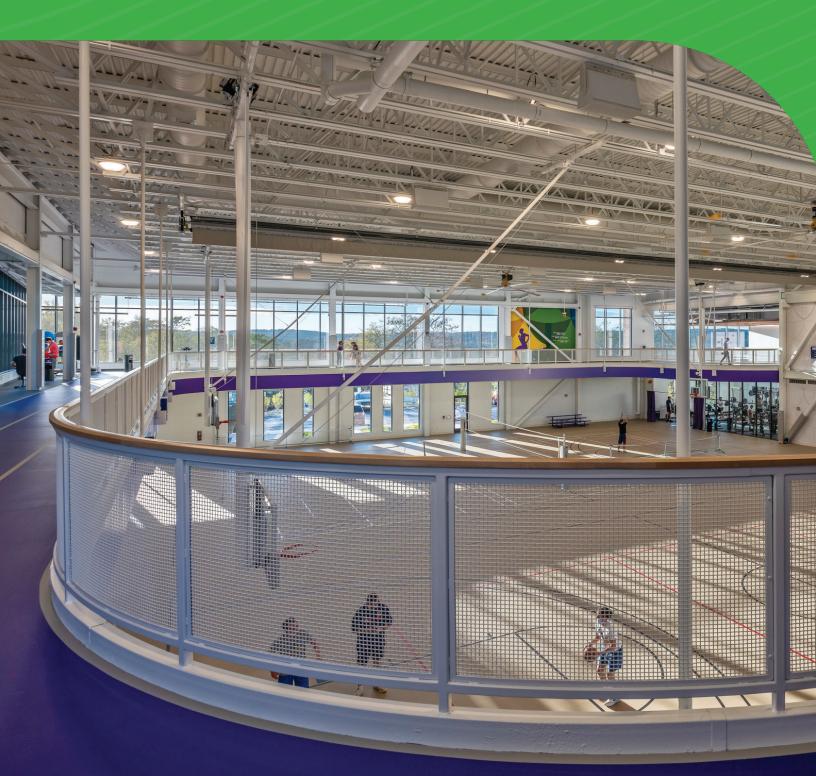
# Athletic Business.

2023 PLAYBOOK

IF YOUR PRODUCT OR SERVICE BELONGS IN AN ATHLETICS, FITNESS OR RECREATION FACILITY, YOU BELONG IN AB.





### WHO WE ARE

# Athletic Business. ×

### YOUR TRUSTED INDUSTRY CONNECTION.

At Athletic Business, we're committed to providing the most impactful marketing solutions across our print, digital and in-person marketing channels. Our timely and relevant editorial content covers the topics our readers care about and we take great pride in our meticulously maintained subscriber lists that guarantee measurable results. Plus, hosting an industry-wide event ensures you get facetime with professionals across the athletics, fitness and recreation industries. When you advertise with AB, you can be confident that you're gaining direct access to a highly qualified and engaged audience of key decision-makers.



Award-winning publication design allows your ad to be displayed in a professional and engaging layout.



Preferred media partner of NIRSA, ensuring your message gets in front of the entire association.



By being independently audited, we're proud to be transparent with our data.

"I have worked at four institutions during my campus recreation career and one constant has been signing up to receive Athletic Business. I use their resources to benchmark and remain up to date with best practices in the industry. I also enjoy seeing colleagues and institutions celebrated. Learning about what is happening in recreation settings outside of higher education is an added bonus that distinguishes this organization from others."

### GREGORY REINHARDT

Associate Director for Programs & Staff Development | University of Washington - Recreation





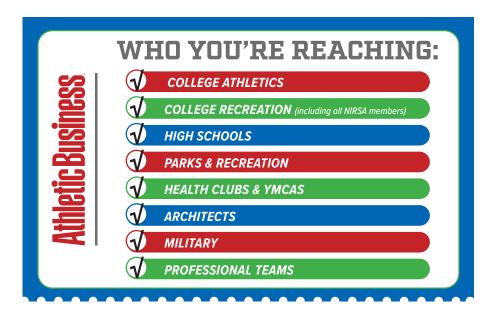




### AUDIENCE INSIGHTS

### **REACH 64,600+ DECISION-MAKERS**

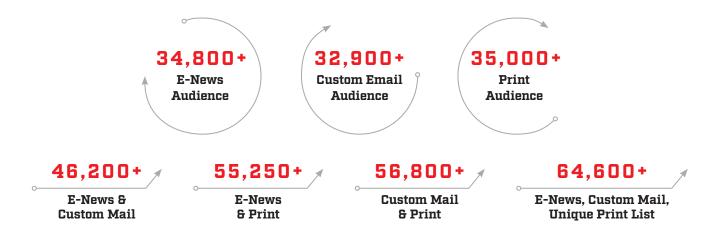
Saturate your brand in front of thousands with our comprehensive approach to the entire market:





### REACH NEW CUSTOMERS ACROSS ALL CHANNELS

Our unique products allow for multiple opportunities to reach your target audience. Maximize brand saturation among your target audience by capitalizing on all three Athletic Business sales channels. Our digital, print, and custom email list are designed to work together in order to garner the best results.





