The Inauguration of

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Eighteenth President of Mount Holyoke College

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Friday, the Twenty-fourth of September
Two Thousand and Ten
Two O’clock in the Afternoon

Richard Glenn Gettell Amphitheater
Mount Holyoke College
South Hadley, Massachusetts
One of the benefits of studying at a women’s college was being able to look at issues from the perspective of a community of women. That opportunity shaped my commitment to women’s education. . . . I believe that our commitment to women’s education and leadership must extend beyond the academy into the extramural community to change the lives of women around the world in order to provide the access that we’ve been privileged to receive.

— President Lynn Pasquerella
LYNN PASQUERELLA, a celebrated philosopher and medical ethicist, assumed the presidency of Mount Holyoke College on July 1, 2010. Her appointment marks a homecoming for Pasquerella, who enrolled at Mount Holyoke in 1978 as a transfer student from Quinebaug Valley Community College.

While working full-time to support herself, Pasquerella majored in philosophy and graduated magna cum laude and Phi Beta Kappa from Mount Holyoke in 1980. A native of Connecticut, Pasquerella was the first in her family to graduate from college. Encouraged by her Mount Holyoke professors to pursue graduate study, she received a full fellowship to Brown University, where she earned a Ph.D. in philosophy.

From 1985 to 2008, Pasquerella taught philosophy at the University of Rhode Island. In 2004, she became associate dean of URI’s graduate school and, in 2006, was named vice provost for research and dean of the graduate school. In 2008, she joined the University of Hartford as provost and chief academic officer.

Pasquerella has written extensively in the areas of medical ethics, theoretical and applied ethics, metaphysics, public policy, and the philosophy of law. She also is a passionate advocate for women’s education and credits her training as an ethicist with helping her reach beyond the academy to engage communities—both locally and around the globe—on issues of women’s empowerment. Previously, she was the principal investigator on a $3.5 million National Science Foundation grant to promote the careers of women in science, technology, engineering, and math. Since 2008, she has served as project leader for a research team with the Africa Center for Engineering Social Solutions, working to improve the lives of women in an AIDS-ravaged section of Kenya.

Pasquerella is married to John Kuchle, a biologist and photographer. Their twin sons are in college: Spencer at Hampshire and Pierce at the University of Hartford.
THE INAUGURAL CEREMONY

Please turn off cell phones, pagers, and electronic beepers before the ceremony begins.

PROCESSIONAL

ORDER OF THE ACADEMIC PROCESSION

Sheriff of Hampshire County
College Marshal
The Board of Directors of the Alumnae Association
Delegate Marshals
Delegates from Colleges, Universities, and Learned Societies
Faculty Marshals
The Faculty
Trustee Marshals
The Board of Trustees
Presenters of the Invocation and Benediction
Past Chairs of the Board of Trustees
The Sixteenth and Seventeenth Presidents of Mount Holyoke College
The Board of Directors of the Five Colleges
The Seven Bearers of Greetings to the President
The Chair of the Board of Trustees
The President

OPENING OF CEREMONY

Robert Garvey, Sheriff of Hampshire County

INVOCATION

John Grayson, Professor of Religion on the Alumnae Foundation

WELCOME

Mary Graham Davis ’65, Chair of the Board of Trustees

REMARKS

Walter Harrison, President of the University of Hartford

GREETINGS

Karen Remmler, Professor of German Studies, Critical Social Thought, and Gender Studies, on behalf of the faculty
Marija Tesla ’11, President of the Student Government Association, on behalf of the students
David A. Perrault, Painter, Facilities Management, on behalf of the staff
Musical Greeting

Kulema
for Brass Quintet and Percussion
A premiere performance by the Omnibus Brass Ensemble
In celebration of the Inauguration of President Lynn Pasquerella
composed by David Sanford, Associate Professor of Music

Greetings

Cynthia L. Reed ’80, President, Alumnae Association of Mount Holyoke College, on behalf of the alumnae
Marlene Gerber Fried, Acting President, Hampshire College, on behalf of the Five Colleges
Welcome on behalf of the Commonwealth

Anthem

Variation on a Theme by Rilke (Levertov-Szymko)
The Mount Holyoke College Glee Club
Kimberly Dunn-Adams, Conductor
Mark Gionfriddo, Accompanist

