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AS NINTH PRESIDENT
OF BRANDEIS UNIVERSITY
NOVEMBER 3, 2016
The Academic Procession

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Inauguration Program

Presentation of the Procession

National Anthem

Invocation

RABBI WILLIAM HAMILTON
Congregation Kehillath Israel, Brookline, Massachusetts

Welcome

LARRY KANAREK ’76
Chair, Board of Trustees

Musical Interlude
Leonard Bernstein, “Chichester Psalms, Movement I”

Brandeis Chamber Singers and University Chorus and Orchestra
Conducted by Robert Duff, Associate Professor of the Practice and Choral Conductor

Psalm 108:2

עיֵרָה הַנַּבֵּל וְוָפַּר Urah, hanevel, v‘chinor!
אֵּרָה שָׁהָר A-irah sha‘har!
Awake, O harp and lyre!
I will wake the dawn!

Psalm 100

הָרִעי לַעֲדֵי עָלָם Hari‘u l’Adonai kol ha’aret.
וַעֲבִדוּ לָהֶוָא וְשָׁמַיִים Ivdu et Adonai b’simha;
כְּפָרַיִם וּמִצְפַּתוֹת Bo‘u l’fanav bir‘nanah.
בְּדַש הָעֹלָם Du ki Adonai Hu Elohim.
ואַסְעַנְוּוּ לוּא הָאָרֶץ Hu asanu v’lo anahnu.
אַמְוִרוּ בַּפְּנֵיָיו Amo v’tson mar’ito.
כֶּנֶדֶנְוֻ תֵּשֵׁלוֹת Bo‘u sh’arav b’todah
חַהַל הַתְּרוֹחָה Hatseirotav bit’hilah
הוֹדַעֵלוֹ וְעֹלֵלוֹ והוֹדַעֵלוֹ והוֹדַעֵלוֹ Hodu lo, bar’chu sh’mo.
כִּי תִּוְּדֻּר אֶד תְּנָקֵח Ki tov Adonai, l’olam has’do;
וֹדֵד הַדֶּרֶךְ אִמּוֹתָו V’ad dor vador emunato.
Raise a shout for the Lord, all the earth.
Worship the Lord in gladness.
Come into His presence with shouts of joy.
Acknowledge that the Lord is God.
He made us, and we are His.
His people, the flock He tends.
Enter His gates with praise.
And His courts with acclamation.
Praise Him! Bless His name!
For the Lord is good; His steadfast love is eternal;
His faithfulness is for all generations.
Guest Speaker

Stephen Donadio ’63
John Hamilton Fulton Professor of the Humanities, Middlebury College

Musical Interlude
Leonard Bernstein, “Chichester Psalms, Movement II”

Psalms 23:1-4

The Lord is my shepherd; I lack nothing.
He makes me lie down in green pastures;
He leads me to water in places of repose;
He renews my life;
He guides me in right paths
As befits His name.
Though I walk
Through a valley of deepest darkness,
I fear no harm,
For You are with me.
Your rod and Your staff —
They comfort me.

Psalms 2:1-4

Why do nations assemble,
And peoples plot vain things;
The kings of the earth take their stand,
And regents intrigue together
Against the Lord and against His anointed?
Saying, let us break the cords of their yoke,
And shake off their ropes from us!
He who is enthroned in heaven
Laughs; the Lord
Mocks at them.
Psalm 23:5-6

תָּאָרוֹךְ לַפְּנֵי שֶׁלֶךְ
Neged tsor'rai
Dishanta vashemen roshi
Cosi r'vayah.
Ach tov vahesed
Yird'funi kol y'mei hayai
V'shav'ti b'veit Adonai
L'orech yamim.

You spread a table for me
In full view of my enemies,
You anoint my head with oil,
My drink is abundant.
Only goodness and steadfast love
Shall pursue me all the days of my life,
And I shall dwell in the house of the Lord
For many long years.

Guest Speaker

Christine Ortiz
Morris Cohen Professor of Materials Science and Engineering, MIT

Presentation of the Brandeis Medallions

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President, Brandeis National Committee

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Chair, Board of Trustees
**Musical Interlude**  
Leonard Bernstein, “Chichester Psalms, Movement III”

**PSALM 131**

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O Lord,  
My heart is not proud  
Nor my look haughty;  
I do not aspire  
To great things  
Or to what is beyond me.  
I have taught myself  
To be contented  
Like a weaned child with its mother,  
Like a weaned child am I in my mind.  
O Israel, wait for the Lord  
Now and forever.

**PSALM 133:1**

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How good  
And how pleasant it is  
That brethren  
Dwell together in unity.

