

Yale University

Three Hundred Twenty-Third Commencement

May 20, 2024

New Haven, Connecticut

PROCESSIONAL

March Processional Nino Marcelli, 1890-1967

Crown Imperial (Coronation March) Sir William Turner Walton, 1902–1983

Elsa's Procession Richard Wagner, 1813-1883

Apotheosis, Opus 15 Hector Berlioz, 1803-1869

Please stand as you are comfortable while the university color guard processes up the center aisle, and remain standing during the president's and chaplain's remarks.

GREETINGS

Peter Salovey University President

PRAYER

Maytal Saltiel University Chaplain

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES

Please be seated.

Pericles Lewis Dean of Yale College

Deborah Berke Dean of the School of Architecture

Kymberly Pinder Stavros Niarchos Foundation Dean of the School of Art

James Bundy Elizabeth Parker Ware Dean of the David Geffen School of Drama

José García-León Henry and Lucy Moses Dean of the School of Music

Azita Emami Dean of the School of Nursing

Ingrid C. Burke Carl W. Knobloch, Jr. Dean of the School of the Environment

Kerwin K. Charles Indra K. Nooyi Dean of the School of Management

Gregory E. Sterling The Reverend Henry L. Slack Dean of the Divinity School

Heather Gerken Dean of Yale Law School

Lynn Cooley Dean of the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences

Megan L. Ranney Dean of the School of Public Health

Nancy J. Brown Jean and David W. Wallace Dean of the School of Medicine

James A. Levinsohn Dean of the Yale Jackson School of Global Affairs

Lynn Cooley *Dean of the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences* (conferral of doctoral degrees)

HYMN

Please stand as you are comfortable.

Psalm LXV: Thy Praise Alone. Tune: York

This hymn was sung in 1718 at the first Commencement after the naming of Yale College and has been sung in every century since. The fourth verse was composed by Robert Blocker, dean of the School of Music from 1995 to 2023, for the university tercentennial.



Thy praise alone, O Lord, doth reign In Sion thine own hill; Their vows to thee they do maintain, And evermore fulfill.

For that thou dost their pray'rs still hear And dost thereto agree; Thy people all both far and near With trust shall come to thee.

Of thy great justice hear, O God, Our health of thee doth rise; The hope of all the earth abroad, And the sea-coasts likewise.

We dedicate our lives anew
That light and truth will shine
Throughout the world, O God, we pray,
To all of humankind.

CONFERRAL OF HONORARY DEGREES

Please be seated.

Peter Salovey University President Scott Allan Strobel University Provost

Since the Commencement of 1702, certain distinguished persons, selected by the Yale Corporation, have received honorary degrees. The provost announces the name of each recipient, an honorary marshal places a hood over the shoulders of the recipient, and the president reads a citation and confers the degree.

HYMN

Please stand as you are comfortable.

Let Light and Truth Suffuse the Mind. Tune: Duke Street

These words were written for Yale Commencement exercises by Thomas H. Troeger, B.A. 1967, professor emeritus at the Yale Divinity School, and first sung in 2018.



Let light and truth suffuse the mind And spread throughout the shadowed heart As what we know is redefined Through science, scholarship, and art.

Our founders knew that faith requires
The discipline of sturdy thought.
They trusted that the spirit's fires
Burn brightest where the truth is sought.

We've learned the wisest prayer they prayed Was that "more light" would guide their ways; For we, like them, have been remade By unexpected, slanted rays.

So let the gift of gathered light Pervade the ways we learn and know, Awaking wonder and delight While knowledge, truth, and wisdom grow.

BENEDICTION

Gregory E. Sterling The Reverend Henry L. Slack Dean of the Divinity School

RECESSIONAL

Slava! Leonard Bernstein, 1918–1990 Afro-American Symphony: III. Animato William Grant Still, 1895–1978

Guests are asked to remain at their seats until all the graduates have left Old Campus.

HONORARY DEGREE RECIPIENTS

Mahzarin R. Banaji Doctor of Social Science
Stephen Breyer Doctor of Laws
Mario R. Capecchi Doctor of Science
Risa Lavizzo-Mourey Doctor of Medical Sciences
László Lovász Doctor of Engineering and Technology
Judith Rodin Doctor of Humane Letters
Hortense J. Spillers Doctor of Humanities
Kehinde Wiley '01 M.F.A. Doctor of Fine Arts

ABOUT THE HONORANDS



The tradition of awarding honorary degrees at Yale began in 1702. Conferred by the university's board of trustees, these degrees recognize pioneering achievement or exemplary contribution to the common good. Recipients, by their example, encourage the graduates to value creativity, curiosity, discipline, integrity, and a passion for public service. To read about the recipients, hover your phone's camera over the code at left.

PROCESSION AND HERALDRY



Music throughout the ceremony is performed by the Yale University Concert Band, conducted by Thomas Christopher Duffy. Singing is led by the Yale Glee Club, directed by Jeffrey Jay Douma. The Yale Memorial Carillon is played by members of the Yale University Guild of Carilloneurs. To learn about schools' and colleges' heraldic banners, Commencement history, and the procession party, hover your phone's camera over the code at left.

2024 DEGREE RECIPIENTS



Graduates will receive their diplomas during school and college ceremonies following Commencement exercises. To view a listing of all Yale 2024 degree recipients, hover your phone's camera over the code at left.

An accessible PDF of this program, as well as a captioned broadcast of the ceremony, can be found on the Yale 2024 website: yale2024.yale.edu.

