The Inauguration of Kathleen McCartney
11th President of Smith College
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The Transformational Power of Women’s Leadership
A Panel Discussion
Welcome

Gregory White

Gregory White is the Mary Huggins Gamble Professor of Government at Smith College and the Elizabeth Mugar Eveillard '69 Faculty Director of the Lewis Global Studies Center. He teaches courses on international political economy, global environmental politics, North Africa, and refugee and migration politics. He is the author most recently of *Climate Change and Migration: Security and Borders in a Warming World* (Oxford University Press, 2011) and is the co-editor of *The Journal of North African Studies*.

Moderator

Soledad O’Brien

Soledad O’Brien is a critically acclaimed journalist, anchor and CEO of the Starfish Media Group, a media production and distribution company. O’Brien has worked for NBC, CNN, HBO and has recently announced that she will produce a series of documentary programs for Al Jazeera America. She has received, among other honors, an Emmy Award, a duPont-Columbia Award, the Gracie Allen Award, the NAACP President’s Award and the Journalist of the Year Award from the National Association of Black Journalists. Her coverage of Hurricane Katrina and the BP oil disaster for CNN contributed to the network’s George Foster Peabody Awards. A graduate of Harvard University, O’Brien began her career in broadcast journalism as a writer and associate producer at an NBC affiliate in Boston. She is a distinguished visiting fellow at the Harvard Graduate School of Education for 2013–14, a member of the board of directors for the Foundation for the National Archives and the chair of the board of The After School Corps, a nonprofit organization that supports children in urban communities through expanded learning opportunities.
Marian Wright Edelman

Marian Wright Edelman is the founder and president of the Children’s Defense Fund (CDF), a nonprofit organization that advocates for the needs of disadvantaged children in America. Edelman, who was the first black woman admitted to the Mississippi Bar, directed the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund office in Jackson, Mississippi, before serving as counsel for Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.’s Poor People’s Campaign. After founding the Washington Research Project, a public interest law firm, Edelman directed Harvard University’s Center for Law and Education and, in 1973, founded the CDF. She serves on the board of the Robin Hood Foundation, is a recipient of the 2000 Presidential Medal of Freedom and a MacArthur Fellowship, and was awarded the Albert Schweitzer Humanitarian Prize. She received her bachelor’s degree from Spelman College and her law degree from Yale University.

Jane Harman ’66

Jane Harman received her law degree from Harvard University and served as chief counsel and staff director for the Senate Judiciary Subcommittee on Constitutional Rights. Under President Carter, Harman was special counsel to the Department of Defense and deputy secretary of the Cabinet. In 1992 Harman successfully ran for U.S. representative for California’s 36th Congressional District. She held that seat from 1993 to 1999 and 2001 to 2011 and served on all of the major security committees: Armed Services, Intelligence and Homeland Security. In 2011 Harman was appointed the director, president and CEO of the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, a think tank whose mission is to provide “a link between the world of ideas and the world of policy.”

Farah Pandith ’90

Farah Pandith is the first special representative to Muslim communities, an appointment she received in 2009 under then–Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton. Under current Secretary of State John Kerry, Pandith continues to be responsible for executing a vision for engaging with Muslims around the world based on a personal and organizational approach. At Smith, Pandith was president of the student body; she earned her master’s degree from the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy at Tufts. She has served on the staff of the National Security Council, as a trustee of Smith College, as senior adviser to the assistant secretary of state for European and Eurasian affairs, as the chief of staff in the Bureau for Asia and the Near East for the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) and as a member of the Council on Foreign Relations. She has held several other leadership positions and political appointments in both Republican and Democratic administrations. In January 2013, Pandith received the secretary of state’s Distinguished Honor Award.

Julianna Smoot ’89

Julianna Smoot most recently was deputy manager of President Barack Obama’s 2012 re-election campaign after serving as deputy assistant to the president and the White House social secretary. Before holding these positions, she served as chief of staff to Ambassador Ron Kirk, United States trade representative. After graduating from Smith in 1989 with a degree in government, Smoot held positions with Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle, Senator John Edwards, Senator Richard Durbin and Senator Chris Dodd. In 2007 she joined then-Senator Obama’s presidential campaign as the national finance director, having served in the same position for the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee when Democrats won back the majority in the U.S. Senate. She later served as senior adviser to President Obama and co-chair of the Presidential Inaugural Committee. She is co-founder of the Smoot Tewes Group, a full-service campaign firm.
Inauguration Day Events

For a schedule of related events, visit www.smith.edu/inauguration/more

9 a.m. The Future of Higher Education Leadership
A panel discussion
Sweeney Concert Hall, Sage Hall

10:30 a.m. Coffee Break
Neilson Lawn

11 a.m. The Transformational Power of Women's Leadership
A panel discussion
John M. Greene Hall

12:30 p.m. Inaugural Lunch
Featuring music by the Noteables, the Vibes, the Smiffenpoofs and the Smithereens
Chapin Lawn and Campus Center

2 p.m. Bagpipers Procession
From the Quadrangle to the Indoor Track and Tennis Facility

3 p.m. Installation of Kathleen McCartney
The Smith community will be joined by delegates representing colleges and universities from around the world for the formal presentation of the symbols and responsibilities of office to Smith’s 11th president.
Indoor Track and Tennis Facility

5 p.m. Community Reception and Campus Illumination
Featuring music by the Smith College Jazz Ensemble
Chapin Lawn and Campus Center

8 p.m. The Doll People
Theatre 14, Mendenhall Center for the Performing Arts

Inaugural Exhibitions

For more information, visit www.smith.edu/inauguration/exhibitions

Portraits of Presidents: A Celebration of Smith Leaders
College Hall

Art Stories: Personal Experiences With the Smith College Museum of Art’s Collection
Smith College Museum of Art

Smith Women for the World
Alumnae House Gallery

Art Department Faculty and Student Exhibition
Jannotta Gallery, Hillyer Hall

Innovations in Early Education: Cultivating Young Botanists Through Inquiry-Based Learning
Lyman Plant House

Global Encounters: The Lewis Global Studies Center Photography Contest Exhibition
Lewis Global Studies Center, Wright Hall

Changing the Shape of Women’s Lives: Contributions of Smith Women to Early Childhood Education
College Archives, Alumnae Gymnasium

Children’s Visual Expression: Artwork by the Children of Smith College’s Center for Early Childhood Education and Campus School
Nolen Art Lounge, Campus Center

20/20: The Past and Future of the Smith College Staff Council
Campus Center, 2nd floor hallway