



*The Inauguration of Jeffrey P. Stein  
as the Tenth President  
of Mary Baldwin University*

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*Friday, the Eighteenth of October  
Two Thousand and Twenty-Four*

*Barbara Kares Page Terrace*

*10 O'Clock in the Morning*

## PRESIDENTIAL INAUGURATION CEREMONY

### PRELUDE

Heifetz International Music Institute

Nicholas Kitchen, violin, Artistic Director, Heifetz International Music Institute  
Dr. Wanchi Huang, violin, Artist Faculty, Heifetz International Music Institute

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### PROCESSIONAL

“Gibbous,” composed by The Hypnotic Brass Ensemble, arranged by The Hypnotic Brass Ensemble and Thomas Wagner, performed by The Brass Ensemble

Board of Trustees, Former Trustees, Dr. Pamela R. Fox, President Emerita,  
College and University Delegates, Executive Staff

Mary Baldwin Current and Former Faculty

Mary Baldwin Student Delegates

Alumni Advisory Council and  
Mary Baldwin Alumni

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### SHAKESPEARE INTERLUDE

Ethan Goodmansen MFA '25

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### INVOCATION

Dr. Katherine Low, Professor of Religion and Chaplain

Rabbi Andy Koren

Rev. S. Rainey Gamble Dankel '68

Dr. Edward Scott, Associate Professor Emeritus of Philosophy

Rev. Kelly Reese Kaufman '01

Rev. Andrea Cornett-Scott, Chief Diversity Officer

### SHAKESPEARE INTERLUDE

Louis Altman MLitt '25

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### PRESENTING THE COLORS

Virginia Women's Institute for Leadership,  
the Nation's Only Female Corps of Cadets

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### NATIONAL ANTHEM

Mikaela Hanrahan MFA '24

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### SHAKESPEARE INTERLUDE

Katie Mitchell MLitt '26

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### WELCOME

Dr. James D. Lott, Professor Emeritus of English  
Amiyah McCoy '25, Program for the Exceptionally Gifted

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### A POEM FOR MARY BALDWIN

By Tramere Monroe '25

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### STUDENT, FACULTY, STAFF CHARGE