### PRINT

### A TRUSTED PLATFORM TO REACH A VERIFIED AUDIENCE.

Integrated marketing is the name of the game — and it all starts with print. Our audited print audience of athletics, fitness and recreation professionals still heavily rely on print media to find relevant information to inform their business decisions and to find the products and services they need to run profitable programs and facilities. Plus, it's all packaged up in a national award-winning design.

As part of our commitment to being transparent with our data, we're excited to be an Alliance for Audited Media (AAM)-audited magazine, which means you can be confident you're reaching the exact market you're targeting.

"Print will allow brands to rise above the digital racket. The ubiquity of digital media has given print media a strange new power. Think of how special it is to get a written letter as opposed to an email."

BRANDON ORTIZ | Salesforce.org as quoted by Forbes



### WHAT IT MEANS TO BE AUDITED

As part of our commitment to being transparent with our data, we're proud to be an Alliance for Audited Media (AAM)-audited magazine. This means you can be confident you're reaching the exact market you're aiming to target when you advertise in *Athletic Business* magazine.

Being audited means our 38,000 print subscribers are independently verified by AAM to ensure:

- They have personally requested to receive the magazine or are members of NIRSA, an industry association partnered with Athletic Business.
- 2 They are decision-makers in the athletics, fitness and recreation industry.
- 3 They are current our list contains no outdated records that are no longer relevant.





MINITER

### PRINT



AB AUDIENCE MEMBERS
CURRENTLY WORKING ON
A MAJOR CONSTRUCTION/
RENOVATION PROJECT OR HAVE
ONE PLANNED WITHIN 5 YEARS



ATHLETIC BUSINESS
READERS
ARE "DIRECTOR LEVEL"
OR ABOVE



"Seeing new products and facilities can be quite inspiring"

### - BRUCE COOLIDGE

Programming Director | The Capital Athletic Club







"A reasonable gauge of how good a magazine is to know how much you **can't wait for next month's issue.** Andy and the rest of the staff do a fantastic job each month putting together items of interest along a range of topics"

### — EUGENE SESSOMS

Assistant Director of Leadership Development | College of Charleston





"Athletic Business keeps even a small gym on the **cutting edge of products** legal opinions, and the entire sports and fitness industry"

### — GEORGE BLOCK

Owner | Island Fitness

### DIGITAL: PRODUCTS

### AB SOLUTIONS DESIGNED TO KEEP YOU CONNECTED.

When combined with our print marketing solutions, digital opportunities from Athletic Business ensure your brand messaging is connected to our engaged and growing audience of decision-makers anywhere and anytime. With a meticulously maintained email list and measurable engagement across all digital channels, AB helps deliver your message to key decision-makers whenever they're looking for information to help their program and facilities succeed.

Athletic Business continually delivers new digital marketing opportunities designed to captivate and engage digital audiences.



#### **AB TODAY**

Daily e-newsletter providing industry professionals with timely, pertinent and fastreading nationwide stories



#### CLISTOM E-MAIL

Exclusive opportunity to reach your specific target audience from a database of high-quality decision-makers



#### WERSITE

Banner ads offer consistent exposure among our highly read content



#### **SPONSORED CONTENT**

Leverage the power of content marketing with an article or video published and promoted on AB's digital channels



### **RETARGETING**

Display your ad around the web to our website visitors, an engaged audience of qualified prospects



### **SOCIAL MEDIA**

Reach athletics, fitness and recreation decision-makers across our various platforms



### **AB PODCAST**

Exclusive opportunity to promote your brand within the context of a topic that aligns with your brand



### **SPONSORED WEBINARS**

Establish your brand as a thought-leader while collecting high-quality leads



### **DIGITAL FOCUS**

A Digital Focus Sponsorship offers fully integrated content marketing built seamlessly into content produced by AB



