

Black Graduation and Achievement Ceremony

Friday, June 14 | 5 p.m.
Visual & Performing Arts Center

*Change will not come if we wait for some other person or some
other time. We are the ones we've been waiting for.
We are the change that we seek.*

– Barack Obama



Black Faculty, Staff
and Administrators Network


2024

Congratulations to the Class of 2024!

Feven Asmelash

Jessica Bryant

Siena Darbey

Amariah Davidson

Amanuel Demelash

Lydia Dessu

Khadija Elmahi

Hawi Feisa

Kahmeya Ferguson

Joseph Flood

Briane Gadson

Cyrene Gardner

Niyana Graves

Taeshon Hurd

Zahra Jahankhah

Daniel Johnson

Amari Maze

Michael McGillicuddy

Aysia Minor

Marcus Moore

Mirah Rasoarimino

Hannah Ratliff

Micah Rudin

Rhema Sosimi

Jade Stevens

Alana Washington

Kristian Washington

Brianna Wiley

Jonathan Yancy

BFSA Scholarships

Amari Maze

Student Scholarship

Rhema Sosimi

Academic Excellence

Jade Stevens

Student Achievement

W.E.B. Du Bois Awards

Taeshon Hurd

Alana Washington

Sankofa Awards

Amanuel Demelash

Kristian Washington

UMOJA Awards

Jessica Bryant

Excellence Award

Micah Rudin

Leadership Award

Program

• Opening Performance •

Libation

Kuumba

African Dance and Drumming

• Welcome •

Glynn Wallis, M.S.

Co-Chair, BFSA Network; Counselor

• Black National Anthem •

“Lift Every Voice and Sing”

Diane Rose Fonkwo

Umoja Student

• Greeting and Acknowledgements •

Michelle Hernandez, M.S.

Dean, Equity and Engagement

• Introduction of Student Speaker •

Maurice Canyon, M.S.

Co-Chair, BFSA Network; Counselor/Coordinator, Umoja

• Student Speaker •

Micah Rudin

Umoja Student; President, Black Student Union

• Dance and Drumming Performance •

Kuumba

• Introduction of Keynote Speaker •

Mr. Canyon

• Keynote Speaker •

Terence Elliott, Ed.D.

Professor of Music and Humanities, Diablo Valley College; Board Member, A²MEND

• Presentation of Scholarships and Awards •

Mr. Canyon

• Presentation of Certificates •

Leah Smith, M.A.

Counselor, EOPS

• Closing Remarks •

Mr. Wallis

• Closing Performance •

Kuumba

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