/Super Hero Night at Carver-Hawkeye Arena. Admission is \$10 for adults, while youth admission is free of charge. Tickets can be purchased at hawkeyesports. com/tickets.

FOLLOW LIVE

• Friday's meet will be streamed live on BTN+ -- a paid subscription service. Monday's road meet will be streamed on the SEC+ - a paid subscription service.

• Fans can follow along via live results at hawkeyesports.com or via Twitter (@lowaGymnastics).

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

• The Hawkeyes moved up to No. 9 in the Road to Nationals rankings following their seasonopening 195.950 against Eastern Michigan. Iowa moved up nine spots from a No. 18 preseason ranking. The No. 9 ranking is the second highest in program history, as the Gymhawks were ranked No. 7 during the 2021 season.

• Iowa sits fifth nationally on floor, eighth on beam, 14th on vault, and 19th on bars. Iowa is one of two Big Ten teams in the top 10 along with top-ranked Michigan.

• The Hawkeyes have five gymnasts ranked in the top 15 nationally. Sophomore Adeline Kenlin is tied for fifth on beam, junior JerQuavia Henderson is tied for fifth on vault and tied for sixth on floor, senior Alex Greenwald is tied for eighth on bars, senior Clair Kaji is tied for 11th on beam and senior Lauren Guerin is tied for 12th (9.900) on floor.

 Henderson was named the Big Ten Specialist of the Week for the first time in her career after winning two events (vault, floor) in the season-opening victory over Eastern Michigan. .

 Iowa was selected to finish third in the Big Ten Preseason Poll in a vote of the league's 10 head coaches (behind Michigan and Minnesota). Junior JerQuavia Henderson and sophomore Adeline Kenlin were tabbed as Big Ten Gymnasts to Watch.

• Iowa returns 15 letterwinners in 2022, including three All-Americans and four All-Big Ten selections. Iowa boasts a roster with seven seniors and 11 upperclassmen. **NOTABLES**







Larissa Libby enters her 18th year as head coach, and 22nd year overall, at the University of Iowa in the 2021 season.

During her tenure in Iowa City, the Hawkeyes have been a consistent top 25 team nationally, as she has led the program to 20 straight NCAA Regional appearances (individually or as a team).

The three-time Big Ten and two-time NCAA Regional Coach of the Year has coached six WGCA All-Americans and five first-team All-Americans at the NCAA Championships, including national champion Alexis Maday and Adeline Kenlin. Maday was the Big Ten Freshman of the Year in 2001 and the Big Ten Gymnast of the Year in 2004. Kenlin was the Big Ten Freshmnan of the Year in 2021.

Libby has coached 11 Big Ten champions, four NCAA Regional champions, 10 NCAA Championships qualifiers, while 45 studentathletes have earned All-Big Ten honors, including 22 first-team selections.

The Hawkeyes have also excelled in the classroom and has had a strong community presence under Libby's watch. Forty-eight student-athletes have been Academic All-Americans.

During the 2021 season, the Hawkeyes climbed as high as No. 7 in the national rankings – a program high – and the team accounted for four of the top 10 team scores in school history. The GymHawks were Big Ten Champions, with three All-Americans – Lauren Guerin, JerQuavia Henderson and Adeline Kenlin.



- Junior JerQuavia Henderson posted a 9.925 on vault to tie a career best for the third time as a Hawkeye. The score is ninth-best in program history.
- Two seniors set career-highs on bars. Alex Greenwald scored a 9.900 and Mackenzie Vance posted a 9.850.
- Junior Linda Zivat made her Hawkeye debut, posting a 9.775 on vault and a 9.775 on floor.
- Freshman Marissa Rojas made her collegiate debut, scoring a 9.675 on vault.

HENDERSON B1G SPECIALIST OF THE WEEK

For the first time in her career, junior Jerquavia Henderson was named Big Ten Specialist of the Week after scoring a 9.925 on vault and floor in the Hawkeyes' win over Eastern Michigan.