### **FACILITY OF THE WEEK**

Align yourself with the best athletics, fitness and recreation facility projects and gain high visibility with an exclusive Facility of the Week sponsorship



### **LEADERS PROGRAM**

Your content alongside articles related to your products and services



### **ARCHITECT PORTFOLIO**

This digital extension of our industry-leading Buyers Guide allows your firm to showcase your profile, latest projects and Architectural Showcase submissions

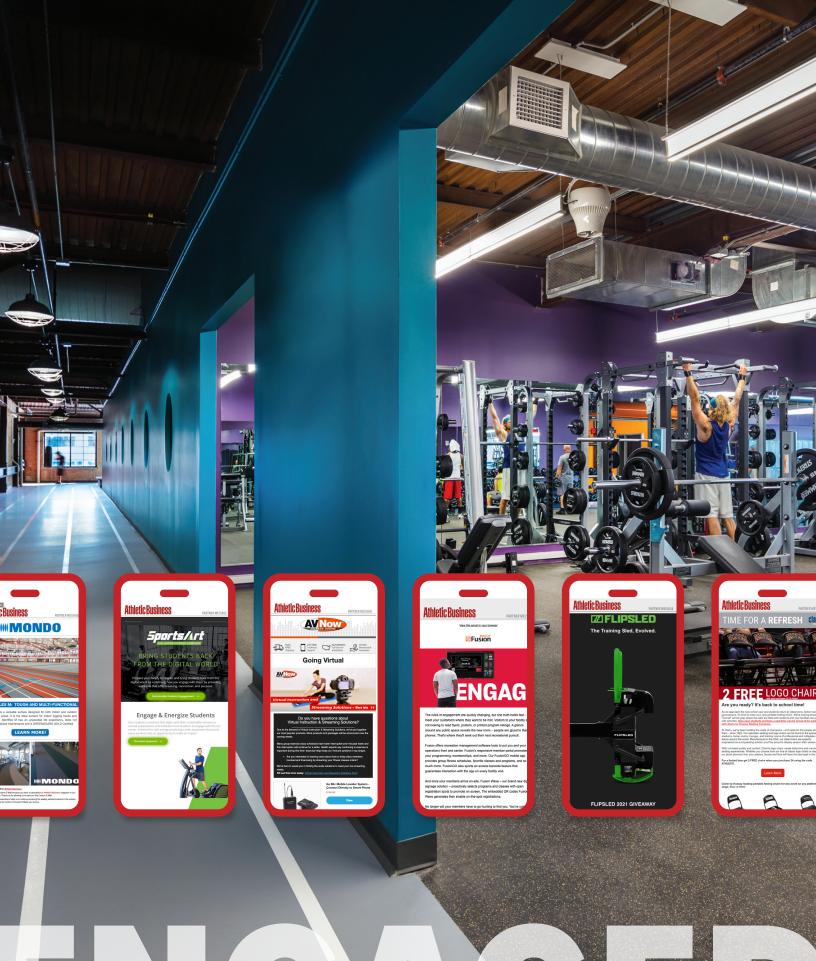












### **Athletic Business**

### JAN/FEB

Ad Close: 12/1 Ad Due: 12/7

### **PRODUCT SPOTLIGHT:** NIRSA & IHRSA Exhibitors

- AQUATIC DESIGN PORTFOLIO
- Smart Building Technology
- Team Travel Logisitics
- Fitness Center Trends

Bonus Distribution: AOAP, NIRSA, IHRSA Digital Focus January: Safety & Security Digital Focus February: Aquatics

### MAY

Ad Close: 3/30 Ad Due: 4/6

#### PRODUCT SPOTLIGHT:

Gym & Indoor Surfaces

- Gymnasium Game Night
- Athletic and Medical Crossover Facilities
- Aquatics Maintenance & Repair
- Natural Turf Care

Digital Focus May: Gymnasiums

### **SEPTEMBER**

Ad Close: 8/1 Ad Due: 8/7

### **PRODUCT SPOTLIGHT:**

Stadium & Outdoor Surfaces

- Football Game Day Prep
- Pool Water and Air Quality
- Park Master Planning
- Ice Facilities

**Bonus Distribution: NRPA** 

Digital Focus September: Stadiums

### **MARCH**

Ad Close: 1/30 Ad Due: 2/6

#### **2023 BUYER'S GUIDE**

**ADVERTISERS RECEIVE:** 

- Priority in Online Search Results
- Boldfaced Listings
- Special: Buy 2 pages, Get 2 pages
- 2023 Purchasing Data

