



HONORS DAY CONVOCATION  
SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY

MONDAY THE TWENTY-FIRST OF APRIL  
TWO THOUSAND AND EIGHT  
AT HALF PAST FIVE IN THE EVENING  
MCFARLIN MEMORIAL AUDITORIUM



## **CARILLON CONCERT AND CALL TO CONVOCATION**

Lorn L. Howard, Professor *Emeritus* of Electrical Engineering, Chief Marshal *Emeritus*

### **PROGRAM**

#### **THE ACADEMIC PROCESSION**

*La Pantomime; La Forqueray*

Jean-Philippe Rameau

from *Pieces de Clavecin en concerts*

Ellen Lovelace, violin; Stuart Cheney, viola da gamba; Larry Palmer, harpsichord

#### **WELCOME**

Thomas W. Tunks, Associate Provost for Educational Programs

#### **INVOCATION**

Lori S. White, Vice President of Student Affairs

#### **SPECIAL MUSIC**

*Rytmus*

Ivan Hrušovský

The Meadows Chorale

Pamela Elrod, Conductor

#### **INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER**

R. Gerald Turner, President of the University

#### **CONVOCATION ADDRESS**

*Success and Obedience: A List of Suggestions and Advice*

Willard Lester Spiegelman, Duwain E. Hughes, Jr. Distinguished Professor of English

#### **PRESENTATION OF HONOR SOCIETY INDUCTEES**

Thomas W. Tunks

#### **RECOGNITION OF NATIONAL FELLOWSHIP AWARDS**

Kathleen Hugley-Cook, Director of the Office of National Fellowships and Awards

#### **PRESENTATION OF DEPARTMENTAL AND SCHOOL AWARDS**

Thomas W. Tunks

#### **ANNOUNCED BY**

Ellen Pryor, Associate Provost for Honors and International Programs and

Homer R. Mitchell Professor of Law

#### **GREETED BY**

Caroline Brettell, Dedman College

José Antonio Bowen, Meadows School of the Arts

Albert W. Niemi, Jr., Edwin L. Cox School of Business

Geoffrey C. Orsak, School of Engineering

David J. Chard, Annette Caldwell Simmons School of Education and Human Development

#### **RECESSIONAL**

*Tambourins I and II*

Jean-Philippe Rameau

Ellen Lovelace, violin; Stuart Cheney, viola da gamba; Larry Palmer, harpsichord

*Reception immediately following ceremony*

*Grand Ballroom*

*Umpfrey Lee Center, Third Floor*

## HONOR SOCIETIES

### ROBERT STEWART HYER SOCIETY

Carissa Joy Barney  
Nabila Bari Choudhury  
Lauren D. Couch  
Ava Kersi Damri  
Alyssa Leigh Fornara  
Alexander Frolov  
Kathryn Denae Gotcher

John Joseph Howard  
Justin D. Hunt  
Hannah Rachel Kolni  
Charanya Krishnaswami  
Melinda M. Lang  
Patrick E. Littlefield  
Peter C. McCaffrey

Stacy Lee McElreath  
Jennifer Hannah Raad  
Nicole S. Schultz  
Allie St. Clair Showalter  
Christin Lauren Siems  
Nicholas H.M. Skefos

### PHI BETA KAPPA\*

Jeorgina J. Ahumada  
Farhad Shawn Amini  
Brittany Rae Artimez  
Robin L. Austin  
Kimber D. Bailey  
Carissa Joy Barney  
Jennifer E. Basel  
Bahaa Ahmad Bedair  
Amy Elaine Bennett  
Anne Elaine Berry  
Amanda Lanae Blakely  
Megan Elizabeth Bradway  
Amy S. Broihier  
Meagan Fuesel Buck  
Pamela P. Clifford  
Jennifer Lynn Collins  
Sara Michelle Corradi  
Brandon Taylor Darden  
Claire Summer Donovan  
Mallika Doss  
Whitney August Ehlin  
Julius Ifeanyi Ejiofor  
Hoda Ghanizadeh

Steve Hader  
Katherine Emilie Hall  
Emily Lane Ham  
Amy Michelle Hand  
Neusa Bianca Hart  
Lauren Haley Hill  
Taylor Alan Horton  
Wesley Matthew Jackson  
Matthew Thomas Jensen  
Ashton Marie Jeter  
Kouakou Prevost Kla  
Richard Gilbert Leon  
Charlene Crossland Lewis  
Daniel Kongan Liu  
James Kyle Longhofer  
Andrew S. Matza  
Peter C. McCaffrey  
Brittany Susan McCluskey  
Angeline Michelle Nguyen  
Hong-An Thi Nguyen  
Zoe Elizabeth Niesel  
Santiago Eduardo Nunez  
Alexandra Nicole Pappas