• Henderson tied a career high 9.925 en route to her vault title. The junior has tied this score three times, placing ninth in program history

HAWKEYES RANKED TOP 10

The Hawkeyes posted a 195.950 in their season-opener against Eastern Michigan on Jan. 8. The score puts lowa in ninth in the Road to National rankings, the second-highest ranking in program history. Iowa is one of two Big Ten teams in the top 10 along with No. 1 Michigan.

BIG TEN CHAMPIONS

The Hawkeyes clinched their first Big Ten Conference championship, claiming the 2021 regular season title, when they won the Big Five Meet in Ann Arbor, Michigan, on Feb. 27. Iowa finished the Big Ten regular season with an 8-0 record.

• Lauren Guerin and JerQuavia Henderson earned a share of the Big Ten floor titles during the 2021 Big Ten Championships. They were the third and fourth floor champions in school history and the first since 2004.

KENLIN: 2021 B1G FRESHMAN OF THE YEAR

Sophomore Adeline Kenlin earned Big Ten Freshman of the Year honors in 2021, becoming the fourth Hawkeye in school history to earn the conference's top freshman honor and the first in 20 years.

• Kenlin earned the distinction after winning five event titles during the regular season. The lowa City native tied the school record on beam, posting a 9.975 score on March 14 at Nebraska. Kenlin earned four Big Ten Freshman of the Week honors.

HENDERSON -- CGA COMEBACK GYMNAST OF THE YEAR

Junior JerQuavia Henderson was selected as College Gym News Comeback Gymnast of the Year in 2021. The Peoria, Illinois, native missed the 2020 season after rupturing her Achilles before returning to earn All-America honors in 2021.

Henderson also earned a share of the Big Ten floor title with a 9.950 and she tied for first on floor at NCAA Regionals with a 9.925. She also was a second-team WCGA All-America honoree on floor after posting a 9.944 national qualifying score during the regular season.
The first-team All-Big Ten selection tied the lowa school record during a tri-meet against Minnesota and Maryland on Feb. 13 with a score of 9.975. She received a 10.00 from one judge to tie the record last set in 2004.

IN THE RECORD BOOKS







Six Hawkeyes enter the 2022 season in the lowa record books. They are as follows:

- JerQuavia Henderson t1st 9.975 Floor
- Adeline Kenlin -t1st- 9.975- Beam
- Clair Kaji t3rd 9.950 Beam
- Lauren Guerin t4th 9.950 Floor
- Allyson Steffensmeier t6th 9.925 Uneven Bars
- Clair Kaji t6th 9.925 Uneven Bars
- JerQuavia Henderson t6th 9.925 Uneven Bars
- Lauren Guerin t9th 9.925 Vault
- JerQuavia Henderson -t9th- 9.925- vault
- Lauren Guerin t12- 9.925 Floor
- Clair Kaji t12 9.925 Floor
- Alex Greenwald t12 9.925 Floor
- Adeline Kenlin t15th 9.900 Uneven Bars
- Adeline Kenlin t17 39.500 All-Around

KAJI X 6

Senior Clair Kaji returns for her sixth season with the Gymhawks after earning first-team All-Big Ten honors in 2021. It was Kaji's third All-Big Ten recognition as she was the first Hawkeye since Houry Gebeshian to earn three All-Big Ten honors. Kaji is the ninth lowa gymnast to earn multiple first-team honors.

HAYDEN JOINS IOWA COACHING STAFF

Quest Hayden is in his first season as an assistant coach, joining the Hawkeyes following stints at North Carolina, Michigan and Penn State. Hadyen was a member of the United States' 2013 Junior National Team and he competed collegiately at Penn State from 2015-18.

20 & COUNTING

Head coach Larissa Libby has led the GymHawks to 20 straight NCAA Regional appearances (either as a team or individually). The 2022 season is Libby's 18th as Iowa's head coach and 21st overall with the program. She is a three-time Big Ten Coach of the Year.

FOLLOW THE HAWKEYES

For a behind the scenes look at the program, follow the GymHawks via social media at Facebook/lowaGymnastics, Twitter/@lowaGymnastics, and Instagram (@lowaGymnastics).

UP NEXT

The Hawkeyes will open Big Ten competition on Jan. 22, traveling to East Lansing, Michigan, to face Michigan State.





