Fall Convocation



Wednesday • September 12, 2018 • 3:30pm • The Chapel

Vassar College

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Processional:

(All standing)

Prelude and Fugue in d minor, Op. 98

Alexander Glasunow (1865-1936)

Gail Archer, college organist

The Convocation Choir:

My Spirit Sang All Day

Gerald Finzi (1901-1956)

Text by Robert Bridges (1844–1930)

My spirit sang all day My jealous ears grew whist;

O my joy.

Nothing my tongue could say, Music from heaven is't, Only My joy! Sent for our joy?

My heart an echo caught

She also came and heard;

O my joy,

And spake, What, said she, is this word?

Tell me thy thought, What is thy joy?
Hide not thy joy. And I replied,
My eyes gan peer around, O see, O my joy,

O my joy 'Tis thee, I cried, 'tis thee:

What beauty hast thou found? Thou art my joy.

Shew us thy joy.

Christine Howlett, director of choral activities

Welcome:

Carlos Alamo-Pastrana, interim dean of the college

Remarks:

Elizabeth H. Bradley, president, Vassar College

Alumnae/i Association of Vassar College (AAVC) award presentations:

Stephen Hankins '85, P'13,'17, president of the AAVC

Sharon Chang '84, P'19, alumnae/i recognition committee chair

Young Alumnae/i Achievement or Service Award

Xiaoyuan "Charlene" Ren '13

Distinguished Achievement Award

Lynn Povich '65

Remarks:

Tamar Ballard '19, president, V.S.A.

Convocation Address:

"You Will Not Remember All of This"

Amitava Kumar

Professor of English on the Helen D. Lockwood Chair

The Convocation Choir and Community:

(All standing)

Gaudeamus Igitur, Arr. Geer/Bartholomew

Christine Howlett, director of choral activities

All: Gaudeamus igitur, iuvenes dum sumus! Gaudeamus igitur, iuvenes dum sumus!

Post iucundam iuventutem, Post molestam senectutem Nos habebit humus,

Nos habebit humus.

Choir: Vivat academia, vivant professores,

Vivat academia, vivant professores, Vivat membrum quod libet, Vivant membra quae libet,

Semper sint in flore, Semper sint in flore.

All: Alma mater floreat quae nos educavit,

Alma mater floreat quae nos educavit,

Caros et commilitones Dissitas in regiones, Sparsos congregavit,

Sparsos congregavit,

She who has reared us
And brought us together,
dear companions,
Scattered though we have been

Let us rejoice, therefore,

After a troublesome old age

Long live the professors, Long live each individual member

Long live all members whosoever

May our alma mater flourish,

While we are young. After a pleasant youth

The earth will have us.

Long live the academy,

And always be in flower

Into remote regions.

Closing:

Rev. Samuel H. Speers

Recessional:

(Remain standing until academic procession has exited)

Fanfare

Bogdan Kotyuk (b. 1951)

Gail Archer, college organist

Ice cream social on the Chapel Lawn immediately following the ceremony

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