Presentation of the Symbols of Office and Investiture of the President

Mary Graham Davis ’65, Chair of the Board of Trustees

Inaugural Address

The Promise of Women’s Leadership: Uncommon Women for the Common Good
Lynn Pasquerella, Eighteenth President of Mount Holyoke College

Benediction

The Reverend Gladys G. Moore, Dean of Religious and Spiritual Life and Director of Diversity and Inclusion

Alma Mater

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Recessional
The Symbols of Office

The Key
The key that is part of today’s ceremony is an actual key to the original Mount Holyoke Female Seminary building. It was salvaged from the fire that destroyed the seminary in 1896. Made of iron, it is both a physical reminder and symbol of founder Mary Lyon’s remarkable achievement in opening the doors of higher learning to talented women.

The Mount Holyoke College Charter
Pasquerella receives a copy of the Mount Holyoke Female Seminary charter, which was approved on February 11, 1836. A copy of the charter was last presented as a symbol of office in the inauguration of Joanne V. Creighton on May 5, 1996; prior to that, it was presented to Roswell G. Ham on September 23, 1937, the College’s centennial. A blue ribbon was tied around the rolled-up charter; the same ribbon is used today. The original charter, kept in the State House in Boston, marks the incorporation of the seminary and its charge “to be devoted exclusively to the purposes of education.”

The Mount Holyoke College Seal
The College seal is represented in today’s ceremony as a bronze medallion for presentation as a symbol of office to President Pasquerella.
The original inspiration for the seal was a pencil drawing created in 1838 by Orra White Hitchcock, prolific illustrator of landscapes, fossils, rocks, and geological strata, and wife of Amherst College president Edward Hitchcock. Featuring palm trees, mountains, an ornate palace, women reading and conversing, and a cornerstone, the drawing illustrated Psalms 144:122—“That our daughters may be as cornerstones polished after the similitude of a palace.” The seal, a simplified rendition of the drawing, was embossed on early diplomas or on a circle of sealing wax attached to a diploma by a blue ribbon.

Over time, the seal has evolved through several phases reflecting changes to the institution’s name—from Mount Holyoke Female Seminary (1837) to Mount Holyoke Seminary and College (1888) and finally to Mount Holyoke College (1893).

Though the seal’s design has changed considerably from the original, the main symbols remain. The palm trees suggest fruitfulness, the mountains bespeak strength, and while illustrating the biblical verse, the cornerstone also calls to mind a statement made about Mary Lyon by one of her former pupils: “She aimed to teach her pupils to educate themselves, to show them how to study, to help them lay the foundation of an edifice they were themselves to finish.” With the presentation of this seal to President Pasquerella, the College welcomes a new leader dedicated, as was Mary Lyon, to the principles and purposes of higher learning.
The history of academic apparel has its origins in medieval British universities, particularly Oxford University, where scholars wore hoods and gowns as their customary daily attire. Because of the close affiliation between the university and the church at that time, academic gowns resembled cassocks and elaborately worked clerical vestments. It is from these medieval garments that American academic dress derives.

Gowns and hoods have been worn at American colleges and universities since colonial times, but it was not until 1895 that a code for academic attire was established by an intercollegiate commission. In accordance with this code, which has been modified over the years, academic attire reflects the level of an individual’s degree and the institution granting that degree. Black is the standard color for gowns, and the three levels of degrees are distinguished mainly by sleeve style. Gowns for the bachelor’s degree are usually worn closed and have long, pointed sleeves. Masters’ gowns are usually worn open and have oblong sleeves with the front section cut away in an arc. The doctor’s gown is trimmed in velvet down the front, with three bars on each of the large, bell-shaped sleeves.

The hood indicates the level of degree attained. The bachelor’s hood is three feet long and has a two-inch velvet border. The hood for the master’s degree is three and a half feet long and has a three-inch border. Doctors wear a four-foot-long hood with a five-inch border. The hood’s colored lining identifies the institution conferring the degree; this lining may have a single color or several colorful stripes or chevrons.

The color of the velvet trim bordering the hood indicates the field of learning.

