



# HARVARD ALUMNI ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING 2022

## HARVARD ALUMNI DAY

Friday, June 3, 2022

Tercentenary Theatre

Vanessa W. Liu AB '96, JD '03, President, Harvard Alumni Association

Philip W. Lovejoy, Associate Vice President and Executive Director, Harvard Alumni Association

## ORDER OF PROGRAM

- 1:30 p.m. Alumni Parade from Old Yard and Sever Quadrangle into Tercentenary Theatre
- 2:30 p.m. Annual Meeting of the Harvard Alumni Association
- Welcome from the President of the HAA  
Vanessa W. Liu AB '96, JD '03
- Remarks and Recognition  
Vanessa W. Liu
- Remarks by the Chief Marshal of the Alumni  
Allyson Hobbs AB '97
- Report to the Alumni  
Lawrence S. Bacow JD '76, MPP '76, PhD '78
- “Radcliffe Now We Rise to Greet Thee”  
Harvard University Band and members of the Harvard Choruses
- Presentation of Harvard Medals  
Lawrence S. Bacow
- Address by the Harvard Alumni Day Speaker  
Tracy K. Smith AB '94
- “Fair Harvard”  
Harvard University Band and members of the Harvard Choruses

# THE 2022 HARVARD MEDAL RECIPIENTS

The Harvard Medals have been given by the Harvard Alumni Association (HAA) since 1981 in recognition of extraordinary service to the University.

[Learn about the Harvard Medal recipients](#)

## **AVARITA L. HANSON AB '75**

An exemplary and energetic volunteer, mentor, and community builder for more than four decades, you have devoted your life to uplifting others at Harvard and beyond, creating a thriving affinity space that has empowered countless Black undergraduates and alumnae, and continually advocating for diversity, equity, and justice for all.

## **WILLIAM F. LEE AB '72**

Wise, thoughtful, open-minded, strategic, selfless, and profoundly dedicated, you have provided steady and ambitious leadership that has advanced the University's core mission of education, research, and service; upheld its commitment to fostering a diverse community that values difference; and enhanced its governance in ways that will benefit the institution for generations to come.

## **DWIGHT D. MILLER EDM '71**

For more than half a century, your unwavering pursuit of the brightest minds from all backgrounds and economic circumstances for admission into Harvard College has shaped the student body and greatly enriched the University community, while your signature humor, compassion, and mentorship have nurtured a welcoming environment where every person can thrive.

## **TOM REARDON AB '68**

With a clear vision, a collaborative mindset, and a sense of duty to your fellow veterans, you have worked tirelessly to strengthen Harvard's military community, building an extraordinary network that supports thousands of veterans on and off campus, eases their transition into civilian life, and honors their proud history of service and sacrifice.

# THE 2022 HARVARD ALUMNI DAY SPEAKER

## **TRACY K. SMITH AB '94**

Tracy K. Smith is a Susan S. and Kenneth L. Wallach Professor at the Harvard Radcliffe Institute and a professor of English and of African and African American Studies in the Faculty of Arts and Sciences.

Smith received the 2012 Pulitzer Prize in poetry for her third book of poems, *Life on Mars* (Graywolf Press, 2011). She is the author of the memoir *Ordinary Light* (Knopf, 2015), a finalist for the National Book Award for nonfiction, and three other books of poetry: *Wade in the Water* (Graywolf Press, 2018); *Duende* (Graywolf Press, 2007), recipient of the James Laughlin Award from the Academy of American Poets; and *The Body's Question* (Graywolf Press,

2003), which was selected by Kevin Young for the 2002 Cave Canem Poetry Prize, awarded to Black poets of African descent for an exceptional first book.

Smith served two terms as poet laureate of the United States (2017–19), during which time she traveled across America, hosting poetry readings and conversations in rural communities.

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