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Faculty and Staff Convocation

Wednesday, September 26, 2018

3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Program – Viking Pavilion Arena Floor

Reception – Viking Pavilion East Patio

Honor Song Performance

Four Directions Group – Led by Harold Paul

Musical Performance

Park Ave Combo – Song Title: *It Could Happen to You*

Convocation and New Leadership Welcome

Rahmat Shoureshi, President

- **Mark McLellan**, Vice President for Research and Graduate Studies
- **Susan Jeffords**, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs
- **Richard Corsi**, Dean, Maseeh College of Engineering and Computer Science

Introduction of the Research Faculty Excellence Award Recipient Video

Mark McLellan, Vice President for Research and Graduate Studies

- **Dara Shifrer**, Assistant Professor, Sociology—Junior Faculty Research Excellence Award
- **Robert Strongin**, Professor, Chemistry—Senior Faculty Research Excellence Award
- **Melissa Lucash**, Research Assistant Professor, Geography—Research Faculty Research Excellence Award

Faculty Senate Welcome

Thomas Luckett, Presiding Officer, Faculty Senate, and Associate Professor, History

Introduction of the Foundation Excellence Award Recipient Video

Bill Boldt, President and Chief Executive Officer, Portland State University Foundation

- **Jean Rockford Aguilar-Valdez**, Professor, Department of Biology—PSU Foundation Faculty Philanthropic Leadership Award
- **Sybil Kelley**, Assistant Professor, Science Education & Sustainable Systems—PSU Foundation Faculty Philanthropic Leadership Award
- **Angela Jackson**, Director, Research and Graduate Studies—PSU Foundation Philanthropic Cultivation Award

Introduction of the Excellence Award Recipient Video

Susan Jeffords, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

- **Andrew Fountain**, Professor, Geology—Branford Price Millar Award
- **Linda A. George**, Professor, Environmental Science and Management—George C. Hoffmann Award for Faculty Excellence
- **Robert Schroder**, Librarian & Coordinator of Information Literacy—Kenneth W. and Elsie W. Butler Award for Library Faculty Service
- **Christina Luther**, Director, Office of International Student & Scholar Services—Mary H. Cumpston Award for Service to Students

Acknowledgement of New Faculty and Staff and Faculty Who Have Received Promotion and Tenure

Susan Jeffords, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

Musical Performance

The Green Note – Song Title: *Valerie* – *Amy Winehouse*

Introduction of the Adjunct Excellence Award Recipient Video

Susan Jeffords, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

- **Staci B. Martin**, Adjunct Instructor, School of Social Work—Adjunct Excellence Award for Instruction
- **Marilyn Rampersad Mackiewicz**, Research Assistant Professor, Chemistry—Adjunct Excellence Award for Research

President's State of the Union: Student Success at PSU

Rahmat Shoureshi, President

Musical Performance

Park Ave Combo – Song Title: *Open Your Eyes*

Greet new and returning colleagues at a reception following the program.

Musical Performances Provided By

Park Ave Combo – Mentor: George Colligan

Quinn Walker, trumpet
Wyck Malloy, tenor sax
Nicole McCabe alto sax
Perry Thoorsell, bass
Wes Georgiev, piano
Andres Moreno, drums
Heather Sessler, voice
Danielle Barker, voice

The Green Note, Portland State University's A Cappella Ensemble

Lilli Colven
Emma Rosenberg
Aimee Altamirano
Mia Keeler
Maggie Conroy
Alden Girsch
Michael Walker
Kendall Berry
Daniel Nyounai-Herrera
Jeremy Custodio

Reception Performers

PSU Scholarship String Quartet – Mentor: Hamilton Cheifetz

Shion Yamakawa, violin
Eugene Howe, violin
Keely McMurry, viola
Cecelia Monroe, cello