Sept. 15-18 Inauguration Events Announced

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Delaware State University will hold four days of inauguration-related events that will formally christen the new tenure of Dr. Harry Lee Williams as the 10th president in the history of the institution – including a formal Installation Ceremony at 10 a.m. Friday, Sept. 17 in the Memorial Hall Gymnasium.

DSU's Board of Trustees and faculty will be in full regalia for the installation and will be joined by others from the campus, city and state communities. The ceremony will include guest speakers, as well as music by the DSU Concert Choir and Band.

Dr. Harry Lee Williams will be inaugurated as the University's 10th president in its 119-year history.

In anticipation a large attendance at the installation, there will also be overflow sites in the College of Business' Longwood Auditorium and the Education & Humanities Theatre where video screens will broadcast the ceremony live.

Following the ceremony, there will be an Investiture Reception in the outdoor basketball court area between the Wellness & Recreation Center and the MLK Student Center. In case of rain, that reception will be moved into the Wellness & Recreation Center.

In addition to Installation Ceremony, the following related events will take place Sept. 15-18:

- Wednesday, Sept. 15 – An evening Inaugural Kickoff Lecture will take place at 6 p.m. featuring a presentation by Dr. Michael N. Liebman, president and managing director of Strategic Medicine, Inc. He will speak on “Personalized Medicine: Challenges, Opportunities and What it Means to You.” The presentation will take place in the campus' Longwood Auditorium, Bank of America Building.
- Thursday, Sept. 16 – The University’s impressive research portfolio will be featured in a showcase entitled “DSU in Motion – Connecting Research to our Communities,” in the MLK Student Center 2nd floor parlor from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Friday, Sept. 17 – “An Evening of Inspiration” will be a Black Tie (optional) event that will showcase a diverse variety of entertainment, featuring jazz and blues vocalist Karen Somerville. The festivities – which will take place from 7-11 p.m. that evening – will include a silent auction, heavy hors d’oeuvres, gourmet desserts and more. Tickets are $75 with the net proceeds will to go toward DSU scholarships. For tickets or more info, call the Office of Development at (302) 857-6055.
- Saturday, Sept. 18 – DSU students, faculty and staff will fan out in groups throughout Kent County to participate in a wide variety of community service projects in an endeavor entitled “Side-by-Side Community Pride."
- Sept. 1-18 – Coinciding and embraced as part of Inauguration events will also be a DSU Alumni Art Exhibition featuring the works of five alumni artists – Tony Burton, ’78; P. J. Foster, ’72; Alex Gamble, ’97; Michael J. Morris, ’75; and Carl Williams, ’76. The group of alumni artists will exhibit a diverse array of works including watercolors, oils, photography, graphic and other mediums.

For more information, visit the inauguration webpage at desu.edu/inauguration. [1]

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