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Conference details, including hotel, transportation and the full schedule, are available online. All alumni are invited to attend with one guest.

CHECK-IN INFORMATION

Thursday, October 3, 2019

11:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Maclean House

Friday, October 4, 2019

8:00 AM - 7:00 PM

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Saturday, October 5, 2019

7:30 AM - 5:00 PM

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The schedule is subject to change.

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Dear Princetonians,

In September 2006, Princeton hosted *Coming Back and Looking Forward*, an unprecedented and inspiring conference for black alumni that focused on their experiences at Princeton and beyond, their aspirations for the future, and their connection to Princeton and one another. *Coming Back* was so successful that it created a new model for alumni events, including *Coming Back, Moving Forward* in 2009 and *Coming Back: Reconnecting Princeton's Black Alumni* in 2014.

I am delighted to invite you now to attend Princeton's fourth conference for black alumni, *Thrive: Empowering and Celebrating Princeton's Black Alumni*, on October 3-5. Like its predecessors, *Thrive* will enable participants to renew old friendships, forge new bonds, learn more about the Princeton of today, and share hopes and ideas about the future of our University and our society. I hope that you will be able to join us for what promises to be a thought-provoking, spirited, and memorable gathering of Princetonians.

With warm best wishes from campus,



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THRIVE

Empowering & Celebrating
Princeton's Black Alumni

October 3-5, 2019



Thursday, October 3, 2019

- 1:00 - 2:00 PM** CARVING OUR OWN PATHS: SUCCESS IN ENTREPRENEURSHIP
Kamil Ali-Jackson '81, Chief Legal Officer, Chief Compliance Officer and Corporate Secretary, Aclaris Therapeutics, Inc.; and John W. Rogers Jr. '80, Chairman, Co-CEO and CIO, Ariel Investments
- 2:15 - 3:15 PM** ENTREPRENEURSHIP WORKSHOPS
Introduction to Design Thinking
Perfecting Your Pitch
Product Development
- 3:30 - 4:30 PM** NAVIGATING A SUCCESSFUL STARTUP JOURNEY
Self-Funded Founders and Funders
Social Impact Founders and Funders
Venture-Backed Founders and Funders
- 3:30 - 4:45 PM** FIRESTONE LIBRARY TOUR WITH ACCESS TO THE AFRICAN AMERICAN READING ROOM
- 4:45 - 5:30 PM** INSTITUTIONAL INVESTING: AN INSIDER'S VIEW
- 4:45 - 5:45 PM** STARTUP SHOWCASE
- 6:00 - 7:30 PM** WELCOME RECEPTION
- 7:45 - 8:45 PM** OUR JOURNEYS TO, THROUGH AND BEYOND PRINCETON – MORE THAN ONE WAY TO THRIVE
Moderated by C. Kim Goodwin '81, CEO and CIO, Avanico Holdings; and featuring Fiyinfoluwa 'Tumi' Akinlawon '15, Consultant, The Boston Consulting Group; Michael S. Fletcher II '03, Director of Talent Acquisition, BRICK Education Network; Lori Dickerson Fouché '91, CEO, TIAA Financial Solutions; Craig Robinson '83, Vice President of Player Development and General Manager, Westchester Knicks
- 9:00 - 10:00 PM** DRINKS, DESSERT & JAZZ

Friday, October 4, 2019

- 8:30 - 8:45 AM** WELCOME BACK: OPENING REMARKS
Karen Richardson '93, Dean of Admission
- 8:45 - 9:45 AM** A CONVERSATION WITH PRESIDENT CHRISTOPHER L. EISGRUBER '83
- 10:00 - 10:45 AM** THE PRINCETON & SLAVERY PROJECT
Martha A. (Marni) Sandweiss, Professor of History, and Melanie Lawson '76, Journalist and Television News Anchor, KTRK-TV
- 10:45 - 11:45 AM** FROM STUDENT ACTIVIST TO UNIVERSITY TRUSTEE
Brent L. Henry '69, University Trustee, interviewed by Ita Ekpoudom '03, Partner, GingerBread Capital
- 12:00 - 1:30 PM** LUNCHEON DISCUSSION: IN THE NATION'S (AND THE CITY, COUNTY AND STATE'S) SERVICE: CIVIC ENGAGEMENT IN THE 21ST CENTURY
Moderated by Cecilia Elena Rouse, Dean, Woodrow Wilson School of International and Public Affairs, and the Katzman-Ernst Professor in the Economics of Education; featuring Andrea J. Campbell '04, Boston City Council President, District 4 Councilor; Satana Deberry '91, District Attorney, Durham County, North Carolina; and Eric Johnson *03, Mayor, Dallas, Texas
- 2:00 - 3:15 PM** FACULTY LECTURES AND ALUMNI DISCUSSION
Are Robots Racist? Reimagining Technology, Equity and the New Jim Code
Ruha Benjamin, Associate Professor of African American Studies and Arthur H. Scribner Bicentennial Preceptor
- Begin Again: James Baldwin's Lesson for America and Its Urgent Lessons for Our Own
Eddie S. Glaude Jr. *97, James S. McDonnell Distinguished University Professor, and Chair, Department of African American Studies
- Black Box Research Group: An Intro to Algorithms and Robotics for 21st Century Architecture
Mitch McEwen, Assistant Professor of Architecture
- Inclusive Excellence for Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics
William Alfred Massey '77, Edwin S. Wilsey Professor of Operations Research and Financial Engineering; and Rodney Priestley, Associate Professor, Chemical and Biological Engineering and Associate Director, Princeton Center for Complex Materials
- Paying it Forward: Evolving Your Personal Philanthropy
Alumni Discussion