Bonus Distribution: All Major Shows Digital Focus March: Sports Fields

#### JUNE

Ad Close: 4/28 Ad Due: 5/5

### ARCHITECTURAL SHOWCASE

### **PRODUCT SPOTLIGHT:**

Building Systems/Fabric & Shade Structures

- Special listings for suppliers in print and online
- · Architect Index for all submissions

Bonus Distribution: All Major Shows Digital Focus June: Outdoor Fitness

### **OCTOBER**

Ad Close: 8/30 Ad Due: 9/6

#### **FACILITIES OF MERIT** ®

### **PRODUCT SPOTLIGHT:**

Weight Rooms & Strength Equipment

- Strength Spaces
- Staffing Shortages: Officials, Lifeguards
- AB Show Preview

### **Bonus Distribution: AB Show**

Digital Focus October: Fitness

#### **APRIL**

2023 EDITORIAL CALENDAR

Ad Close: 3/1 Ad Due: 3/7

Aquatics

- Outdoor Lighting
- Aquatics ADA Design
- Indoor & Outdoor Track Systems
- Climbing Walls

Digital Focus April: College Rec

PRODUCT SPOTLIGHT:

### JULY/AUG

Ad Close: 6/1 Ad Due: 6/7

### PRODUCT SPOTLIGHT:

Locker Rooms, Laundry

- Training Room Design
- · Graphics and Branding
- Pickleball Trends
- Pool Programming

Digital Focus July: Lighting Digital Focus August: Locker Rooms

### **NOV/DEC**

Ad Close: 9/22 Ad Due: 9/28

### AB SHOW ISSUE PRODUCT SPOTLIGHT:

AB Show Exhibitors

- Sports Streaming Solutions
- Sport Venue Climate Control
- High School Locker Rooms
- Corporate Fitness/Employee Wellness

**Bonus Distribution: AB Show & NADC**Digital Focus November: Software/Technology
Digital Focus December: Legal Action

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#### **NIRSA Rec Center**

Produced in cooperation with NIRSA, this feature highlights topics and issues specific to college recreation.

### **Tech Roundup**

Each installment focuses on cutting-edge technology being adopted by professionals in our industry.

#### **Product Spotlight**

Highlighting products aligned with each issue's designated topic.

### **New and Improved**

Details on the latest products hitting the market.

#### Forward Progress

The scoop on new athletics, fitness and recreation facility projects.

### **Design Details**

Celebrating the architectural touches that elevate the very best facilities.

### **The Owners Club**

Our health club column authored by successful club owners.

#### **Legal Action**

Our legal experts break down pertinent cases affecting today's facility leaders.

### Safety & Security

Providing guidance to advance best practices in safety and security.

### READY TO GET STARTED?



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### RATES & PACKAGES

**NOTE:** All rates listed are net. 💉

### **PRINT**

FOUR COLOR	1 Issue	3 Issues	6 Issues	7+ Issues
Page	\$4,300	\$4,200	\$3,900	\$3,800
2-Page Spread	7,000	6,800	6,500	6,000
1/2 Island	3,800	3,700	3,400	3,300
1/2 Horizontal or Vertical	3,300	3,200	2,900	2,800
1/3 Horizontal or Vertical	2,800	2,700	2,500	2,400
1/4	2,500	2,400	2,200	2,100
1/6	2,100	2,000	1,800	1,700

<sup>\*</sup>Black and white rates available upon request

### **PROFESSIONAL DIRECTORY**

	1 Issue	6 Issues	9 Issues
Four Color	\$500	\$450	\$425
Black and White	400	350	325

### **CUSTOM CONTENT**

Sponsored Video	\$2,000
Sponsored Content Digital	\$2,000
Sponsored Content Print	Call for rates
Social Media Package	\$600
Sponsored Webinar	Call for rates

### **AB SHOW**

	Nov/Dec Advertisers	Non-Advertisers
Page in AB Show Guide	\$750	\$1,100
10x10 Exhibit Space	\$2,950	+\$200 corner fee

### **DIGITAL**

BANNER ADS	MONTHLY RATE
Billboard	\$1,500
Super Leaderboard	1,200
Facility of the Week	1,600
Retargeting	1,200
Digital Focus	1,200
Podcast	Call for Rates

### **CUSTOM EMAIL**

CUSTOM EMAIL	RATE VARIES BY LIST SIZE
Targeted Send	\$1,500—\$5,000

### **ATHLETIC BUSINESS TODAY BANNERS**

E-NEWSLETTER	WEEKLY RATE
1st Banner	\$1,200
2nd Banner	1,100
3rd Banner	1,000
4th Banner	800
Native Banner	1,200

BUYER'S GUIDE MICROSITE	<b>Annual:</b> \$2,125
ARCHITECT PORTFOLIO	<b>Annual:</b> \$1,350





### PARTNER PACKAGES

### **INTEGRATED MARKETING PACKAGES**

Creating a custom, integrated marketing plan allows you to strategically promote your brand in a way that has proven to deliver results. We will help outline your goals and create a package to fit your initiatives and budget.



