Dr. John Selmon
Investiture for the 11th President of Muskegon Community College

Thursday, October 6, 2022, 2:00 p.m.
Overbrook Theater

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Muskegon Community College
Program

Prelude Music

Academic Procession

Star-Spangled Banner
Muskegon Community College (MCC) String Quartet

Welcome
Daniel M. Meyers
Director of Music

Invocation
Pastor Dwayne Riley
Temple of Refuge Family Worship Center

Greetings
Diana Osborn
Chair, MCC Board of Trustees
Adera Merriam
MCC Nursing Student
Nicholas Budimir
President, MCC Faculty Association

Tribute Speakers
Brandy Johnson
President, Michigan Community College Association
Dr. Randall Miller
Senior Consultant to the Chancellor of Wayne County Community College District
Dr. Larry Young
Retired Physician

Congratulatory Messages (Video)

Installation of the President
Diana Osborn
Chair, MCC Board of Trustees
Sean Mullally,
Vice Chair, MCC Board of Trustees

Investiture Address
MCC President John Selmon

Alma Mater
Written by Margaret Erickson
Join in our song of praise,
Stalwart ones and true,
Praise to the Blue and Gold,
Hail our Alma Mater
First college friendships
We will remember
Our MCC
To thee all honor due!
Go, Jayhawks!

Closing Remarks

Reception & Campus Tours
Thank you for joining us today. Please enjoy refreshments just outside the theater and at tour stops in Gerber Lounge and the Art & Music Building.
Last tour begins at 4:30pm.
Brandy Johnson was selected as the President of MCCA in December 2021. Prior to this role, she served in the Governor’s administration, first as Governor Whitmer’s education policy advisor and most recently as a manager of the Office of Sixty by 30 within the Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Opportunity. In 2010, she founded the Michigan College Access Network and served as its Executive Director until 2019. Brandy Johnson also was a policy fellow and college access coordinator under Governor Jennifer Granholm. She earned her bachelor’s degree in political science from Arizona State University and her master’s degree in public policy from the Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy at the University of Michigan. Brandy Johnson was also appointed by Governor Whitmer to represent Michigan on the Midwest Higher Education Compact and served on Governor Snyder’s 21st Century Education Commission. She has been recognized for her leadership and advocacy by the Michigan Association of School Administrators, National College Access Network, American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers, and the Michigan College Access Network.
Dr. Randall Miller
Senior Consultant to the Chancellor of Wayne County Community College District

Dr. Randall R. Miller is the owner of Randall Miller Educational Consultants, LLC. He currently serves as the Senior Consultant to the Chancellor of Wayne County Community College District in Detroit. He is a past President of Lake Michigan College in Benton Harbor, Michigan. Prior to that he was the Executive Vice Chancellor of Wayne County Community College District in Detroit, where he had also served as President of two of the District’s five campuses. His areas of expertise include organizational behavior, collective bargaining, board relations, communications, marketing, customer relations, and leadership. His educational background includes a bachelor of arts degree from Dickinson College in Pennsylvania, including a junior year at the Johns Hopkins Center for International Studies in Bologna, Italy; a master’s degree from the University of Alaska; a Certificate of Advanced Study (CAS) from the Harvard University Graduate School of Education; and a doctorate in education from the University of Southern California, with a dissertation on collective bargaining.

Dr. Larry Young
Retired Physician

Dr. Larry Young is a retired physician with board certification from the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists. He has served as an attending physician at Hurley Medical Center in Flint, Michigan where he became the Vice Chairman of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology. Dr. Young was also an attending physician at Genesys Medical Center in Grand Blanc, Michigan. He became the Director of the Obstetric Division for Hamilton Community Health Network and has worked as an Assistant Clinical Professor at Michigan State University College of Medicine. He attended Mott Community College, University of Michigan, and Howard University Medical School. He is a past president of the African American Physicians Association of Genesee County, past president of Sigma Pi Phi (Boule) Fraternity Gamma Delta (local chapter), member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, and Youth Leader at North Star Baptist Church.
Past Presidents
Muskegon Community College
Founded in 1926

Allen G. Umbreit
1931-1958

William G. Dwyer
1958-1960

James M. Snyder
1960-1964

Ralph A. Austermiller
1964-1970

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1970-1976

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1976-1977

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1977-1986

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1986-1995

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1995-2004

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David L. Rule
2005-2008

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2009-2022

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Dr. John Selmon, who became President of MCC on July 1, 2022, has more than three decades of experience serving in key leadership roles at both public and private higher education institutions. Well acquainted with Muskegon Community College (MCC) as the Provost/Executive Vice President for the past 11 years, Dr. Selmon provided leadership and oversight for Academic Affairs, Athletics, Facilities, and Student Services.

Prior to coming to MCC, Dr. Selmon served as the Executive Dean of Student Services at Lake Michigan College in Benton Harbor, Michigan, after working in Student Services at Kennesaw State University in Atlanta, Georgia. He began his career in Michigan with Grand Rapids Junior College prior to joining the Davenport University Educational System, where he held numerous administrative roles during his 18-year tenure leading to his position as the Davenport system’s group vice president.

The Mansfield, Ohio, native earned a Doctorate in Educational Leadership and a Master of Arts in Educational Leadership from Eastern Michigan University. He earned a Bachelor of Science in Education from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. In addition, he is a 2020 graduate of the Aspen Institute’s Presidential Fellows Program.

An accomplished student-athlete, Dr. Selmon was a National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) All-American wrestler on Grand Rapids Junior College’s national championship team. He was elected to the NJCAA Wrestling Hall of Fame in 1990. At the University of Nebraska, he won the Big Eight Conference Outstanding Wrestler Award, was a two-time Big Eight Conference champion and a two-time Big Eight Academic Team honoree. He was a National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) All-American who represented the United States in international competition.

The 2002 recipient of Grand Rapids Community College’s Distinguished Alumni Award, Dr. Selmon and his wife, Zephra, have been married for 35 years and have two adult children, Jonathan and Jacquelyn.
Presidential Search
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Mission
Muskegon Community College, dedicated to equity and excellence, prepares students, builds communities, and improves lives.

Vision
An educated, inclusive community

Guiding Values
Learning
Integrity
Excellence
Collaboration
Kindness

Strategic Priorities
Access, Equity, Excellence
We are so happy and grateful beyond words for the support of our family, friends, colleagues, and the community throughout the years and today at this moment of great celebration. This is truly an exciting time for us as we begin this new chapter of our lives. Thank you for all the support!

-John and Zephra Selmon
Of course you can.

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