THE INSTALLATION

of

DR. KATHLEEN M. MURRAY

FOURTEENTH PRESIDENT

of

WHITMAN COLLEGE

SEPTEMBER 18, 2015
On July 1, 2015, Kathleen Murray became the fourteenth president of Whitman College. Previously, she was provost and dean of the faculty at Macalester College, where she led the academic program of one of America’s finest liberal arts colleges, planned a new $70 million fine arts center and played a key role in the development of Macalester’s strategic plan. Prior to Macalester, she was provost at Birmingham-Southern College in Alabama for three years.

President Murray received her Bachelor of Music degree from Illinois Wesleyan University in 1979, then obtained her Master of Music in piano performance from Bowling Green State University in 1982 and her Doctor of Music in piano performance and pedagogy from Northwestern University in 1989. Over the course of nineteen years, she was a member of the piano faculty, dean of the Conservatory of Music, and dean of the faculty at Lawrence University in Wisconsin.

A frequent performer, she is also a clinician and adjudicator both nationally and internationally, as well as the author of numerous articles on music and music education. She is recorded on the CRI label.

Dr. Murray is a passionate advocate of the liberal arts and the residential learning experience. She firmly believes that her undergraduate years in such a setting developed her potential as a scholar and artist, laying the foundation for her rewarding career and life.
INTRODUCTION OF PRESIDENT MURRAY

Brian C. Rosenberg, Ph.D.

Brian C. Rosenberg, the sixteenth president of Macalester College, began his tenure at the college in August 2003.

Rosenberg is active nationally, serving as a member of the Leadership Circle of the Presidents’ Climate Commitment, the Council on Foreign Relations’ Higher Education Working Group, the Presidents’ Trust of the Association of American Colleges and Universities, the Presidents’ Advisory Board of the Bonner Foundation, and the board of the Teagle Foundation. He is a past chair of the board of the Associated Colleges of the Midwest, the American Council on Education’s Commission on International Initiatives, and the Presidents’ Council of Project Pericles. Within Minnesota, Rosenberg is a member of the Itasca Project, an alliance of more than 50 leaders drawn from the private, government, and social sectors whose goal is to improve economic competitiveness and quality of life within the state.

Prior to becoming president, Rosenberg was dean of the faculty and an English professor at Lawrence University in Appleton, Wisconsin. Rosenberg served as an English professor and chair of the English department at Allegheny College in Meadville, Pennsylvania, from 1983 to 1998.

A native of New York City, he received a B.A. from Cornell University and an M.A. and a Ph.D. in English from Columbia University.
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PROGRAM

Organ Prelude and Processional
Kraig Scott, Studio Music Instructor

Welcome Remarks and Installation
Bradley M. McMurchie ’84, Chair, Whitman College Board of Trustees

Greetings
Norman H. Swick ’71, Chair, Whitman College Board of Overseers
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Musical Interlude
I Hear an Army
Samuel Barber

Randy Brooks ’16, baritone
David Kim, Assistant Professor of Music, piano

Greetings
John “Jack” Percival ’16, President, Associated Students of Whitman College
Kazi Joshua, Associate Dean for Intercultural Affairs and Chief Diversity Officer
Maureen Walsh, 16th District, Position 1, Washington State Legislature

Musical Interlude
“Andante” from Trio in D minor
Felix Mendelssohn

Anna Okada Burgess ’17, violin
Soobin Dokko ’17, cello
Gabriel Merrill-Steskal ’18, piano
Introduction of President Kathleen M. Murray

Brian C. Rosenberg, President, Macalester College

Presidential Address

The Frontier of the Liberal Arts

Kathleen M. Murray, Fourteenth President of Whitman College

Postlude

Introduction and Variations on Le Carnaval de Venise
Jules Demersseman, ed. by F. Hemke

Lucas Barry ’16, saxophone
Jackie Wood, Senior Lecturer, piano

(The audience is requested to stand for the singing of the Whitman Hymn)

Whitman Hymn
Stephen B. L. Penrose

Led by Randy Brooks ’16

Closing Remarks

Bradley M. McMurchie ’84, Chair, Whitman College Board of Trustees

Recessional

Kraig Scott, Studio Music Instructor
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Whitman College is committed to providing an excellent, well-rounded liberal arts and sciences undergraduate education. It is an independent, nonsectarian, and residential college. Whitman offers an ideal setting for rigorous learning and scholarship and encourages creativity, character, and responsibility.

Through the study of humanities, arts, and social and natural sciences, Whitman’s students develop capacities to analyze, interpret, criticize, communicate, and engage. A concentration on basic disciplines, in combination with a supportive residential life program that encourages personal and social development, is intended to foster intellectual vitality, confidence, leadership, and the flexibility to succeed in a changing technological, multicultural world.

BRIEF HISTORY OF WHITMAN COLLEGE

Whitman College traces its roots to the 1830s. In 1836, Marcus and Narcissa Whitman established a mission and a school near Walla Walla to teach the Cayuse Indians to read and write their native language. Later, the couple provided assistance to Oregon Trail travelers. However, the Whitmans were killed in 1847. Subsequently, fellow missionary Rev. Cushing Eells resolved to establish a school in their honor. The Washington Territorial Legislature granted a charter to Whitman Seminary on Dec. 20, 1859. College courses were first offered at Whitman in 1882 and on Nov. 28, 1883, the Legislature issued a new charter, changing the seminary into a four-year, degree-granting institution.

Whitman prizes its independence from sectarian and political control. The College has remained small in order to facilitate the close faculty-student interaction that is essential to exceptional higher education. In 1914, Whitman became the first college or university in the nation to require undergraduate students to complete comprehensive examinations in their major fields. The installation of a Phi Beta Kappa chapter in 1919, the first for any Northwest college, marked Whitman’s growing reputation.

Today, a Whitman liberal arts and sciences education requires both breadth and depth, as demonstrated by a diverse general studies program, as well as rigorous major requirements that include comprehensive assessments in major fields of study. The campus fosters close dialogue and collaborative research between students and faculty. The curriculum is tailored to challenge bright, involved, curious, and passionate students. Faculty members structure courses and class time in ways that encourage students to push boundaries and explore new directions. Students can choose from 45 majors, including 22 interdisciplinary majors, or create an independently planned major. In all areas of study, Whitman students learn to read carefully, think critically and communicate effectively.

The 77-acre campus is one block from the downtown area of Walla Walla, a city of 32,000 located five hours from Seattle or four hours from Portland by car. The town’s setting among golden wheat fields, shadowed by the Blue Mountains, provides an ideal jumping-off point for a variety of outdoor pursuits. Named by Fodor's as one of the nation's “10 best small towns” and cited by Sunset magazine as having the best Main Street in the West, Walla Walla is known for its art galleries, symphony orchestra, community theater, and multitude of wineries.
Whitman! Here’s to You!

Harmonized by
E. BLUM
Alla Marcia

Words and Melody by
S. B. L. PENROSE

For generations, Whitman students, alumni and friends of the College have joined together to sing “Whitman! Here’s to You!” at various college events. Written by President Stephen B. L. Penrose around 1914, the song was created after an unsuccessful student competition to produce an official college song. Dr. Penrose wrote the words and melody during a summer holiday at Penrose Point on Puget Sound. Elias Blum, a voice professor on the Whitman Conservatory faculty, composed the harmony.

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