Volunteer Assistant: Rachel David Student Manager: Carter Dochterman

Athletic Trainer: Emily Link

Head Coach: Larissa Libby (18th season, LSU, 1996)

Assistant Coach: Jessa Hansen Parker (2nd season, Iowa, 2012) Assistant Coach: Quest Hayden (1st season, Penn State, 2018) Director, Operations: Ryan Ruckdaschel (1st season, Iowa, 2019)

COACHING STAFF

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Alex Ebeling	Eeb-ling
Allie Gilchrist	-
Lauren Guerin	Gair (like hair)-in
JerQuavia Henderson	Jer-kwae-via
Clair Kaji	Kah-gee
Adeline Kenlin	Add-uh-line
Marissa Rojas	Row-haws
Linda Zivat	Ziv-it
Allison Zuhlke	Zull-key

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Alex Bradford	UB, BB, FX	Fr.	Fairfield Township, Ohio/Ohio Connections Academy
Alexa Ebeling	UB, FX	Fr.	Adel, Iowa/Adel DeSoto Minburn
Allie Gilchrist	BB, FX	Sr.	Norwalk, Iowa/Norwalk
Alex Greenwald	AA	Sr.	Coral Springs, Fla./Marjory Stoneman Douglas
Lauren Guerin	V, BB, FX	Sr.	Austin, Texas/Texas Connections Academy
JerQuavia Henderson	AA	Jr.	Peoria, III./Dunlap
Clair Kaji	UB, BB , FX	Sr.	Vancouver, Canada/Magee Secondary
Adeline Kenlin	AA	So.	Iowa City, Iowa/West Branch
Bridget Killian	V, BB, FX	Sr.	Wheaton, III./St. Francis
Caelen Lansing	BB, FX	So.	La Crosse, Wis./Central
Kendall Laplante	AA	So.	Seminole, Fla./Seminole
Kamryn Martinez	V, BB, FX	Fr.	Castle Rock, Colo./ Rock Canyon
Kareena Mcsweeny	UB, BB, FX	So.	Cedar Rapids, Iowa/Abeka
Aubrey Nick	AA	So.	Wauconda, III./Wauconda
Ellie Rogers	AA	Jr.	Spotsylvania, Pa./Courtland
Marissa Rojas	AA	Fr.	Canton, Mich./ Michigan Connections Academy
Allyson Steffensmeier	AA	Jr.	Cedar Rapids, Iowa/John F. Kennedy
Carina Tolan	V, UB, BB	Sr.	Tinley Park, III./Providence Catholic
Mackenzie Vance	V, UB, BB	Sr.	Buda, Texas/Jack C. Hays
Linda Zivat	V, BB, FX	Jr.	Manhattan, III./Lincoln-Way West (Michigan State)
Allison Zuhlke	V, UB, BB	So.	Waukesha, Wis./Lake Country Lutheran (Towson University)

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Name

Hometown/High School (Last School)







Alex Bradford| Fr. | UB/BB/FX



JerQuavia Henderson | Jr. | AA



Kendall Laplante | So. | AA



Marissa Rojas | Fr. | AA



Allison Zuhlke | So. | V/UB/BB



Alexa Ebeling | Fr. | UB/ FX



Clair Kaji | Sr. | UB/BB/FX



Kamryn Martinez | Fr. | V/BB/FX



Allyson Steffensmeier | Jr. | AA



Larissa Libby **Head Coach**









Allie Gilchrist | Sr. | BB/FX



Adeline Kenlin | So. | AA



Kareena Mcsweeny | So. | UB/BB/FX



Carina Tolan | Sr. | V/UB/BB



Jessa Hansen Parker **Assistant Coach**





Alex Greenwald | Sr. | AA



Bridget Killian | Sr. | V/BB/FX



Aubrey Nick | So. | AA



Mackenzie Vance | Sr. | V/UB/BB



Quest Hayden Assistant Coach



Lauren Guerin | Sr. | V/BB/FX



Caelen Lansing | So. | BB/FX



Ellie Rogers | Jr. | AA



Linda Zivat | Jr. | V/UB/FX



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