Dr. Abby Wightman,  
Professor of Anthropology and Faculty Council  
Chair

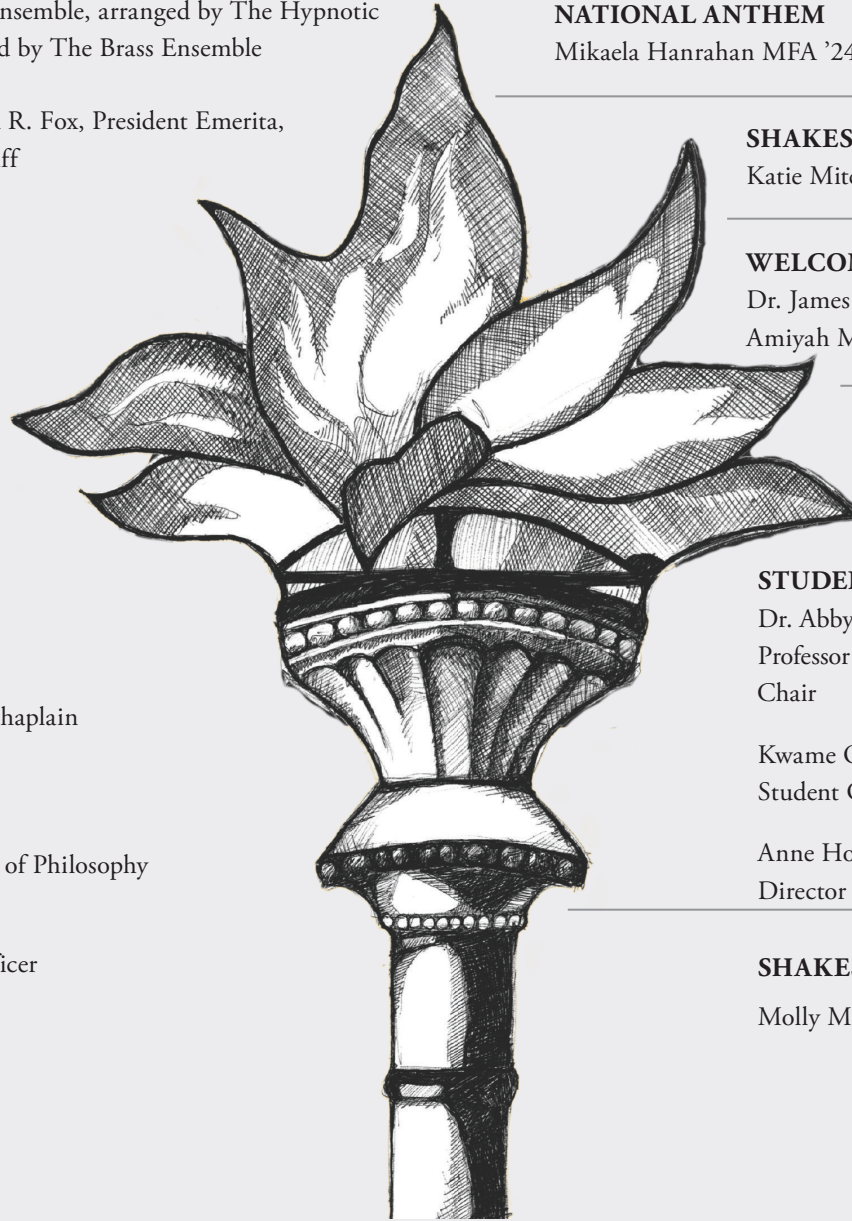
Kwame Opoku '26,  
Student Government Association President

Anne Holland '88,  
Director of Leadership Annual Giving

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### SHAKESPEARE INTERLUDE

Molly Minter MFA '25



**J.S. BACH: PRELUDIO FROM VIOLIN PARTITA NO. 3  
IN E MAJOR, BWV 1006**  
Nicholas Kitchen, violin

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**INTRODUCTION OF PRESIDENT**  
Chrissy, Lena, and Benny Stein

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**INVESTITURE AND OATH OF OFFICE**  
Eloise Chandler '77, Board of Trustees Chair

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**PRESENTATION OF PRESIDENTIAL MEDALLION**  
Kamala Payne Arango '05, Board of Trustees Member  
Dr. Andrew Shipp DPT '18, Board of Trustees Member  
Dr. Sue Whitlock '67, Board of Trustees Member

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**REMARKS**  
President Jeffrey P. Stein

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**“AD ASTRA”**  
Mary Baldwin University Choir  
By Jacob Narverud

*Ad astra per aspera  
to the stars ...*

*Sursum  
When you're tired and troubled and you have lost your way,  
Don't let hard times lead you astray.*

*Though you may be weary, just know you're not alone,  
for the stars will guide you home.*

*Movere, deinceps, sine cura, post omnes.  
Move forward, look upward, leave all cares behind.*

*Ad Astra per aspera  
to the stars ... to the stars!*

**ALUMNI CHARGE**  
Emily Oehler '93, Alumni Advisory Council Member  
Cherayne Mon Desir '24

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**"A HYMN FOR MARY BALDWIN"** Mary Baldwin University Choir  
Melody: Scandinavian Folk Song  
Lyrics by Professor Emeritus of Music Gordon C. Page

<b>1.</b> <i>To these halls where Wisdom reckons, To these hills where Beauty dwells; Where the search for Learning beckons, Where its tumult never quells.</i>	<b>3.</b> <i>Friendship, honor, sorrow, laughter Are the ways by which we learn, Knowledge first, then Wisdom after, Love that seeks not for return.</i>
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<b>2.</b> <i>Here we bring our childhood visions Stirring in the quest for Truth; Here we forge the mind's decisions Tempered by the faith of youth</i>	<b>4.</b> <i>When we reach the last tomorrow Of our days in class, on field, We will know how we must borrow, Mary Baldwin, from thy yield.</i>
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**BLESSING FOR THE UNIVERSITY, THE COMMUNITY,  
AND THE FUTURE**  
Rabbi Andy Koren