Elisabeth Eliska Parish  
Anjulie Meera Patel  
Lauren Farrell Powell  
Donya Victoria Quick  
Justin Manuel Ramirez  
Gurpreet S. Randhawa  
Bahareh Ravandi  
Joseph Blake Robie  
Alexandra Miller Shalvoy  
Allie St. Clair Showalter  
Rachel Elizabeth Simpson  
Allison Baxter Smith  
Lauren Sommers Smyth  
Barbara Starling Stewart  
Katlyn Mackie Thurlow  
Belen Assegid Tilahun  
Robert Trevino  
Aisha T. U-Kiu  
Lorelei Natasha Vandiver  
Kelvin Lal Varghese  
Brian Lee Walker  
Raqketa D'Lyese Williams  
Erica Lynn Wyman

### KAPPA TAU ALPHA\*

Jessica Kelilah Abraham  
Brooke Holland Anthony  
Elizabeth Dare Barnwell  
Mark Anthony Cohan  
Mary Kathleen Curnow  
Rachael Helen Dunlap  
Alexandra Nicole Edwards

Emily Kimball Garratt  
Whitney Allyson Harding  
Sylvia Marie Herrera  
Jill Elizabeth Imig  
Trish Alexandra Ireland  
Yelena Katchan  
Kara L. Maiella

Austin Huff Miller  
Whitney Meaghan Nichols  
Sarah Elizabeth Riser  
Jessica Kay Roska  
Courtney Elizabeth Sartor  
Abbie Christine Steffler  
Mary Elizabeth Terrell

### PI KAPPA LAMBDA\*

Andrew-John Bethke  
Lauren Camille Blackerby  
Adrienne Ruth Duvall  
John Joseph Henry  
Hammond

Francesco Mastromatteo  
Tiffany Marie Ogdon  
Timothy J. Roy  
John Ira Sabin, Jr.  
James David Tarbutton

Rachel Rose-Noel  
Yarborough

### BETA GAMMA SIGMA\*

Katherine Ilene Ackerson  
Ashley Dawn Meadows  
Allred  
Kimberley Anne Alvares  
Farhad Shawn Amini  
Jason Alexander Anderson  
Robin L. Austin  
Katherine C. Bartush  
Colby Christopher Bolin  
Nicole Marie Cangelosi  
Diem Hong Chau  
Samantha Rose Colletti  
Kathleen Mary Drablos  
Calvin Sharp Mitchell  
Enright  
Danilo Faria Coelho Da Silva  
Sarah Elizabeth Flume  
Andrew Robert Galloway  
Scott A. Geppert

Caitlin Suzanne Guenther  
Steve Hader  
Hafizan Golden Hamzah  
Haven Christine Harper  
Alexander John Haynes  
Elizabeth Collins Holub  
Brittney Nicole Honora  
Brian P. Horan  
Charles Houston Johnson, Jr.  
Paul Louis Johnston  
Jonathan Zachary Kayem  
Stephanie Christina Kokolis  
Anna Viktorovna Kuznetsova  
Lauren Ashley Leturno  
Olivia Alexandra Liland  
Victor John Linck III  
David Sean Luttrell  
Alison Kay Mabry  
Shanna Claire Maydew

Phuong Thuy Nguyen  
Shumaail H. Noorali  
Santiago Eduardo Nunez  
Regan Carmack Owen  
Alexander Dylan Page  
Gerardo Daniel Palos  
Bridget A. Perkowski  
Amanda Marie Roberts  
Wayne Anthony Rowe  
Jonnita Regina Sheppard  
Rachel Ellen Shirey  
Benjamin M. Shuleva  
Jonathan M. Sledge  
Zachary G. Upcheshaw  
Carley Catherine Westfall  
Sam White  
Ronald Regan Winters  
Yang Yang  
Jordan Phillip Zepeda

### TAU BETA PI\*

Drew Michael Aleto  
Sasha Jarek Almanza, Jr.  
Patrick D. Anderson  
Stephen N. Brown  
Angellia Marie Chandler  
Lauren Couch

Osman Alfonso De Leon  
Munoz  
Lee Langston Gracey  
Alexandra Madeleine Hill  
John Joseph Howard  
Andrew D. Monaco

Markus Neubauer  
Daniel Scott Reimer  
Daniel Villarica Salta  
Robert Michael Shea  
Jason Peter Smith

### PI LAMBDA THETA\*

Kimber D. Bailey

Jennifer Mary Hudson

Nima Surajjai Kapadia

\*Students who have received invitations to join but may not have been inducted.