The black mortarboard cap is standard at most colleges and universities throughout the United States. Some authorities believe its square shape represents a scholar’s books, while others believe it
represents the quadrangles at Oxford. The tassel is its distinguishing feature, with a black tassel signifying a bachelor’s degree and a gold tassel signifying a doctoral degree.

In an academic procession, an individual usually wears the apparel appropriate to the highest degree earned. Members of the Board of Trustees, however, may wear doctoral gowns, and individuals officially representing an institution wear a gown appropriate to that role. Military uniforms and religious habits are acceptable apparel. Some institutions of higher education have now adopted solid-color gowns that incorporate their college or university colors.

**Colors indicating fields of learning**

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As the first of the Seven Sisters—the female equivalent of the once predominantly male Ivy League—Mount Holyoke College has led the way in women’s education. Chemist and educator Mary Lyon founded Mount Holyoke (then called Mount Holyoke Female Seminary) in 1837, nearly a century before women gained the right to vote. Though prevailing thought held that women were constitutionally unfit to withstand the mental and physical demands of higher education, Lyon proved otherwise.

Mount Holyoke’s early history is one of triumph over tremendous odds. The country was in the grip of economic depression when Lyon began tirelessly fundraising to establish her institution. When Mount Holyoke Female Seminary opened its doors on November 8, 1837, it embodied two major innovations in women’s education: rigorous academic entrance requirements and a demanding curriculum free of instruction of domestic pursuits. In addition, the institution was endowed, thus ensuring its permanence and securing the principle of higher learning for future generations of women.

A model upon which many other women’s colleges were patterned, Mount Holyoke quickly became synonymous with brilliant teaching and academic excellence. In 1861, the three-year curriculum was expanded to four; in 1893, the seminary curriculum was phased out and the institution’s name was changed to Mount Holyoke College. At the start of the twentieth century, Mary Emma Woolley began her 37-year presidency of the College. Like her predecessors, she focused on faculty development, building needs, curricular change, and the endowment, but her interests spread into the international arena and she advocated higher learning for women around the world.

Mount Holyoke has shown itself to be resilient and resourceful, continuing to model leadership in liberal arts and women’s education through changing times. Throughout the second half of the century, Mount Holyoke continued its growth and expansion, with the 1960s witnessing the
construction of many new academic buildings and residence halls. Mount Holyoke’s reputation for excellence grew as well, with many notable alumnae breaking new ground in the sciences, the arts, and the women’s movement. In 1978, Elizabeth Topham Kennan ’60 became the first alumna in that century to serve as president of the College.

Eighteen years later, in 1996, Joanne V. Creighton assumed the presidency. She initiated a new era of institutional self-examination and strategic planning that affirmed Mount Holyoke’s mission to educate a diverse, residential community of women at the highest level of academic excellence while fostering the alliance of liberal arts education with purposeful engagement in the world. During her tenure, Creighton oversaw two record-breaking capital campaigns that created Kendade Hall and the Science Center, the Weissman Center for Leadership and the Liberal Arts, the McCulloch Center for Global Initiatives, the Miller Worley Center for the Environment, and the new 180-bed residence hall that, fittingly, has been named in Creighton’s honor. She also cofounded Women’s Education Worldwide, an organization bringing together the presidents and chief academic officers of women’s colleges and universities from around the world and other leaders in women’s education.

Today, Mount Holyoke College is recognized worldwide for its rigorous and innovative academic programs, its global community, its legacy of women leaders, and its commitment to connecting the work of the academy to the concerns of the world.

