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UNIVERSITY *of* PENNSYLVANIA

BACCALAUREATE CEREMONY

MAY 9, 2023

4:30PM

IRVINE AUDITORIUM

The Baccalaureate Ceremony

Baccalaureate is the ceremony during the Commencement Season in which University and student leaders address aspects of the moral life and its relation to liberal education through remarks, speeches, song, and readings from sacred texts. By history and practice the baccalaureate is associated with the bachelor's degree. As such, it is a distinctly undergraduate event.

Historically the Baccalaureate ceremony has religious origins in which a sermon was delivered. Today, however, as a testament to our religiously and culturally diverse student body, readings, and music from a broad range of cultures and traditions make the baccalaureate ceremony one in which a wide constituency of the graduating class may participate.

FLAG BEARERS

*Lauren Else & Bailey Hanson
Class of 2023*

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Perelman Quadrangle Staff

Listening devices available on request.

Prelude	Penn Brass Ensemble
Procession	Organist, Glenn Bryan <i>Assistant Vice President Community Relations</i>
Welcome	Chaz Howard <i>University Chaplain & Vice President for Social Equity and Community</i>
Land Acknowledgement	Lauren McDonald <i>Class of 2023</i>
Ceremony Leader	Carson Sheumaker <i>Class of 2023</i>
The Shehecheyanu	Avidan Baral & Leah Lerner <i>Class of 2023</i>
The Opening Verse of the Qur'an	Aisha Irshad & Johaer Jilani <i>Class of 2023</i>
The Beatitudes	Valerie Hanna & Jehuda Kusuma <i>Class of 2023</i>
A Selection from the Isa Upanishad	Arushi Aggarwal <i>Class of 2023</i>
A Reading from the Diamond Sutra	Hokua Tarnas <i>Class of 2023</i>
Music	Penn Brass Ensemble
Ceremony Leader	Thomas Kyong <i>Class of 2023</i>

Remarks

President Liz Magill
University of Pennsylvania

Ceremony Leader

Kayla Padilla
Class of 2023

**Ain't No Mountain
High Enough**

*by Nickolas Ashford
& Valerie Simpson*

Counterparts

Ceremony Leader

Tyler McCormick
Class of 2023

Dance Performance

Penn Lions

Remarks & Closing

Joel Olujide
Class Board 2023

Bricks on Locust

*Text by Chaz Howard
Music by Daniel Carsello*

University of Pennsylvania Glee Club

*The seniors told us these fleeting moments move swiftly
and soon they pass away.*

*May our memories hold us like bricks on Locust
hold footsteps every single day.*

Fare ye well, my friend, till we meet again either here or in the sky.

This is not the end; may our bond extend to a communion that will never die.

*The seniors told us these fleeting moments move swiftly
and soon they pass away.*

*May our memories hold us like bricks on Locust
hold footsteps every single day.*

*"The Red and Blue" shall ring when we return, each spring,
here to celebrate the past.*

And we'll know it's true, like the seniors do: the college bond forever lasts!

*The seniors told us these fleeting moments move swiftly
and soon they pass away.*

*May our memories hold us like bricks on Locust
hold footsteps every single day.*

Red and Blue

*Text by Harry E. Westervelt,
Music by William J. Goeckel*

University of Pennsylvania Glee Club

*Come all ye loyal classmates now,
In hall and campus through,
Lift up your hearts and voices
For the royal Red and Blue.
Fair Harvard has her crimson,
Old Yale her colors too,
But for dear Pennsylvan-i-a,
We wear the Red and Blue.
Hurrah! Hurrah! Pennsylvan-i-a,*

Dismissal

Chaz Howard

Recessional

Penn Band

*President Magill would like to invite all seniors
to College Green for the Class Carnival
at the conclusion of the ceremony.*



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