## AWARDS

### DEDMAN COLLEGE

Robert and Nancy Dedman Outstanding Senior Student: Jessica Erwin  
Margaret Terry Crooks Award for Outstanding Student in Creative Writing:  
Robert G. Bralver  
David R. Russell Memorial Poetry Award: First Place – Beau A. Rice;  
Second Place – Keven M. Wilson  
SMU Fiction Prize: First Place – Lindsay Anne Golder; Second Place – Robert G. Bralver  
Thomas Arp Shakespeare Prize: Jessica Lynn Andrewartha  
Ann Early Award in Women’s Studies: M. Amanda Wall  
Betty Janette Maynard Award in Women’s Studies: Katrina R. Myers  
*Criteria* Award for Distinction in Rhetoric: Melinda M. Lang;  
Nicholas H.M. Skefos; Maeve McBride Wilson

### HUMANITIES

#### ENGLISH

Pascal Covici, Jr. Prize for Outstanding Essay in American Studies: Daniel James Bland  
Belle Mayer Bromberg Prize for Excellence: Jessica Erwin  
George Bond Poetry Prize: Anne Elizabeth Byerley  
Lon Tinkle Award in Creative Writing: Preston Christian Taylor

#### FOREIGN LANGUAGES AND LITERATURES

Megan Laird and Raiberio Comini Italian Language Award: Nicholas Harry Nikides  
Philip H. Solomon Awards in Foreign Languages and Literatures:  
Chinese: Victoria Marie Kean  
French: Mary Elizabeth Terrell  
German: Amy S. Broihier  
Hindi: Priyal Prakash-Snehal Desai; Katherine Sarah Ochsman  
Italian: Jessica Marie DiPiazza  
Japanese: Lacey D. Lee  
Latin: Amanda Marie Patterson  
Russian: Ashley Olson  
Spanish: Julie Ann Lutz

#### HISTORY

Herbert Pickens Gambrell Award for Outstanding Academic Achievement: Jessica Erwin  
Stanton Sharp Award for Outstanding Service and Academic Achievement: Amy Elaine Bennett  
Henry S. Jacobus Junior Paper Prize in History: Ross Campbell Smeltzer

#### MEDIEVAL STUDIES

Anne Whaling Book Prize in Medieval Studies: Erica Lynn Wyman

#### PHILOSOPHY

Isaac Gustave Bromberg Award for Outstanding Work in the Humanities: Whitney August Ehlin  
Hoskins Philosophy Essay Award: Aleem A. Dhalla  
Hausman Award for Excellence in the History of Western Philosophy: Christopher A. Simpson

## **RELIGIOUS STUDIES**

Isaac Gustave Bromberg Award for Outstanding Work in the Humanities:

Keith Paul Young III

Department of Religious Studies Writing Award: Alexis Marie Darrough

Harvey Paul Alper Award for Outstanding Work in an Eastern Religion:

Jennifer Ashley Camillo

## **SOCIAL SCIENCES**

### **ANTHROPOLOGY**

Edward I. and Peggy C. Fry Award for Academic Excellence in Undergraduate Anthropology:

Hannah Rachel Kolni

Outstanding Senior Students in Anthropology: Zoe Elizabeth Niesel; Benjamin Phillip Wells

### **ECONOMICS**

Economics Department Award for Excellence: Julie Ann Lutz

Dallas Economists' Club Nominee Award: Alan Shih-Lun Lin

Josef Hadar Award: Kouakou Prevost Kla

Wallace F. Lovejoy Memorial Award: Rachele Alexandra Dorvil

### **INTERNATIONAL STUDIES**

Franklin Balch Award for Academic Excellence in International Studies:

Katherine Jane Lanning

### **POLITICAL SCIENCE**

Ora Nixon Arnold Award for Academic Excellence: Ariel Dawn House

John Goodwin Tower Award: Courtney Elizabeth Sartor

### **PSYCHOLOGY**

Award for Outstanding Research by an Undergraduate in Psychology: Carissa Joy Barney

Psychology Department Senior Award for Outstanding Performance: Nicole Denise Roberts