**Greetings from Brandeis University**

**Lisa M. Lynch, P’17**  
Provost and Former Interim President
Investiture of the President

Presentation

Jonathan Davis ’75
Vice Chair, Board of Trustees

Charge

Larry Kanarek ’76
Chair, Board of Trustees

Presidential Address

Ronald D. Liebowitz

Benediction

Recessional
Delegates

1636
Harvard University
**ERIC NELSON**
Robert M. Beren Professor of Government

1693
College of William & Mary
**MELISSA BALLINGER**
Alumna

1701
Yale University
**JENNIFER EBISEMIJU MADAR**
President of Yale-Boston

1740
University of Pennsylvania
**DAVID GROSS-LOH**
Alumnus

1746
Princeton University
**KATHRYN BEAUMONT MURPHY**
Alumna

1749
Washington and Lee University
**GRAIG A. FANTUZZI**
Alumnus

1754
Columbia University
**BENJAMIN I. GROSSMAN**
Alumnus

1764
Brown University
**NANCY CHICK HYDE**
Trustee

1769
Dartmouth College
**STUART M. CABLE**
Alumnus

1783
Dickinson College
**MEGHAN HAKANSON**
Alumna

1785
University of Georgia
**HEATHER M. WARD**
Alumna

1787
University of Pittsburgh
**S. JAMES COPPERSMITH**
Alumnus

1791
The University of Vermont
**JEFFREY SCHULMAN**
Alumnus and Director of Athletics

1793
Williams College
**WALTER BERNHEIMER II**
Alumnus

1794
Bowdoin College
**LISA M. HARDEJ**
Alumna

1795
Union College
**ROBERT D. KELLY**
Chief of Staff
1800
Middlebury College
CHURCHILL G. FRANKLIN
Former Chair, Board of Trustees

1813
Colby College
RUTH JACOBS JACKSON
Vice President for Communications

1815
Nichols College
SUSAN WEST ENGELKEMEYER
President

1817
University of Michigan
JORDAN WEINSTEIN
Alumnus

1819
University of Virginia
LIZBETH HEDSTROM
Alumna

1821
Amherst College
DAVID HALL ROBERTS
Alumnus

1823
Trinity College
KEVIN J. MCMAHON
John R. Reitemeyer Professor of Political Science

1830
University of Richmond
GIL VILLANUEVA
Associate Vice President and Dean of Admission

1837
Mount Holyoke College
ROBIN CHEMERS NEUSTEIN
Alumna

1839
Boston University
JULIE SANDELL
Associate Provost for Faculty Affairs

1843
College of the Holy Cross
BRIAN M. QUIGLEY
Alumnus

1846
Bucknell University
GRACE RAGOLD
Alumna and Annual Fund Manager

1851
Lasell College
RICHARD K. BLANKSTEIN
Trustee

1852
Tufts University
ANTHONY P. MONACO
President

1853
University of Florida
JAMES R. THAMES
Alumnus

1853
Washington University in St. Louis
JUDITH A. JAFFE
Alumna

1854
Salem State University
DONNA A. SEGER
Professor and Chair, History Department

1855
Bates College
MEREDITH G. TRAQUINA
Alumna
1857
The University of the South
JOHN M. MCCARDELL JR.
Vice Chancellor and President

1858
Iowa State University
DONALD HARBERT
Alumnus

1861
Vassar College
BRAM SHAPIRO
Alumnus

1863
Boston College
MARK I. KHAN
Alumnus

1864
Swarthmore College
ROBIN FEUER MILLER
Alumna

1865
The University of Kansas
MICHAEL D. WEBB
Alumnus

1871
Smith College
JOAN POKROSS CURHAN
Alumna

1872
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
FREDERICK WILLIAM SAAM V
Alumnus

1873
Vanderbilt University
ROBERT F. BARSKY
Professor of French, English and Jewish Studies

1875
Wellesley College
LEIGH OSLER CREVELING
Alumna

1877
Rhode Island School of Design
ROSANNE SOMERSON
President

1880
Emerson College
MICHAELA WHelan
Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

1881
Georgia Institute of Technology
JENNIE LEE COLOSI
Alumna

1885
Georgia Institute of Technology
JANET L. KOLODNER
Regents’ Professor Emerita

1885
Springfield College
CATHY JAMESON
Alumna

1887
Clark University
DIMITRY ANSELME
Alumnus

1889
Gordon College
JUDITH M. DEAN
Trustee

1890
The University of Chicago
BLAKE LEBARON
Alumnus
1891  California Institute of Technology  ARTHUR L. GOLDSTEIN  Trustee

