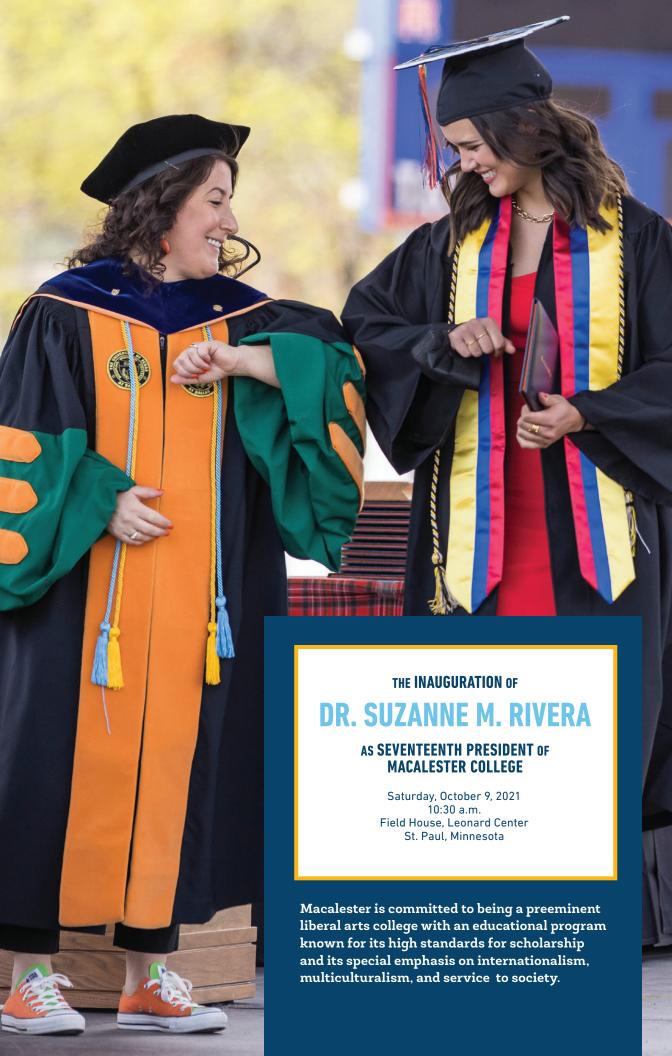


### THE INAUGURATION OF

## DR. SUZANNE M. RIVERA

AS SEVENTEENTH PRESIDENT OF MACALESTER COLLEGE





#### THE PRESIDENT



Dr. Suzanne M. Rivera became Macalester College's 17th president on June 1, 2020. Having worked in higher education for 25 years, Dr. Rivera is an accomplished leader, instructor, researcher, and scholar. She is an advocate for social justice and brings a strong commitment to inclusion and equity to her role as president.

Prior to her appointment at Macalester, Rivera was the Vice President for Research and Technology Management at Case Western Reserve University in

Cleveland, Ohio. She also served on the faculty in the Departments of Bioethics and Pediatrics at CWRU, leading original research projects funded by the National Institutes of Health, the federal Office of Research Integrity, and The Cleveland Foundation.

Rivera previously served as Vice President for Research Administration at UT Southwestern Medical School in Dallas, Texas, where she also was a faculty member in the Department of Clinical Sciences, and at the University of California-Irvine campus as an instructor and administrator.

A national expert in research ethics, Dr. Rivera frequently is invited to speak about a variety of topics related to biomedical research and science policy. She has published numerous articles, essays, and book chapters that explore the moral dimensions of informed consent, use of human specimens, and protection of research subject privacy. She co-edited the book Specimen Science, published by MIT Press in 2017.

She has held numerous leadership roles in a variety of professional societies and governmental advisory bodies. She currently is the Chair of the Board of Public Responsibility in Medicine & Research (PRIM&R) and serves as an elected member-at-large of the Section on Social, Economic & Political Sciences of the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS). Rivera also is an appointed member of the Executive Committee of the Minnesota Governor's Young Women's Initiative and of the City of St. Paul's Community First Public Safety Commission. She is a member of the Science Museum of Minnesota's Board of Trustees, the College Possible Board of Directors, and the TeenSHARP National Advisory Board. Previously, she served on the boards of the Council on Governmental Relations (COGR) and the National Council of University Research Administrators (NCURA). Rivera also served as an appointed member of the US DHHS Secretary's Advisory Committee on Human Research Protections and the Environmental Protection Agency's Human Studies Review Board.