### **SOCIOLOGY**

Walter T. and Helen B. Watson Prize in Sociology: Alyssa Leigh Fornara

## **NATURAL AND MATHEMATICAL SCIENCES**

### **BIOCHEMISTRY**

Outstanding Graduating Senior in Biochemistry: Julius Ifeanyi Ejiofor

### **BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES**

Outstanding Senior in Biological Sciences: Francis Michael Goldshmid

### **CHEMISTRY**

Charles T. Kenner Award in Chemistry: Lauren J. Lahey

### **EARTH SCIENCES**

Goodell-Richards Academic Excellence Award in Earth Sciences: Katherine G. Becker;

Breanna Lauren Gribble; Karen A. Gutierrez; Donya Victoria Quick

### **MATHEMATICS**

John Robert McCaw Merit Award: Brandon Chi Ha; Julie Ann Lutz

Charles J. Pipes Award for Outstanding Performance: Daniel Kongan Liu

### **PHYSICS**

Frank C. McDonald Memorial Award for Excellence in Physics: Alexander Weckiewicz

Robert Stewart Hyer Scholar Award: Kelvin Lal Varghese

## MEADOWS SCHOOL OF THE ARTS

### ADVERTISING

Temerlin Advertising Institute Award for Outstanding Academic Achievement in Advertising:  
Jill Elizabeth Imig  
Temerlin Advertising Institute Award for Outstanding Academic Achievement in Creative:  
Alexandra Nicole Edwards

### ART

Charley Aberg Travel Award: Janet Elaine DeLay  
Stephen D. Wilder Travel Award: Mila Louise Dreher  
Dan Wingren Award for Outstanding Senior: Allan Earnest Arp

### ART HISTORY

Alessandra Comini Award for an Outstanding Undergraduate Art History Major:  
Elizabeth Dare Barnwell  
Art History Division Outstanding Senior Award: Cortney Marie Garman

### CINEMA-TELEVISION

Outstanding Scholarly Achievement Award: Jessica Kelilah Abraham; Sylvia Marie Herrera;  
Austin Huff Miller  
Outstanding Creative Achievement in Cinema/Television Production: Jordan T. Mathis  
Nash Parsley Memorial Award for Outstanding Creative Achievement:  
Vienna Carolina Catalani

### CORPORATE COMMUNICATIONS & PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Outstanding Academic Achievement in Corporate Communications & Public Affairs:  
Kara L. Maiella; Abbie Christine Steffler  
Outstanding Corporate Communications & Public Affairs Students in Nonprofit Management:  
Kelly Ashton Carden; Kyle David Wilson  
Outstanding Corporate Communications & Public Affairs Student in Corporate  
Communications: Elizabeth Dare Barnwell  
Outstanding Corporate Communications & Public Affairs Student in Public Affairs:  
Sarah Elizabeth Riser

### DANCE

Award for Outstanding Achievement in Dance: Breanna Lauren Gribble; Tiffany Paige Halay

### JOURNALISM

Outstanding Achievement in Print Journalism: Mark William Norris  
Outstanding Achievement in Internet Journalism: Sylvia Marie Herrera  
Outstanding Achievement in Broadcast Journalism: Ann Wyatt Little

### MUSIC

The Undergraduate Award for Excellence in Music: Lauren Camille Blackerby; Jedidiah  
William Maus

### THEATRE

Undergraduate Award for Academic Excellence in the Division of Theatre: Elizabeth Ann  
Caldwell Hoye; Amelia Pauline Johnson; Karoline Marie Kuss

## **EDWIN L. COX SCHOOL OF BUSINESS**

Outstanding BBA Senior Award: Andrew Robert Galloway; Nicole Denise Roberts  
Dranguet “Boot Strap” Award: Merritt D. Dake  
Delta Sigma Pi Scholarship Key: Christine Mae Falgout; Hilary Dawn Prather

### **ACCOUNTING**

Outstanding Accounting Student Award: Wayne Anthony Rowe

### **FINANCE**

Outstanding Finance Major: Christopher Lyle Halstedt  
Distinguished Finance Majors: Norbert Nikodem Cichon; Gregory William Kitt; Benjamin  
M. Shuleva  
Outstanding Financial Consulting Major: Holland Whitney Burian  
Distinguished Financial Consulting Major: Maxwell Wrighter Farley

### **INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES AND OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT**

Accenture Outstanding Senior: Pablo Alberto Legorreta  
Society for Information Management International Award: William Brennen Cage; Ashley  
Shatara Payne

