

Coming Back & *Moving Forward*

A PRINCETON UNIVERSITY CONFERENCE
FOR BLACK PRINCETON ALUMNI

October 22-24, 2009



Thursday, October 22, 2009

- 2:00 – 8:00 p.m.** **Conference Registration at Maclean House**
- 4:00 – 5:30 p.m.** **Coming Back: Rediscovering the Campus**
Consecutive 20 minute docent-led tours of the exhibit, *Life Objects: Rites of Passage in African Art*, at the Princeton University Art Museum.
- Student-led campus tours of new spaces will start at Maclean House at 4:00 p.m. and end at Chancellor Green.
- 5:30 – 6:45 p.m.** **Welcome Back Reception at Chancellor Green Rotunda**
- 7:00 – 8:15 p.m.** **Presidential Race: Barack Obama and Blackness in America**
Michael Eric Dyson *93, University Professor of Sociology, Georgetown University
Location: McCosh 50

Friday, October 23, 2009

- 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.** **Conference Registration at Maclean House**
- 8:00 – 9:15 a.m.** **Breakfast Gatherings**
Informal breakfast; tables will be hosted by University administrators for alumni interested in chatting on a variety of different topics, from diversity in the workplace to Community House, from sustainability to the campus plan.
- Get your burning questions answered by Mark Burstein h83, Executive Vice President; Amy Campbell, Director, Campus Life Initiative; Beverly Hamilton-Chandler, Director, Career Services; Michael Cross, Executive Associate Director, Athletics; Marguerite D'Aprile-Smith, Director, Public Relations and Communications, Peter B. Lewis Center for the Arts; Terri Harris Reed, Vice Provost for Institutional Equity and Diversity; Kiki Jamieson, Director, Pace Center; Sanjeev Kulkarni P09, Master, Butler College; Melissa A. Lyles, Graduate Program Office Director, WWS; Robert Martinez, Manager of Diversity and Inclusion; Ron McCoy*80, University Architect; Cordelia Persen, Executive Director, Princeton in Africa; Wardell Robinson-Moore, Executive Director, Princeton-Blairstown Center; Lianne Sullivan-Crowley, Vice President, Human Resources; Marjorie Young, Director, Community House; and more.
- Location: Alexander Beach Tent*



Friday, October 23, 2009

8:00 – 9:15 a.m. Breakfast Gatherings (continued)

H. Vincent Poor *77, Dean of the School of Engineering, will host a breakfast for science and engineering alumni to meet new faculty member Rodney Priestly, Assistant Professor of Chemical Engineering.

Location: Friend Convocation Room

9:30 – 10:15 a.m. Welcome Back: Setting the Stage for the Conference

Remarks by Dennis Brownlee '74 S77, Charter Trustee; Stephen A. Oxman '67, Chair of the Executive Committee of the Princeton University Board of Trustees, and Robert K. Durkee '69, Vice President and Secretary.

Location: Richardson Auditorium

10:15 – 11:30 a.m. The Student Experience Today: An Update from University Administrators

Moderated by Lauren Robinson-Brown '85, Assistant Vice President, Office of Communications

Panelists:

Makeba Clay, Director of the Carl A. Fields Center for Equality and Cultural Understanding
Karen Jackson-Weaver '94 S92, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and Diversity, Office of the Dean of the Graduate School

Robin Moscato, Director of Undergraduate Financial Aid

Janet Rapelye h80, Dean of Admission

Location: Richardson Auditorium

11:30 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. The Student Experience Today: Student Life

Moderated by Janet Dickerson h52 h65, Vice President for Campus Life

Student Panelists: Jared Crooks '11, Daniel Dickerson '10, W. Keith Griffin '10, Margaret Harris '11 and Shannon Walker '11.

Location: Richardson Auditorium

12:30 – 1:45 p.m. Luncheon and Presentation on Faculty Recruitment

David Dobkin P06 P10, Dean of the Faculty and the Phillip Y. Goldman '86 Professor in Computer Science and Eddie Glaude *97 h83, William S. Tod Professor of Religion and African American Studies and Chair of the Center for African American Studies