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**SHAKESPEARE EPILOGUE**

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**RECESSIONAL**  
“Gibbous,” composed by The Hypnotic Brass Ensemble, arranged by The Hypnotic Brass Ensemble and Thomas Wagner, performed by The Brass Ensemble

<b>Trumpets</b>	<b>Bass</b>
Chris Carrillo, Peyton Phaller, Christine Carrillo	Ben Leonard

<b>Trombones</b>	<b>Drums</b>
Kyle Remnant, Robert Mott	Mark Piper

**Tuba**  
Pete Echols

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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## HIGHER EDUCATION DELEGATES

Colleges and universities from across the nation were invited to send representatives to attend Mary Baldwin's presidential inauguration. Please visit [marybaldwin.edu/inauguration](http://marybaldwin.edu/inauguration) to see the list of universities that are represented at the ceremony.

## MARSHALS

Dr. Chandra Mason, Professor of Psychology  
Dr. Peter Ruiz-Haas, Professor of Chemistry  
Dr. Roderic Owen, Professor Emeritus of Philosophy  
Janet Ewing, Associate Professor of Business Administration  
Student Marshals: Analise Toone '26, Gretchen Lutz '25, Yuejia Zhu '26  
Alumni Advisory Council

## 2024-25 UNIVERSITY CHOIR

Directed by Jeff Ryman  
Accompanied by Catherine Lowell

Deborah Alapa '25	Joan Lee '26
Eddie Armstrong '27	Carolina Martinez '27
Mia Clarke '27	Justyn Mills '26
Tucker Crossley '26	Pamela Ocran '28
Calvin Crumbley '27	Maia Ott '26
Mamie Goins-Thomas '28	Brooklyn Rolph '28
Gabriella Gonzalez '25	William Ruiz '27
Grace Grindstaff '25	Halima Smith '25
Elizabeth Hogan	Ruby Spence '28
Jasmine Joe '28	David Chacon Veana '27
Jada Johnson '25	

## VIRGINIA WOMEN'S INSTITUTE FOR LEADERSHIP COLOR GUARD

Led by Cadet Kelly Cruz '25

## MBU MARCHING BAND

Led by Drum Major Cadet Sophie Stobie '25

## MURPHY DEMING COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES STUDENT DELEGATES

Valerie Cecil OTD '26	Zain Ghul MSPA '26
Olivia Egan MSPA '26	Acaylia Jensen OTD '26
Bridgette Farmmer DPT '26	Bill Tosick MSPA '26
Madison Floriano MSPA '26	Sara Wash DPT '26



## MARY BALDWIN PRESIDENTS

Abel McIver Fraser, 1923–29

Lewis Wilson Jarman, 1929–42

Frank Bell Lewis, 1947–53

Charles Wallace McKenzie, 1954–56

Samuel Reid Spencer, 1957–68

William Watkins Kelly, 1969–76

Virginia L. Lester, 1976–85

Cynthia Haldenby Tyson, 1985–2003

Pamela Ruth Fox, 2003–23

Jeffrey P. Stein, 2023–Present

## UNIVERSITY HISTORY

Mary Baldwin University was founded in 1842 as the Augusta Female Seminary by minister Rufus W. Bailey to advance the education of women. Mary Julia Baldwin, an early graduate, became principal during the Civil War, ensuring the school's survival and increasing its educational excellence. In 1895, two years before her death, the school was renamed the Mary Baldwin Seminary in her honor.

In 1916, the school was accredited by the Commonwealth of Virginia as a junior college and then in 1923 as a four-year liberal arts institution, renamed Mary Baldwin College. In the hundred years since, Mary Baldwin has continued to expand its vision, founding Murphy Deming College of Health Sciences in 2014, becoming a university in 2016, and welcoming men as residential students for the first time in 2017.



