

GOVERNORS STATE UNIVERSITY  
**Convocation**  
2024

**Center for Performing Arts**  
September 5, 2024 at 1 p.m.

**MASTER OF CEREMONIES**

Division Chair, Education and Leadership, Dr. Marlon Cummings

**PROCESSIONAL**

Lead Marshal, Dr. David Conrad

**OFFICIAL BEGINNING OF THE NEW ACADEMIC YEAR**

Faculty Senate President, Dr. Stephen Wagner

**FLAGS PRESENTATION**

*Lift Ev'ry Voice and Sing*

*The Star-Spangled Banner*

Vocalist, Dr. Cherise Joy Stone-Thompson

Keyboardist, Mr. Nixon Saurez

**LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

Chief Diversity Officer, Dr. Joi Patterson

**RECOGNITION OF TRUSTEES, DIGNITARIES AND KEY STAKEHOLDERS**

Master of Ceremonies, Dr. Marlon Cummings

**REMARKS FOR THE NEW ACADEMIC YEAR**

President Dr. Cheryl Green

**STUDENT SPEAKER**

Student Senate President, Mr. Xavier Thompson

**KEYNOTE SPEAKER**

Alumnus Mr. Colton Krska, CPA Audit Associate

**ANNOUNCEMENT BAYSORE AND EXCELLENCE AWARD RECIPIENTS**

President Dr. Cheryl Green and Provost, Dr. Beverly Schneller

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE DEI AWARDS FOR THE 24-25 ACADEMIC YEAR**

Chief Diversity Officer – Dr. Joi Patterson

**CLOSING REMARKS & RECESSIONAL**

*Immediately following the ceremony, you are invited to an Ice Cream Social at the Hall of Governors patio*