Location: Alexander Beach Tent

2:00 – 3:00 p.m. Academic Discussions with Faculty

- **Medieval and Early Modern African Literature**

Wendy Belcher, Assistant Professor of Comparative Literature

Location: McCosh 64

- **Mediating African American Religion**

Wallace Best, Professor of Religion and Judith Weisenfeld, Professor of Religion

Location: McCosh 62

- **The Racial Achievement Gap in the United States**

Angel L. Harris, Assistant Professor of Sociology and African American Studies

Location: McCosh 46



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- 2:00 – 3:00 p.m. Academic Discussions with Faculty** (continued)
- **How Science and Technology Redefine Culture**
William A. Massey '77, Edwin S. Wilsey Professor
Department of Operations Research and Financial Engineering
Location: McCosh 10
 - **The President and the Pauper: The Dueling Forces of Opportunity and Exclusion in Contemporary African American Life**
Imani Perry, Professor in the Center for African American Studies
Location: McCosh 50
- 3:00 – 3:15 p.m. Afternoon Snack Break**
Location: McCosh Courtyard
- 3:15 – 4:15 p.m. Conversation with President Shirley M. Tilghman**
Location: McCosh 50
- 4:15 – 5:15 p.m. Looking Forward: Reflections of Black Princeton Alumni**
Melvin McCray '74 S75 will present his documentary based on interviews from the 2006 *Coming Back and Looking Forward* conference
Location: McCosh 50
- 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. Graduate School Reception and Open House hosted by Dean William Russel P99 P01**
Location: Prospect House Library
- 6:15 – 8:45 p.m. Reception and Dinner**
Remarks by Kenneth M. Bruce '83, Assistant Treasurer of the Alumni Council and former President of the Association of Black Princeton Alumni
- Keynote address, *Brother West: Living and Loving Out Loud*, presented by
Cornel West '80 h76 h94, Class of 1943 University Professor in the Center for
African American Studies
Location: Alexander Beach Tent
- 9:00 p.m. Artistry in Motion – Performances by Students, Faculty and Alumni Representatives of the Black Princeton Community**
Princeton University Highsteppers; Princeton University Gospel Ensemble;
Edisa Weeks, Lecturer in Dance and the Lewis Center for the Arts; Allen K. Williams '12;
Black Arts Company | Drama; Old NasSoul; Princeton University Players;
Kwanza Jones '93 S94; Black Arts Company | Dance; and Culturally Yours Alumnae.
The evening's emcees will be Casey Ford Alexander '10 and Miriam Camara '10.
Location: Richardson Auditorium

Saturday, October 24, 2009

8:00 a.m. – 6:30 p.m. Conference Registration at Maclean House



Saturday, October 24, 2009

8:00 – 9:00 a.m.

Continental Breakfast To Go

Location: McCosh Courtyard (Rain Location: Maclean House)

9:15 – 10:15 a.m.

Moving Forward in Thought and Action: Dialogues with Alumni

- **Finance in a Time of Uncertainty**

Moderated by C. Kim Goodwin '81 S81, Board of Directors, Akamai; Former Managing Director and Global Head of Equities, Credit Suisse

Panelists:

Laurence C. Morse *80, Managing Partner, Fairview Capital Partners and Board Member, Princeton Investment Company (PRINCO)

Stephen A. Oxman '67, Senior Advisor, Morgan Stanley and Chair of the Executive Committee of the Princeton University Board of Trustees

James S. Shepard '78 S81, Managing Partner, GenNx360 Capital Partners

Location: McCosh 66

- **Contemporary Healthcare and the Black Patient**

Moderated by Vietta L. Johnson, M.D. '82, MPH, FAAOS; Chair, Division of Orthopaedic Surgery, St. Margaret Mercy Hospital Center and Clinical Assistant Professor, Loyola University

Panelists:

Henri R. Ford, M.D. '80 S82, Vice President and Surgeon-in-Chief, Children's Hospital of Los Angeles

Yvonne Gomez-Carrion, M.D., F.A.C.O.G. '79, Assistant Professor and Supervisor, Resident Surgical Service in Obstetrics and Gynecology, Harvard Medical School

Christopher J. Leggett, M.D. '82 P12, Interventional Cardiologist and 2007 Physician Honoree of the Year from the American Heart Association

Location: McCosh 46

- **Careers in Law: Where They Lead**

Moderated by Patricia Vaughan '81, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary, The Population Council, Inc.

