

# NASBS Summer Course August 20-23, 2026

SKULL BASE SURGERY WORKSHOP FOR NEUROSURGICAL SURGERY SENIOR RESIDENTS AND  
OTOLARYNGOLOGY/HEAD & NECK SURGERY SENIOR RESIDENTS AND FELLOWS

LSU Health Sciences Center | 2020 Gravier Street, New Orleans, LA 70112

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## Thursday, August 20, 2026

6:00 – 7:30 PM Welcome Reception | Hotel lobby – 11th Floor

## Friday, August 21, 2026

6:30 – 7:00 AM Breakfast | Hotel lobby – 11th Floor | *\*Included in stay*

7:00 – 7:15 AM Shuttle to LSU Lab | Hotel Front Portico

7:30 – 7:40 AM | 10 Min **Welcome & Announcements**  
Zoukaa Sargi & Daniel Nuss

7:40 – 8:00 AM | 20 Min **3D Anatomy – Endonasal Sellar, Suprasellar Anatomy, and  
Transtubercular and Cavernous Sinus exposure**  
Varun Kshetry

8:00 – 8:15 AM | 15 Min **Endoscopic Transtubercular Approach**  
Shivanand Maharaj & Nathan Zwagerman

8:15 – 8:30 AM | 15 Min **Endoscopic Cavernous Sinus Approaches**  
Jamie Van Gompel

8:30 – 8:45 AM | 15 Min **Pediatric Considerations**  
Uma Ramaswamy

8:45 – 9:00 AM | 15 Min **How to Fix a Carotid Blowout**  
Ivan El-Sayed

9:00 – 9:15 AM | 15 Min Break/Transition to Lab

9:15 – 12:15 PM | 180 Min **Lab: Endoscopic Endonasal Approach to the Sella & Suprasellar Space,  
Transtubercular Approach, Exposure of the Cavernous Sinus**

	Carotid Injury Model
<b>12:15 – 1:00 PM   45 Min</b>	<b>Lunch with Complicated Cases</b> Carlos Pinheiro Neto & Paul Gardner
<b>1:00 – 1:20 PM   20 Min</b>	<b>3D Anatomy – Clival, Petrous Apex and C1-C2 Endoscopic Anatomy</b> Rob Dambrino & Jeff Sorenson
<b>1:20 – 1:35 PM   15 Min</b>	<b>Open and Endoscopic Infratemporal and Pterygopalatine Fossa Approaches; Contralateral Transmaxillary Approach/Endoscopic Denker's Approach</b> Katie Melder
<b>1:35 – 1:50 PM   15 Min</b>	<b>Endoscopic Transclival Approach</b> Noel Ayoub
<b>1:50 – 2:15 PM   25 Min</b>	Break/Transition to lab
<b>2:15 – 5:00 PM   165 Min</b>	<b>Lab:</b> Endoscopic Approach to the Clivus, Petrous Apex, ITF Carotid Injury Model
<b>5:00 – 5:15 PM   15 Min</b>	End / Transition to Shuttle
<b>5:15 – 5:30 PM   15 Min</b>	Shuttle to Hotel
<b>7:00 – 9:00 PM</b>	Faculty and Attendee Dinner

## **Saturday, August 22, 2026**

<b>7:00 – 7:30 AM</b>	Breakfast   Hotel lobby – 11th Floor   <i>*Included in stay</i>
<b>7:30 – 7:45 AM</b>	Shuttle To LSU Lab   Hotel Front Portico
<b>8:00 – 8:10 AM   10 Min</b>	<b>Welcome &amp; Announcements</b> Zoukaa Sargi & Daniel Nuss
<b>8:10 – 8:30 AM   20 Min</b>	<b>3D Anatomy – Around the Orbit – Supraorbital, Lateral orbitotomy, Medial Canthal Approaches</b> Varun Kshetry
<b>8:30 – 8:45 AM   15 Min</b>	<b>Supraorbital Craniotomy – Indications and Technique</b> Luis Horacio Ramirez-Silva
<b>8:45 – 9:00 AM   15 Min</b>	<b>Lateral Orbitotomy Approach – Indications and Technique</b> Cynthia Noguera

9:00 – 9:15 AM   15 Min	<b>Mini Pterional, Lateral Supraorbital</b> Bharat Guthikonda
9:15 – 9:45 AM   30 Min	Break/Transition to lab
9:45 – 12:15 PM   150 Min	<b>Lab:</b> Supraorbital craniotomy, Lateral Orbitotomy approach, Medial Canthal, Mini-pterional
12:15 – 1:00 PM   45 Min	<b>Lunch with cases: Skull Base Dilemmas: What is the best approach?</b> Danny Prevedello & Mathew Geltzeiler
1:00 – 1:20 PM   20 Min	<b>3D Anatomy – Vestibular Schwannoma Translabyrinthine, Retrosigmoid, and Middle Fossa Approaches to the IAC/CP Angle</b> Rahul Mehta
1:20 – 1:35 PM   15 Min	<b>Translabyrinthine Approach to the CPA – Indications and Technique</b> Si Chen
1:35 – 1:50 PM   15 Min	<b>Retrosigmoid Approach to the CPA – Indications and Technique</b> Jai Thakur
1:50 – 2:05 PM   15 Min	<b>Middle Fossa Approach</b> Bharat Guthikonda
2:05 – 2:30 PM   25 Min	Break/Transition to lab
2:30 – 5:00 PM   150 Min	<b>Lab:</b> Translabyrinthine, Retrosigmoid, and Middle Fossa Approaches to Vestibular Schwannomas
5:00 – 5:15 PM   15 Min	End / Transition to Shuttle
5:15– 5:30 PM   15 Min	Shuttle to Hotel
7:00 PM	Free Night   Dinner on Own

## Sunday, August 23, 2026

7:00 – 7:30 AM	Breakfast   Hotel lobby – 11th Floor   <i>*Included in stay</i>
7:30 – 7:45 AM	Shuttle To LSU Lab   Hotel Front Portico
8:00 – 8:10 AM   10 Min	<b>Welcome &amp; Announcements</b> Zoukaa Sargi & Daniel Nuss

- 8:10 – 8:25 AM | 15 Min**      **Trans facial Approaches to the Anterior & Paracentral Skull Base**  
*Daniel Nuss*
- 8:25 – 8:40 AM | 15 Min**      **Far Lateral Approach to the Craniocervical Junction – Indications and Approach**  
*Donato Pacione*
- 8:40 – 9:00 AM | 20 Min**      Break/Transition to lab
- 9:00 – 11:45 AM | 165 Min**      **Lab:** Trans facial Approaches and Far Lateral Approach
- 11:45 AM**                      Conclusion & Lunch
- 12:15 PM**                      Shuttle Leaves for Airport