Dr. Rivera earned her BA in American Civilization from Brown University, a Master of Social Work degree from the University of California–Berkeley, and a doctorate in Public Affairs with an emphasis on health policy from the University of Texas at Dallas.

She and her husband, American literature scholar Dr. Michael Householder, have two adult children: son Antonio (married to Eliza) and daughter Elena.

#### THE INAUGURATION CEREMONY

#### **Prelude**

Macalester College African Music Ensemble Sowah Mensah. Director

#### **Processional**

Michael Breidenbach '96, Director of Piping Macalester College Pipe Band

#### **Order of Procession**

Bearers of the Flags of the United States, the United Nations, and the Countries of Macalester Students

Faculty Marshal

Delegates from Colleges, Universities, Learned Societies, and Professional Associations

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The Platform Party

The President

Faculty Marshal

#### Welcome

Shreya Nagdev '22 Macalester College Student Government President

#### **Invocation**

The Reverend Kelly J. Stone College Chaplain and Associate Dean

#### The Alma Mater

Please rise and join in singing the Alma Mater-lyrics on page 7.

Led by Professor Michael McGaghie
Director of Choral Activities

### Land Acknowledgement and Greetings from the Synod of Lakes and Prairies

Elder Elona Street-Stewart, P'99 Synod Executive, Synod of Lakes and Prairies, Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

#### THE INAUGURATION CEREMONY

#### **Poem**

An original poem for the Macalester community to mark the occasion of President Rivera's Inauguration. Written and shared by Professor Michael Prior, English.

#### **Musical Selection**

Adenkum

Akan women's musical genre from Ghana Macalester College African Music Ensemble Sowah Mensah, *Director* 

#### **Introduction of Keynote Speaker**

Carrie Norbin Killoran '94 Chair, Macalester College Board of Trustees

#### **Keynote Address**

Dr. Fayneese Miller President, Hamline University

#### **Installation and Presentation of Ceremonial Transcript**

Carrie Norbin Killoran '94 Chair, Macalester College Board of Trustees

#### **Inaugural Address**

Onward, Together Dr. Suzanne M. Rivera

#### **Dance Performance**

Fanga

Fanga is a welcome dance based on a traditional Liberian invocation for the sky and earth.

Performed by the Brown Spirits Dance Ensemble Choreographed, directed, and song arrangement by Patricia Brown, Instructor

Dancers' costumes by MaryBeth Gagner, Costume Shop Manager & Costumer

Johanan Arimi '22 Chevonne Kwarisiima '24

Karin Davey '18 Michelle Osiro '24

Ousseynou Doumbouya '23 Christian Reece '19

Feven Leake Gebresilassie '23 Yuri Smith '18

Maud Grauer '19 Niara Williams '18

Music by the Macalester College African Music Ensemble Music arranged and directed by Sowah Mensah, *Director* 

Ashante Alford '18 Geovanny Martinez Rodriguez '25

Aidan Alls '22 Nii Mensah Nick Andrew Suchomel '25 Oki Mensah

Johan Azambou Ndongmo '24 Joseph Mogul '23
Ginnetho Boateng '24 Chloe Nance '24
Emma Curchin '22 Joe Ntayagabiri '24

Rosalino Deleon-Otazu '25 Sheida Rashidi Ardestani '23

Josephine Fernholz '24 Carmen Servon '25

Valeska Fresquet Kohan '23 Parker Summers '25

Sohini Ghosh '18 Jared Willard '15

Ting-Chien Huang '23 Adele Welch '21

Laszlo Jentes '25 Joanna Zeng '25

Sheilla Kangwagye '23 Tianning Zhai '22

Grace Killackey '24 Yunyang Zhong '22

Erin Lynch '18

#### **Closing Remarks**

Justin Brandon '00, Chair, Macalester College Alumni Board

#### Closing Prayer for Peace in the World

Juan Galicia-Diaz '22 United States, Spanish

Peace Madimutsa '17 Zimbabwe, Shona

Professor Liang Ding, Economics China, Chinese

Jill Steele, Admissions New Zealand, English

#### Recessional

Please join us for a celebratory picnic lunch on Shaw Field following the ceremony.