Panelists:

Sheila S. Boston '90, Partner, Kaye Scholer LLP

Valerie L. Kelly '84, Assistant Attorney General, Arkansas Attorney General's Office

Shani Moore Weatherby '02, Associate, Kirkland & Ellis and Special Deputy City Prosecutor

Location: McCosh 28

- **Writers in Our Midst**

Moderated by Jeffrey Young '83, Executive Director and COO, Washington, D.C. Lottery and Charitable Games Control Board and Author of "Are You Ineffective? Discovering and Resolving the 202 Sure Signs of Ineffectiveness"

Panelists:

Hilary Beard '84, Writer, Ghostwriter, Editor and *New York Times* bestselling author

Christopher Chambers '82, Author and Professor, Georgetown University

Carla Williams '86, Writer and Photographer

Location: McCosh 62



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9:15 – 10:15 a.m. Moving Forward in Thought and Action: Dialogues with Alumni (continued)

- **Leading Innovation in Education: K-12**

Moderated by R. David Addams '78, Executive Director, The Oliver Scholars Program

Panelists:

Hans E. Hageman '80, Executive Director, Boys and Girls Harbor

Janella Hinds '93, Special Representative, United Federation of Teachers

Leslie-Bernard Joseph '06, Dean of Students, Coney Island Prep

Brian Taylor '84, Head of View Park Preparatory Accelerated Charter Schools, and
Senior Vice President, Inner City Educational Foundation

Location: McCosh10

- **Entertainment Today: Opportunities Onscreen and Behind the Scenes**

Moderated by Crystal Nix-Hines '85, Writer and Princeton University Trustee

Panelists:

Jean Michelle Grier '89, Actress, *Disney's The Lion King on Broadway*

Rose Catherine Pinkney '86, Head of Television, Cinema Gypsy Productions,
CBS Paramount

Hue Rhodes '94, Writer and Director, *Saint John of Las Vegas* with
Executive Producer Spike Lee

Tina Treadwell '80, President, Executive Producer and Entertainment Manager,
Treadwell Entertainment Group

Location: McCosh 64

10:15 – 10:30 p.m. Morning Break

Location: McCosh Courtyard

10:30 – 11:30 a.m. Moving Forward in Thought and Action: Session II

- **Entrepreneurship in a Rapidly Changing World**

Moderated by John "Jay" Weaver, Jr. '92 S94, CEO and Co-Founder, Reunion Technologies

Panelists:

Othniel D. Palomino '85, President, The Palomino Group

Omar Simmons '92, Director, Windjammer Capital

Brian Stephenson '78, President, Qodesh CM

Hon. Mozelle W. Thompson *80, CEO, Thompson Strategic Consulting; member, Facebook
Advisory Board and former Federal Trade Commission Commissioner

Location: McCosh 46

- **Achieving Social Transformation: Using Inventive Ideas to Reshape Lives**

Moderated by Roland C. Warren '83 S85, President, National Fatherhood Initiative

Panelists:

Della Britton Baeza '74, President and CEO, Jackie Robinson Foundation, Inc.

Gabriela E. Morris '77 S74, President, The Prudential Foundation

Sheldon Nix '78 P10, *President, Successful Practice Institute*

Location: McCosh 28



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10:30 – 11:30 a.m. Moving Forward in Thought and Action: Dialogues with Alumni (continued)

- **Making the Major Leagues: From Princeton to the Pros**

Moderated by Rick Hyde, Jr. '75, Managing Attorney, William R. Hyde, Jr., Esq. & Associates and The Hyde Entertainment Group, Washington, D.C.

Panelists:

Chris Chaney '07, President and Chief Executive Officer, Chaney Sports Group LLC

Sydney A. Johnson '97 S97, Head Coach, Princeton University Men's Basketball

Stephen C. Mills '81, Magic Johnson Enterprises

Jill Pilgrim '80, General Counsel, Ladies Professional Golf Association

Location: McCosh 64

- **Young Alumni Making Exciting Career Choices**

Moderated by Catherine Toppin '02, Patent Attorney; Associate, Edwards, Angell, Palmer & Dodge

Panelists:

Kevin M. Ghorm '99, Business Development Manager, Sony Pictures Television

Nneka Nwosu '05, News Reporter, CBS and Fox Affiliates in Rhode Island

Wade A. Rakes II '02, MBA Candidate, University of Michigan, Stephen M. Ross School of Business and former Director of Public Liaison and Senior Advisor to Ohio Governor Ted Strickland

Nuriya D. Robinson, M.D. '02, Obstetrics and Gynecology Resident at the University of California, San Francisco and Global Health Clinical Scholar

Location: McCosh 66

- **The New Face of Politics**

Moderated by Glenn Ivey '83, State's Attorney, Prince George County (MD)

Panelists:

Leslie Bond '79, Obama Campaign; Senior Managing Director, Attucks Asset Management LLC