NEW PRODUCT



BRAND ENGAGEMENT



LEAD GENERATION



TRADE SHOW PROMOTION



### PREMIUM PARTNERSHIPS

# GAIN 5+ MILLION IMPRESSIONS WITH AB PREMIUM PARTNERSHIP:

### **INTEGRATED MARKETING AT ITS FINEST**

Advertising with Athletic Business is more than a transaction, it's a strategic partnership. The Premium Partnership ensures unrivaled impact by boosting your brand awareness and saturation in the market through 5+ million impressions gained.



## UNLISTED SPECIAL PRICING

A Z B E E S
ASBPE Awards of Excellence



### **LOGO PLACEMENT**

Every page of athleticbusiness.com

Every edition of AB Today, daily E-Newsletter sent to 34,800+ subscribers

Masthead of every issue of Athletic Business magazine

The top of every digital issue of *Athletic Business* 



### **LEADERS PROGRAM**

on athleticbusiness.com to showcase product videos, photos, catalogs and more



### **NEW PRODUCTS**

receive free editorial coverage in our magazine and website



### **PRIORITY**

booth selection at AB Show

(Minimum investment is \$45,000 over 12 months)

### PARTNERS

Some of our current advertising partners

### **BE A PREMIUM PARTNER**













### **ADVERTISING PARTNERS**



















































































































BALTIMORE, MD | CONFERENCE: NOV. 1-4 | EXPO: NOV. 2-3

### EXHIBIT PRICING: \$2,950 PER 10' X 10' | \$200 CORNER FEE

SAVE \$100 PER 10' X 10' EXHIBIT SPACE BY LOCKING IN BEFORE MARCH 24, 2023



"As a regular attendee of large conferences such as IHRSA, NRPA, and AB Show on an annual basis, the educational sessions at AB Show are far more educational in helping professionals relate to common trends in the fitness and health industry. The AB Show not only relates professionals who see these trends but puts industry leaders in front of the educational sessions to help remedy and resolve these trends clubs are identifying."

**—ADAM LOCKARD** | Director of Facilities, Woodside

GAIN DIRECT ACCESS TO HIGHLY-QUALIFIED PROSPECTS

WITH SUBSTANTIAL PURCHASING POWER

AB Show is the largest comprehensive trade show for athletics, fitness, recreation and military professionals. Our attendees represent massive capital improvement projects including \$50 million+ building or renovation projects meaning you're gaining valuable facetime with key decision-makers who are making purchasing decisions on the products and services that will outfit their facilities.

Mark your calendars for Nov. 1-4 as we unite the industry in Baltimore for AB Show 2023. Stay tuned for more information to come!











### AB SHOW SPONSORSHIPS

# SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES TO MAKE YOUR BRAND STAND OUT

AB Show also offers excellent sponsorship opportunities that will increase your visibility at the event. Designed to drive an even greater number of attendees to your booth and help ensure a successful event, high-impact show sponsorship opportunities will boost your trade show investment.



### **GOLF CLASSIC OPTIONS:**

All golf sponsorships include a special listing on the event's welcome signage, in the official Golf Classic Program and at the hole (where applicable).



### **MILITARY RECEPTION:**

Get in front of our military attendees and showcase your brand in a more personal and intimate setting – pre-show and outside the exhibit hall.



### **FACILITIES OF MERIT RECEPTION:**

This prestigious event honors the most innovative new facilities in the industry. Align your brand with these facilities as Reception Sponsor.







### SHOW FLOOR HAPPY HOUR | BANNERS & COLUMN WRAPS | ATTENDEE BACKPACKS

Plus, there are many other options available for all goals and budgets.



## GET STARTED

# **Athletic Business**



Our diverse audience of athletics, fitness and recreation professionals have unique yet similar challenges. They all are looking for your products and services to outfit their facilities and improve their programs. Make sure they can find you in the industry's most relied upon resource.



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