- 3:30 - 4:45 PM** AFTERNOON PROGRAMS
Looking Back, Moving Forward: 50 Years of African American Studies at Princeton and 10th Anniversary of the Carl A. Fields Center Celebration
With Eddie S. Glaude Jr. *97
- Networking Receptions With Current Students
Alumnae Reception
First-Generation, Low-Income (FLI) Reception
Graduate Alumni Reception
LGBTQ+ Reception
- What Makes You Great? Reframing Your Story and Recognizing Your Success
Nicole Shelton, Stuart Professor of Psychology, Head of Butler College
- 5:15 - 6:30 PM** PERSPECTIVES ON HIGHER EDUCATION
Lily McNair '79, President, Tuskegee University, and Ruth Simmons, President, Prairie View A&M University; in conversation with Christopher L. Eisgruber '83, President, Princeton University
- 6:45 - 9:15 PM** AN EVENING OF POETRY AND MUSIC
Tracy K. Smith, Roger S. Berlind '52 Professor in the Humanities; Chair, Lewis Center for the Arts; and 22nd Poet Laureate of the United States; and Stanley Jordan '81, Multi-Style Musical Innovator
- 9:30 - 11:00 PM** PERFORMING ARTS SHOWCASE
Produced by Victoria Davidjohn '19, Community Impact Coordinator, The Public Theater

Saturday, October 5, 2019

- 8:00 - 9:15 AM** NETWORKING BREAKFAST WITH STUDENTS AND ALUMNI
Hosted by University Trustees Achille Tenkiang '17 and Myesha Jemison '18
- 9:30 - 10:45 AM** ALUMNI DISCUSSIONS
Exploring Princeton Faith Journeys
- No Borders, No Limits: A Conversation on Living and Working Abroad
- Sports and Racial Discourse in America Today
- Tigers in Healthcare: Views From the Clinic, Classroom and Community
- Wake Up Everybody! Thriving In Today's Racial Climate

- 11:15 AM - 12:30 PM** ALUMNI DISCUSSIONS
Fighting the Stigma: Open Conversations on Mental Health
- Race-ish: Seizing the Narrative in Media and Entertainment
- A Seat at the Table: Positioning Yourself for Board Service
- Tigers in Tech
- Voices Across the Decades: A History of Black Students at Princeton
- 12:45 - 2:15 PM** LUNCHEON AND CONVERSATION WITH FILM AND TELEVISION INDUSTRY PIONEERS
Selwyn Seyfu Hinds '93, Showrunner, Producer and Screenwriter; and Broderick Johnson '90, Co-Founder and Co-CEO, Alcon Entertainment
- 2:15 - 2:45 PM** GROUP PHOTO
- 3:15 - 4:30 PM** AFTERNOON ENRICHMENT
21st Century Princeton: Our Evolving Campus Iconography
Michele Minter, Vice Provost for Institutional Equity and Diversity; featuring Walter J. Hood, Creative Director, Hood Design Studio; Professor of Landscape Architecture, UC Berkeley
- Get Up, Stand Up: Yoga Flow to Energize and Inspire
- Navigating the Benefits and Burdens of Our Princeton Privilege as Parents
- The Roads Less Traveled: Navigating Career Transitions
- 3:15 - 5:30 PM** "SPRINTER" FILM SCREENING AND DISCUSSION
Rob Maylor '00, CEO and Founder, Mental Telepathy Pictures
- 4:45 - 6:00 PM** AFTERNOON ENRICHMENT
Alumni Author Book Fair
- Conscious Living: How to Achieve Work/Life Balance in the Real World
- Free-Up!: Finding Power and Passion in Movement
- Roundtable Discussions
- 6:30 - 9:00 PM** CLOSING RECEPTION AND DINNER
Terri Sewell '86, Congresswoman, U.S. House of Representatives
- 9:15 PM - 12:00 AM** **THRIVE!** Party at Prospect House Featuring FOPO DJs