#### **INAUGURATION NOTES**

#### The Ceremonial Transcript

On March 5, 1874, the Minnesota State Legislature enacted a special law, which gave Macalester College its charter. During the inauguration ceremony, President Rivera will receive a ceremonial transcript of this law and a citation marking her presidency, which will be bound into the volume. The document is a permanent instrument of the Office of the Presidency of Macalester College and resides in the DeWitt Wallace Library.

#### The Flags of Macalester

The flags in today's ceremony include that of the United States and those of 70 other countries represented in Macalester's student body. The United Nations flag, also present today, has flown on campus every day since 1950. This tradition was initiated by President Charles Turck, who was committed to bringing international students to Macalester and sending U.S. students abroad.

#### The Macalester College Seal

The seal of Macalester College was devised by Macalester's founder and first president, the Rev. Edward Duffield Neill. In a sermon preached before the Presbyterian Synod of Minnesota in September 1873, he explained its significance:

"On the corporate seal of the institution are engraved two female figures, one in classic drapery, telescope in hand and compass at the feet, representing Science investigating the laws of Nature; the other in sitting posture and modern dress holding open the word of God, representing Revelation. They are in friendly converse, the twin sisters of Heaven, as the motto suggests, 'Natura et Revelatio, coeli gemini."

After the college became a synodical institution, the trustees adopted the seal on October 19, 1881.

#### **Academic Dress and Customs**

Academic dress stems from the Middle Ages, when scholars were also clerics and wore the costume of the monastic order. The hood was originally a cowl attached to the gown; it could be slipped over the head for warmth. The cap, originally round, later became a square mortarboard.

On appropriate occasions, anyone with a college or university degree may wear academic dress. By observing the style of each costume, one often may identify the university, the degree held, and the field of major interest.

The long, pointed sleeve of the gown indicates a bachelor's degree, the closed sleeve with a slit near the upper part of the arm indicates a master's degree. Bachelors' and masters' gowns are black and have no trim.

The doctor's gown is usually black, but some universities prescribe other colors. All doctors' gowns have velvet trim on the front facings and crossbars on the sleeves. This trim may be black, or may match the edging of the hood.

The color of the velvet edging on the hood indicates the field in which the degree was granted. It should be noted that the doctoral degree often earned is

the PhD, or doctor of philosophy, in a given subject. The academic costume then displays the color of philosophy, dark blue, rather than the color of the specific subject.

#### The colors associated with specific subjects are as follows:

Agriculture, Maize

Arts, Letters, Humanities, White

Commerce, Accountancy,

Business, Drab

Dentistry, Lilac

Economics, Copper

Education, Light Blue

Engineering, Orange

Fine Arts, including Architecture, Brown

Forestry, Environmental Studies, Sustainability, Russet

Journalism, Crimson

Law, Purple

Library Science, Lemon

Medicine, Green

Music, Pink

Nursing, Apricot

Oratory (Speech), Communications,

Broadcasting, Silver Gray

Pharmacy, Olive Green

Philosophy, Dark Blue

Physical Education, Sage Green

Public Administration, Public

Policy, Foreign Service, Peacock Blue

Public Health, Salmon Pink

Science, Golden Yellow

Social Work, Citron

Theology, Scarlet

Veterinary Science, Gray

#### The Alma Mater

#### Dear Old Macalester





#### **HISTORY OF MACALESTER COLLEGE**

#### The Founder's Vision

Macalester College was founded in 1874 with a commitment to making it one of the finest colleges in the country. Its founder, the Rev. Edward Duffield Neill, served as a chaplain in the Civil War and held positions in three U.S. presidential administrations. Journeying to the Minnesota Territory in 1849 to do missionary work, he founded two churches and served as the state's first superintendent of public education and first chancellor of the University of Minnesota.

Having shaped the education of the Northwest's citizens, Neill turned to the education of its leaders. He believed that only a private college could offer both the academic quality and the values needed to prepare for leadership. He planned a college that would be equal in academic strength to the best colleges in the East. It would be Presbyterian-affiliated but nonsectarian, making it inclusive by the standards of his day.