## ACADEMIC REGALIA

Academic regalia goes back to the Middle Ages when the clergy and students in the universities wore black gowns to hide ink stains resulting from daily note-taking and copying texts. Caps, hoods, and gowns were worn to lectures and at formal functions at colleges and universities until the 19th century. Baccalaureate and master's-level gowns are usually black and untrimmed, with the sleeves of the master's gown generally longer. Velvet panels down the front distinguish doctoral gowns, which may be black or a school color of the university granting the degree. Three horizontal velvet bars on the sleeves, usually of the color representing the wearer's degree, also mark the doctorate. Only doctoral caps may be made of velvet.

The length of a hood indicates the degree, with the bachelor's being three feet long, the master's three and one half, and the doctoral four feet. The color of the lining indicates the university at which the degree was earned and is usually the school color. For Mary Baldwin graduates, hoods are lined with yellow and white. The border of the hood indicates the academic discipline in which the degree was earned, such as dark blue for philosophy (PhD), light blue for education (EdD), apricot velvet for nursing (DNP), teal for physical therapy (DPT), Rhodes blue for occupational therapy (OTD), drab for business (MBA), green for medicine (MSPA), or light brown for the arts (MFA).

The Mary Baldwin presidential regalia is a black gown with the university seal and black velvet details on the front, and four velvet stripes on the sleeves. The seal features the university's motto, *Non Pro Tempore, Sed Aeternitate*, which means "Not for time, but for eternity." The fourth velvet stripe is an honor reserved for university presidents. The velvet is trimmed with gold for Mary Baldwin University. The presidential hood is a doctoral-length hood with yellow and white lining and gray velvet to represent MBU's colors.

## THE UNIVERSITY MACE AND BATON

The mace and baton were gifts from the Alumni Association, and their design was taken from the Baldwin family crest and the memorial stained glass window in Grafton Library. On the mace, the squirrel is a symbol of industriousness, curiosity, dignity, grace, and liveliness. On the baton, the acorn symbolizes strength, and the oak leaves stand for durability, courage, and truth. The maces are made of local walnut, a wood that represents longevity and hidden wisdom. Gold represents wisdom and honor, and the green of the oak leaves stands for life.

## PRESIDENTIAL MEDALLION AND CHAIN OF OFFICE

Given by an anonymous donor, the Chain of Office and Presidential Medallion are worn by the president with academic regalia on ceremonial occasions. The chain and medallion, dating from medieval times, honor the highest official at an educational institution as symbols of the responsibility and leadership vested in that office.

The four-inch circular Presidential Medallion features the seal of Mary Baldwin University, which represents the university's commitment to truth, courage, curiosity, academic excellence, and service. The seal honors the legacy of the Baldwin family and includes an industrious and lively squirrel and strong and enduring oak leaves and acorns. The university's Latin motto, Non Pro Tempore Sed Aeternitate, means "Not for time but eternity." The year 1842 represents the founding date of the university as the Augusta Female Seminary. The wreath of acorns encircling the design symbolizes wisdom, strength, and endurance.