1898  Northeastern University  LORI HOPE LEFKOVITZ  Ruderman Professor of Jewish Studies, Director of Humanities Center

1899  Mount Ida College  JILL WIERBICKI ABRAHAMS  Vice President for Advancement

1900  Carnegie Mellon University  RONALD C. CURHAN  Alumnus

1903  Skidmore College  FRANCES MALINO  Alumna

1911  Connecticut College  EUGENE B. KOGAN  Alumnus

1912  Rice University  PATRICIA “PATTI” L. KRAFT  Trustee

1917  Bentley University  CLIFFORD WALLACE PUTNEY  Associate Professor of History

1917  Providence College  MARK MCGWIN  Alumnus

1919  Babson College  RICHARD J. SNYDER  Trustee

1919  Emmanuel College  JOEL DAVID KOWIT  Professor Emeritus

1921  Hebrew College  RABBI DANIEL L. LEHMANN  President

1932  Bennington College  ROSALIND MOGER BERNHEIMER  Alumna

1946  Bay State College  STACY SWEENEY  President

1947  Merrimack College  CAROL A. GLOD  Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

1947  MassBay Community College  KIMBERLY ALTAVESTA  Assistant Professor and Department Chair, Emergency Medical Services

1961  Association of Independent Colleges and Universities in Massachusetts  RICHARD J. DOHERTY  President

1971  Cambridge College  JUDITH R. SIZER  General Counsel

1997  Olin College of Engineering  RICHARD K. MILLER  President
LISA M. LYNCH
2015-2016 Interim

FREDERICK MARTIN LAWRENCE
2011-2015

JEHUDA REINHARZ, PHD’72
1994-2010

SAMUEL OSIAH TIER
1991-1994

STUART H. ALTMAN
1990-1991 Interim

EVELYN ERIKA HANDLER
1983-1990

MARVER HILLEL BERNSTEIN
1972-1983

CHARLES IRWIN SCHOTTLAND
1970-1972

MORRIS BERTHOLD ABRAM
1968-1970

ABRAM LEON SACHAR
1948-1968
The Benediction Video Presentation

To reflect the spiritual and religious diversity among Brandeis students, faculty and staff, the Office of the Provost sent a campuswide invitation for individuals to submit a benediction or blessing to be shared at the Inauguration. The benediction video was assembled from these submissions by a committee that included Brett Banhazl, University videographer; Bernadette Brooten, Myra and Robert Kraft and Jacob Hiatt Professor of Christian Studies; Wendy Cadge, professor of sociology and women’s, gender and sexuality studies; Reverend Matthew Carriker, Protestant chaplain; Allison Cornelisse, pastoral associate for Catholic and spiritual life; Laura Gardner, executive director, strategic communications, Office of Communications; Len Saxe, Klutznick Professor of Contemporary Jewish Studies; and Rabbi Elyse Winick ’86, Jewish chaplain. During the video presentation, the Brandeis Chamber Singers perform “The Road Home,” arranged by Stephen Paulus. The song is based on a traditional American folk song that first appeared in published form in 1835.

Music

Today, the Brandeis Chamber Singers and University Chorus perform “Chichester Psalms,” a choral work by Leonard Bernstein, H’59. Bernstein was a member of the University’s music faculty from 1951 to 1956. 2017 marks the beginning of a two-year worldwide celebration of the centennial of Bernstein’s birth.

The text of “Chichester Psalms” is taken from Bernstein’s score as published in 1965 by Boosey & Hawkes. The translation of the text is provided by the Jewish Publication Society.

The Brandeis Chamber Singers choir is made up of Brandeis undergraduates. The University Chorus comprises Brandeis faculty, students and staff. Both ensembles are conducted by Robert Duff, associate professor of the practice. For today’s performances, the University choral ensembles are collaborating with musicians from the Boston Musicians’ Association. Performing in “Chichester Psalms, Movement II” is Matthew Winston Cole, boy alto, a member of the Boston Children’s Chorus. The prelude, processional and recessional are performed by the Ceremonial Brass Ensemble, led by Hans Bohn, conductor and artistic director.
Historical Notes

Founding President Abram Sachar created the following organizations during the University’s early years to substitute for an alumni body that did not yet exist.

Board of Fellows

Created in 1951, the Board of Fellows is an honorary organization of alumni and friends who have supported Brandeis, served as goodwill ambassadors, and provided counsel and expertise.

Brandeis National Committee

Since 1948, the Brandeis National Committee and its members around the country have supported the University by raising funds for the library, science research and student scholarships.

President’s Council

The President’s Council, created in 1959, is made up of individuals who have provided exemplary volunteer service on behalf of Brandeis throughout the years.