Charles Macalester, a prominent Philadelphia businessman and philanthropist, made the establishing gift by donating the Winslow House, a noted summer hotel in Minneapolis. With additional funding from the Presbyterian Church and from the new college's trustees, Macalester opened in 1885 with five professors, six freshmen, and 52 preparatory students.

#### **Defining Excellence**

In 1887, a young classical scholar named James Wallace joined the faculty—and forever changed the future—of Macalester College. Over the next 50 years, as faculty member, president, fundraiser, donor, and role model, James Wallace helped the college define its special values and its standards of excellence.

Wallace quickly established himself as a fine and demanding teacher, and he earned a national reputation for scholarship when he published two Greek textbooks that were widely used across the country. When he took on added duties as dean of the college and then as president, he dedicated himself to creating the strongest possible academic experience for Macalester students. He recruited excellent faculty members and carefully added new areas of study to the curriculum.

In spite of academic success, James Wallace's early years at Macalester were financially difficult. Gradually, his unceasing efforts built up a group of donors whose support, together with tuition from a growing student body, put the college on steady footing. By the time he rejoined the faculty in 1906, Wallace had enabled the college to pay off its debt, maintain a balanced budget, and begin to establish an endowment to offer some protection against hard times.

Until shortly before his death in 1939, James Wallace taught religion, Greek, and political science. He inspired students to set high aspirations, strive for the best, and serve humanity on a global basis. His interest in world affairs intensified throughout his lifetime, and just before his 90th birthday he published a third book, this one on international peace and justice.

#### **Distinguishing Values**

In the 1940s and 1950s President Charles J. Turck gave new emphasis to the college's internationalism by recruiting foreign students, creating overseas study opportunities, and hiring faculty from diverse backgrounds. As a symbol of commitment to international harmony, he raised the United Nations flag on campus in 1950, and it has flown every day since then, just below the United States flag. Under his leadership, the college also broadened its base of community service and intensified its continuing interest in civic and national affairs. President Turck wrote a regular column in the student newspaper, often discussing social justice at home and abroad.

Macalester engaged in a remarkable period of advancement throughout the 1960s. Under the leadership of President Harvey M. Rice, the college strengthened the academic credentials of its faculty, enhanced the academic program, and increased its visibility, attracting students from across the nation and around the world. A major building campaign resulted in a fine arts center and new science facilities, which were among the best in the United States. All of this was made possible by the generous gifts of many friends, led by DeWitt and Lila Wallace, founders of the Reader's Digest and major benefactors of Macalester. Mr. Wallace, who died in 1981, was the son of President James Wallace and a member of the college's Class of 1911.

Along the way, Macalester committed itself to a liberal arts curriculum and asserted five traditional and distinguishing values: involvement of students with faculty in the pursuit of learning; creation of a diverse campus community; incorporation of an international perspective in the curriculum and campus life; involvement of the college in the life of the metropolitan area; and espousal of service as a way of life.

The stories of four alumni provide evidence of the historic nature of those values:

Catharine Deaver Lealtad became Macalester's first African American graduate in 1915; as a physician she spent a long career treating children affected by poverty, war, and famine around the world.

Esther Torii Suzuki was admitted to Macalester in 1942, freeing her from the internment camp where her Japanese American family was placed during World War II; she became a social worker and human rights activist.

Walter Mondale, who grew up in southern Minnesota, was part of the Class of 1950; he went on to become vice president of the United States, a U.S. senator, and U.S. ambassador to Japan.

Kofi Annan came to Macalester from Ghana; after his 1961 graduation he began a career with the United Nations culminating in his election to the post of U.N. Secretary General and his receipt of the 2001 Nobel Peace Prize.

#### **HISTORY OF MACALESTER COLLEGE**

#### **Expanding Educational Opportunities**

In 1968, in response to student activism, Macalester embarked on an ambitious plan to expand the educational opportunities of disadvantaged students previously underrepresented at Macalester. With the support of President Arthur Flemming, the Expanded Educational Opportunities (EEO) program was formally implemented in the 1969-1970 academic year. That year, the program brought 75 students on full scholarship to Macalester, raising the number of students of color in the incoming class to 15 percent. Prior to EEO, students of color represented 2 percent or less of the student body. While the incoming class was mostly Black, the EEO also focused on recruiting Native American, Puerto Rican, and Mexican-American students (these were the terms used by EEO at that time), and white students from lower socioeconomic backgrounds. When significant cuts to the program were announced in 1974, student protesters occupied the business office for 12 days, winning a short-lived compromise. Over its 15-year history, the EEO program changed student demographics, and increased awareness about issues of race, forever changing Macalester's campus and culture. Those given EEO scholarships have gone on to prominent positions in their respective communities in the areas of business, education, politics, medicine, and community activism.