## DR. JEFFREY P. STEIN, PRESIDENT

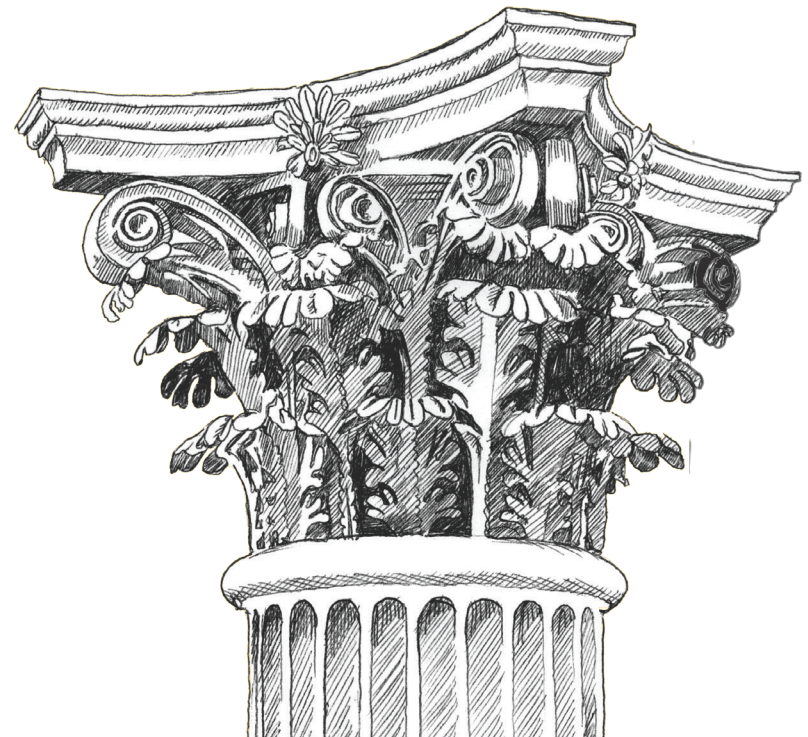
Dr. Jeffrey "Jeff" Stein was elected as Mary Baldwin's 10th president in 2023, bringing more than 30 years of higher education expertise in areas such as strategic planning, access and equity, engaged learning, and community partnerships. Working with students, faculty, and staff at Mary Baldwin is his dream job.

Dr. Stein worked at Macalester College, University of Northern Colorado, Carleton College, Colorado State University, and most recently at Elon University as vice president for strategic initiatives and partnerships — and assistant professor of English — developing high-impact learning programs; teaching; fundraising; and overseeing strategic planning, athletics, career services, service learning, and residential campus initiatives.

He earned a doctorate in higher education management from the University of Georgia, an MFA in creative writing from Colorado State University, and a bachelor's in English from Beloit College. He has published on governing boards, the residential campus, inclusive campuses, multifaith leadership, academic and student affairs partnerships, and service learning, as well as poems in national literary magazines.

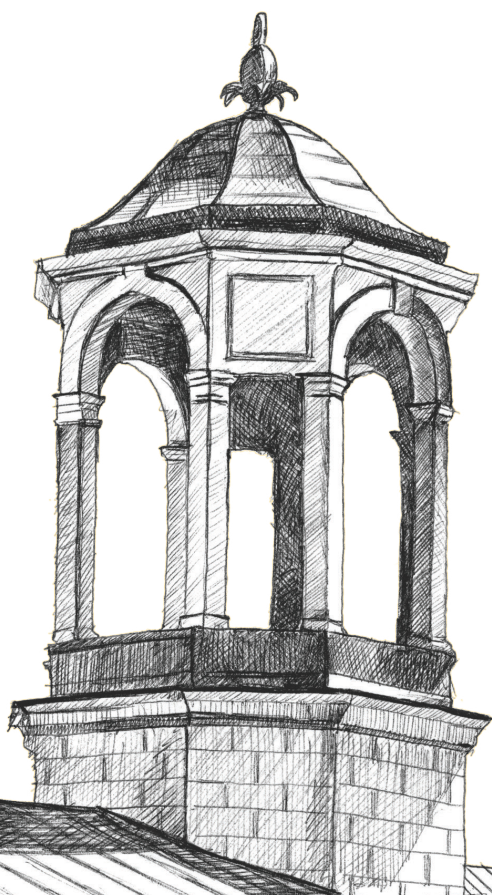
Dr. Stein's grandparents fled the Holocaust and Russian pogroms in search of freedom in the United States; his parents were the first in the family to attend college. He's married to Chrissy Stein, writing center director and former English faculty member. Their daughter, Lena, works in social work in Chicago, and son Benny works in entertainment in Los Angeles.

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