### **MANAGEMENT AND ORGANIZATIONS**

Nora Katherine Bilton Award for Management: Christine Mae Falgout; Nicole Denise Roberts

### **MARKETING**

Outstanding Marketing Major: Abbie Christine Steffler  
Distinguished Marketing Majors: Katie Elizabeth Adkins; Andrew Robert Galloway;  
Catherine Tucker Pressly; Melissa Ashley Schafer; Hillary Jean Whitehead  
J.C. Penney Center for Retail Excellence Outstanding Student Award: David Scott Ach

### **REAL ESTATE, LAW AND RISK MANAGEMENT**

Outstanding Real Estate Finance Majors: Nathanael Wayne Bennett; Emily Pinson Hutchison;  
Nadia Khan; Joseph Caleb Van Wingerden

### **STRATEGY AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP**

Outstanding Entrepreneurship Students: James Jeffrey Kauffman, Jr.; Eduardo Barclay Nihill;  
Matthew David Taylor

## **SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING**

The E.H. Flath Award: Kathryn Denae Gotcher  
The Mark Shepherd Award: Charity Britton Linstead  
The Ed M. Harrison Award: Charity Britton Linstead

### **COMPUTER SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING**

The Departmental Award in Computer Engineering: Christian Peter Christensen  
The Departmental Award in Computer Science: Alexander M. Hernandez  
The Rick A. Barrett Memorial Award: Kent Frank Spenner

### **ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING**

The Finley W. Tatum Award in Electrical Engineering: Alexandra Madeleine Hill  
The Sally Blum Memorial Prize in Electrical Engineering: Ali Shams; Bryan Harris Shnider;  
Bahir Riyaaz Tayob

### **ENGINEERING MANAGEMENT, INFORMATION AND SYSTEMS**

The Departmental Award in Engineering Management, Information and Systems: Brandon  
Chi Ha  
The Francisco Villagrán Molina Memorial Award: Ellen Denise Cieszkiewicz

### **ENVIRONMENTAL AND CIVIL ENGINEERING**

The Departmental Award for Civil Engineering: Christina Irene Chermak  
The Departmental Award for Environmental Engineering: Reagan Courtney Myers  
The Environmental and Civil Engineering Award for Excellence in Design: Christina Irene  
Chermak; Christina Marie Denissen; Nelson Timothy Hernandez; Brittany Anne Ruth  
McArthur; Christopher Ferrell Petty

### **MECHANICAL ENGINEERING**

The Harold A. Blum Award in Mechanical Engineering: James Karl Catoe  
The Sally Blum Memorial Prize in Mechanical Engineering: Owen Ransom Clark; Ryan  
Christopher Strider

## **ANNETTE CALDWELL SIMMONS SCHOOL OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT**

Outstanding Pre-service Educator: Madison Ashley Hill

**PLATFORM PARTY**

José Antonio Bowen, Dean of Meadows School of the Arts  
Caroline Brettell, Dean *ad interim* of Dedman College  
David J. Chard, Dean of Annette Caldwell Simmons School of Education and  
Human Development  
David Doyle, Director of the University Honors Program  
Gary Evans, President of the Faculty Senate  
Kathleen Hugley-Cook, Director of the Office of National Fellowships and Awards  
Robert Van Kemper, Platform Marshal  
Albert W. Niemi, Jr., Dean of Edwin L. Cox School of Business  
Geoffrey C. Orsak, Dean of the School of Engineering  
Ellen Pryor, Associate Provost for Honors and International Programs and the Homer R.  
Mitchell Professor of Law  
Carl Sewell, Chair of the SMU Board of Trustees  
Willard Lester Spiegelman, Duwain E. Hughes, Jr. Distinguished Professor of English  
Thomas W. Tunks, Associate Provost for Educational Programs  
R. Gerald Turner, President of the University  
Lori S. White, Vice President for Student Affairs

**BANNER BEARERS**

Gail Hartin, Kevin Hofeditz, Gary Moskowitz, Robert Pocklington, Marc Valerin

**GUILD OF MARSHALS**

Bradley Kent Carter, Chief Marshal  
Lorn L. Howard, Chief Marshal *Emeritus*  
Thomas B. Fomby, Procession Marshal  
Jeffery L. Kennington, Andrew Parker, Marion G. Sobel, Jutta Van Selm, School Marshals  
Benjamin H. Johnson, Thomas Osang, Dennis Simon, Honor Society Marshals  
Charles E. Curran, William J. Pulte, Linda Brewster Stearns, Faculty Marshals



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