With the inauguration of Lynn Pasquerella ’80, Mount Holyoke renews its commitment to shaping the future of women’s education. A powerful intellectual force and a principled leader, she is in the vanguard of a new generation who are taking the helm of the nation’s premier liberal arts colleges at a time of great challenge and opportunity. Under her leadership, the College will build upon its legacy as a champion of academic access and excellence for women and expand its presence on the global stage.
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Founder and Principal  
1837–1849 | **Mary A. Brigham ’49**  
President Elect  
1889 | **David B. Truman**  
President  
1969–1978 |
| **Mary C. Whitman ’39**  
Principal  
1849–1850 | **Louisa F. Cowles ’66**  
Acting President  
1889–1890 | **Elizabeth T. Kennan ’60**  
President  
1978–1995 |
| **Mary W. Chapin ’43**  
Principal  
1850–1865 | **Elizabeth Storrs Mead**  
President  
1890–1900 | **Joseph J. Ellis III**  
Acting President  
Spring, 1984 |
| **Sophia D. Stoddard ’41**  
Acting Principal  
1865–1867 | **Mary E. Woolley**  
President  
1900–1937 | **Peter Berek**  
Interim President  
Fall, 1995 |
| **Helen M. French ’57**  
Principal  
1867–1872 | **Roswell G. Ham**  
President  
1937–1957 | **Beverly Daniel Tatum**  
Acting President  
Spring, 2002 |
| **Julia E. Ward ’57**  
Principal  
1872–1883 | **Richard Glenn Gettell**  
President  
1957–1968 | **Joanne V. Creighton**  
President  
1996–2010 |
| **Elizabeth Blanchard ’58**  
Principal and President  
1883–1889 | **Meribeth E. Cameron**  
Acting President  
1968–1969 | |

*Note: Prior to 1888, the official title of the head of the institution was “principal.”*
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Don J. Wyatt
John M. McCandell, Jr.
Distinguished Professor

1809
Miami University
Betty Neal Crutcher
Senior Mentoring Consultant

1812
Lycoming College
Ralph R. Turner
Alumnus

1815
Nichols College
Karen Tipper
Professor of English, Emerita

1819
Centre College
Elizabeth T. Kennan
Trustee

1820
Indiana University
Luc Gillemian
Alumnus, Professor in the Department of English at Smith College

1821
Amherst College
Anthony Marx
President

1822
Hobart and William Smith Colleges
Charles A. Ramsay
Alumnus

1823
Trinity College
Katherine Wood Klinger
Trustee

1824
Kenyon College
Joseph M. Topor, Jr.
Alumnus

1824
Rensselaer Poly Tech
James C. Miller
Alumnus

1826
Lafayette College
Elizabeth W. McMahon
Professor of Mathematics

1831
Wesleyan University
Stephen Daniel
Alumnus and Former Trustee

1833
Kalamazoo College
E. Turner Lewis
Trustee Emeritus

1834
Tulane University
Kristyn A. Brezinsky
Alumna

1834
Wake Forest University
Jane F. Crosthwaite
Alumna

1834
Wheaton College
Ronald Crutcher
President

1836
Wesleyan College
(Macon, Georgia)
Patricia Henry
Alumna

1837
DePauw University
Andrea Sununu
Professor of English

1837
Knox College
Cynthia Morse Latta
Alumna

1838
Westfield State University
Kathleen M. McIntosh
Chair, World Language Studies

1839
Virginia Military Institute
Corey Murphy
Alumnus

1840
Saint-Mary-of-the-Woods College
Joyce Thatcher
Alumna

1842
Hollins University
Erika Peterson Shelbourne
Alumna

1843
College of the Holy Cross
Barbara Dean Carskadden
Executive Assistant to the Senior Vice President

1846
Grinnell College
Mark Schneider
Professor of Physics
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Music: Joan Szymko (1999)
Poem: Denise Levertov (1987)

A certain day became a presence to me;
there it was, confronting me—a sky, air, light:
a being. And before it started to descend
from the height of noon, it leaned over
and struck my shoulder as if with the flat of a sword, granting me
honor and a task. The day’s blow
rang out, metallic—or it was I, a bell awakened,
and what I heard is my whole self
saying and singing what it knew: I can.

Alma Mater
Music: Gladys F. Pratt ’14
Text: Gertrude Brady Murphy ’14

Oh Mount Holyoke we pay thee devotion,
In the fervor of youth that is strong,
The courage of right is thy garland,
Our lives, Alma Mater, thy song.
So from east and from west now we gather,
And united in firm love to thee,
All years are as one, and their loyal pledge,
Mount Holyoke forever shall be,
Mount Holyoke forever shall be.

Thro’ the heart of a new day’s endeavor,
Breathes the life of the old days that live,
For what thou hast given we honor,
But we love thee for what we can give.
So when soft in a whisper thou callest,
For the treasures unlocked by thy key,
Our achievements, our hopes, and our glorious faith
Shall answer, Mount Holyoke, to thee,
Shall answer, Mount Holyoke, to thee.
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