



PRESIDENTIAL INVESTITURE

Detroit Institute of Arts
March 18, 2024

About President Kimberly Andrews Espy

Dr. Kimberly Andrews Espy is the 13th president of Wayne State University. A respected leader with more than 25 years of higher education experience, she previously served as the provost and senior vice president at the University of Texas at San Antonio, where she promoted social mobility and academic excellence. An elected fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, her research on child development has been continuously funded by the NIH since 2002. President Espy holds a Ph.D. in clinical neuropsychology from the University of Houston and has contributed significantly to her field while serving on numerous national and state leadership boards.

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PROCESSIONAL

“Procession of Nobles,” by Nikolai Rimsky-Korsakov and
“Pomp and Circumstance March No. 1,” by Edward Elgar

WELCOME

Laurie Lauzon Clabo, Ph.D., RN, FAAN
Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

MUSICAL SELECTION

“Lift Every Voice and Sing,” written by James Weldon Johnson
and composed by John Rosamond Johnson. Performed by
College of Fine, Performing and Communication Arts students
Shannon Dingle, Taylor Johnson-King and Jaela Beeks.

NATIONAL ANTHEM

Andrew Montano
Class of 2022, current graduate student
College of Fine, Performing and Communication Arts

SALUTATIONS

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School of Medicine

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Wayne County Executive

The Honorable Garlin Gilchrist II
Lt. Governor of the State of Michigan

REMARKS

Geri Richmond, Ph.D.
Under Secretary for Science and Innovation
U.S. Department of Energy

INTRODUCTION OF PRESIDENT

David Francis, Ph.D.
Hugh Roy and Lillie Cranz Cullen Distinguished University Chair
Department of Psychology
Director, Texas Institute for Measurement, Evaluation, and Statistics
University of Houston

INVESTITURE

Shirley Stancato and Bryan C. Barnhill II
Chair and Vice Chair, Wayne State University Board of Governors

ADDRESS

Kimberly Andrews Espy, Ph.D.
President

MUSICAL PERFORMANCE

Supremes tribute by College of Fine, Performing and Communication Arts
students Shannon Dingle, Taylor Johnson-King and Jaela Beeks

RECESSIONAL

“The Sinfonians,” by Clifton Williams

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