



Dear friends and patients,

I would like to share with you that after 25 wonderful and rewarding years at Optix, the time has finally come to move on and let the next generation take the helm. Founding and developing the Eastside's luxury optical boutique and leading edge eye clinic has been a lifetime dream realized.

It has been an absolute pleasure and honor to partner with you in your healthcare journey as your eye doctor. I have come to know and befriend so many of you and your families with children and newborns that have grown into adulthood themselves. What an incredible experience! Thanks so much to all of you for entrusting me with your eyecare needs. I will be missing so many of you a great deal!

The key piece in this timing has been the opportunity to transfer this legacy into the capable and trusted hands of a long time family friend, Dr. Aqil Habib. I am extremely pleased that he shares the same passion for cutting edge medical technology to optimally provide full scope medical eyecare and vision services to you. Equally important to me is his appreciation and keen eye for our world class handcrafted luxury frame lines from around the world that help to define Optix.

I have known and been involved with Dr. Habib and his family for more than 30 years while he moved on from the UW to graduate with honors from Pacific University College of Optometry (my alma mater albeit a few years difference). He has honed his excellent professional skills in downtown Seattle for 14 years and is more than ready and excited to take Optix to the next level. I can personally vouch that Dr. Habib shares the same genuine caring and personal attention that you've come to expect at Optix.

For those of you wondering, Ellen will be accompanying me as we sail off into the sunset. Family and travel are our first priorities. In Ellen's place, Shakera will be joining Dr. Habib and become the new face of the optical gallery. With 30 years experience, and a real flair for fashion, she will continue to help you find that new and exciting addition to your eyewear wardrobe.

Good news! Optix will be resuming our holiday party tradition and sale in 2022 and we invite you all to come partake Saturday December 3rd, 2022. Email invitations will go out a few weeks in advance. Both Ellen and I will be there to help out and say our goodbyes in person! Please put this date on your calendar to join us!

With heartfelt thanks for letting me be part of your lives, I wish you all good health and happiness in the future.

Sincerely,

Dr. Robert Collins