John W. Rogers, Jr. '80, Chairman and CEO, Ariel Investments, LLC; Co-Chair, Obama for America National Finance Committee and Co-Chair, Presidential Inaugural Committee

Terri A. Sewell '86, Candidate for Congress (Alabama 7th District) and Law Partner, Maynard Cooper & Gale, Birmingham, AL

Location: McCosh 10

- **Career Change and Growth**

Moderated by Donna Marie Sotolongo, Psy.D. '77 S77, EVP and Managing Partner, Student Funding Group and the related companies; CEO, Sotolongo Consulting Associates and Managing Partner, Platinum Connection

Panelists:

Kevin Dowdell '83, Founder and Director, A-Tennis & Learning Program; Former COO, Boys & Girls Club of Greater Washington

Dr. Badi Foster *74, President, Phelps-Stokes Fund

Joseph L. Robinson II '04 S04, Associate, Forsyth Street Advisors

Location: McCosh 62

11:45 a.m.

Group Photo

Location: Clio Hall Steps (Rain Location: Chancellor Green Rotunda)



Saturday, October 24, 2009

12:30 – 1:45 p.m. Luncheon and Presentation
Remarks by Juanita James '74, Chief Marketing and Communications Officer, Pitney Bowes
Location: Alexander Beach Tent

2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Making an Impact
Participate in an interactive session focusing on alumni engagement followed by conversation with Dennis Brownlee '74 S77, Charter Trustee, and Brent Henry '69 P91, Trustee Emeritus and former Chair of the Alumni Council, about *Connect: A Black Alumni Leadership Initiative*
Location: McCosh 10

4:00 – 6:00 p.m. Afternoon Break

4:30 – 5:30 p.m. Graduate Alumni Roundtable Discussion
Inside the Ivory Tower: African-Americans and the State of Graduate Education
Panelists:
Lasana Harris, Ph.D. *07, Obery M. Hendricks, Ph.D. *95, Andrea Morris, Ph.D. *99, Pamela Scott-Johnson, Ph.D. *89, and Leah Wright, Ph.D. *09.
Location: Computer Science 105

6:00 – 7:15 p.m. Reception to Welcome the Carl A. Fields Center for Equality and Cultural Understanding and Community House to Their New Home at 58 Prospect
President Shirley M. Tilghman will preside over the ceremony to celebrate the newly renovated 58 Prospect at 6:00 p.m. Reception will follow.

Student-led tours will be available beginning at 5:00 p.m.

Shuttles from 58 Prospect to Richardson Auditorium will run from 6:45 p.m. to 7:15 p.m.

7:30 – 9:00 p.m. America Looks Back: How Will We Move Forward?
Dinner and Closing Address by Professor Eddie Glaude *97 h83
Location: Alexander Beach Tent

Shuttles from Richardson Auditorium to 58 Prospect will run from 9:00 p.m. to 9:45 p.m.

9:00 p.m. – midnight Desserts and Dancing with DJs Robert Lyles and Record in Motion
Location: 58 Prospect

Sunday, October 25, 2009

9:30 – 11:00 a.m. Gospel Fellowship Gathering and Remembrance Service
Come together for an opportunity for fellowship and remembrance before leaving campus this weekend. Coffee and danish will be provided.
Reverend Doctor Sheldon Nix '78, Senior Pastor, Life Worth Living Fellowship, Wilmington, Delaware with members of the Princeton University Gospel Choir
Location: Hamilton Murray Theater, Murray-Dodge Hall



Conference Parking

Weekdays

During regular business hours (Monday through Friday, 8:45 a.m. to 5 p.m.), on-campus parking is limited. Please park in the public lots on Chambers, Hulfish or Spring Streets, or in Lot 21 (near Jadwin Gym) or Lot 23 (at the south end of campus). A free campus shuttle operates frequently from both lots during weekdays until the early evening.

Evening & Weekends

From 5 p.m. to 2 a.m. on weekdays and from 6 a.m. to 2 a.m. on Saturdays and Sundays, most of the University's numbered parking lots, including Lot 21, Lot 23 and West Garage (near Baker Rink) are open to visitors. Garage 3, on Prospect Street, is recommended for the events at 58 Prospect on Saturday and Lot 10, on Williams Street, is recommended for the Fellowship Gathering at Murray-Dodge Theatre on Sunday. Most campus shuttles do not operate on weekends.

Overnight parking is not permitted in campus lots at any time.