#### **Unprecedented Strength**

The 1990s were another period of significant advancement for Macalester. In 1991, the college's endowment became significantly stronger than it had been, enabling Macalester to pursue its high ideals with renewed vision and confidence. The college increased the number of faculty positions, adding new depth and more broadly diverse perspectives to the educational program. The improved student-faculty ratio also made possible more flexible and personalized teaching approaches, including significant enhancement of an already strong emphasis on faculty-student collaborative research and writing. The college also increased international study opportunities for students and faculty and strengthened co-curricular programs from athletics to residential life to community service.

Through a comprehensive campus improvement program, virtually every academic and residential building on campus was renovated, as were the athletic facilities. Extensive renovation of the science facilities, which merged two buildings into the Olin-Rice Science Center, was completed in 1997. George Draper Dayton residence hall opened in 1998, the Ruth Stricker Dayton Campus Center in 2001, and the renovated Kagin Commons student services building in 2002. A comprehensive fundraising campaign completed in 2000 raised \$55.3 million to help support some of those building projects as well as scholarship funds, student-faculty research stipends, academic programs, and annual operations.

The college entered the twenty-first century with a planning process that reaffirmed its core values and key strengths. In 2005, President Brian C. Rosenberg issued a vision statement that called upon Macalester to respond to the world's complex challenges with renewed academic strength and with a commitment to global citizenship on the part of the college and its graduates. Global citizenship begins with responsible and reflective local engagement that transcends parochial concerns and regards all human beings as fellow citizens. Macalester's Institute for Global Citizenship, created in 2005, serves as a catalyst for strengthening programs by which students connect academic study with off-campus applications through internships and community-based learning opportunities both in the United States and abroad, and programs by which students explore ways to engage some of the world's most challenging issues through their chosen professions.

In 2008 Macalester launched a \$150 million campaign to raise funds for scholarships, faculty support, program enhancement, operating support, and new facilities. By the campaign's conclusion in December 2011, the college had surpassed that goal by raising over \$156 million. Many of the campaign's milestones are visible on campus: the Leonard Center athletic and wellness complex, Markim Hall (home to the Kofi Annan Institute for Global Citizenship), and the first stage of the Janet Wallace Fine Arts Center's renovation and expansion, which created a central commons and state-of-the-art spaces for music at Macalester. In 2012, the Music building opened, followed in 2014 by the Joan Adams Mondale Hall of Studio Art.

In 2018, the college launched a \$100 million campaign focused on access and excellence, which included the completion of the Janet Wallace Fine Arts Center renovation with the opening of the new Theater and Dance building in 2019.

With the help of financial support from its alumni and friends, Macalester continues the traditions begun by its founders and carried forward throughout its history: providing an education of uncompromising academic quality to talented students from a wide range of social and cultural backgrounds and preparing them to make a significant and positive difference in the world.

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### DR. SUZANNE M. RIVERA

### AS SEVENTEENTH PRESIDENT OF MACALESTER COLLEGE

Saturday, October 9, 2021

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1847 Lawrence University Appleton, Wisconsin Mansco Perry Trustee

## 1853 Cornell College Mount Vernon, Iowa Marie Schofer Director of Strategic Enrollment Initiatives

#### 1854 Hamline University St. Paul, Minnesota Fayneese Miller President

#### 1866 Carleton College Northfield, Minnesota Alison Byerly President

# 1874 St. Olaf College Northfield, Minnesota Thomas Halverson, DeWitt Wallace Professor of Mathematics, Statistics, and Computer Science, Macalester College Alumnus

## 1893 Concordia University, St. Paul St. Paul, Minnesota Kevin Hall Vice President of Academic Affairs

#### 1905 St. Catherine University St. Paul, Minnesota Rebecca Koenig Roloff President

## 1912 The College of St. Scholastica Duluth, Minnesota Barbara McDonald President

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