



**The Ole School,
AAAD, and the
OIEE Celebrate Black
History Month**

**ENCOURAGEMENT
COMMITMENT**



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2024

ENGAGEMENT COMMITMENT LEGACY

An Ole School Alumni Black History Month Event

5:30pm PRELUDE

Mingling with food and music by DJ Immaculate Sean Ayers

6pm ENGAGEMENT

Opening prayer

Malcolm Taylor, *Vice President*

Greetings and acknowledgments

Derek Steele, *President / Co Founder*

In loving remembrance of Forrest Andre Parker, Sr.

Angela Russell, *Executive Assistant to the President*

Emcee introductions and 'New School' vignettes

Alana Galbert, (*'24*) B.S. Psychology with minor in Pre-physical Therapy and

Kohle Nash, (*'27*) B.B.A. Marketing with minor in Music Industry

Musical selections

Invicta JMU Saxophone Quartet

6:30pm COMMITMENT

Remarks

Jonathan Alger, *President James Madison University*

Selections from *Dancescapes*

JMU's Virginia Repertory Dance Company

Honoring Donna Harper

Arthur Dean, *Associate Vice President for Diversity, Equity & Inclusion* and

David Owusu-Ansah, *Executive Director for Access & Educational Outreach and Professor of History*

15-minute Intermission

7:30pm A TRUE LEGACY

Paying tribute to Deborah Tompkins Johnson

Stan Tompkins

Comments

Deborah Tompkins Johnson

8pm CONTINUING OUR CONNECTIONS

Remarks

Heather Coltman, *Provost James Madison University*

Closing acknowledgments

Charles May, *Past President / Co Founder*

A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO...

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David Owusu-Ansah, *Executive Director for Access & Educational Outreach and Professor of History*

Delores Phillips, *Director African, African American, & Diaspora Studies Center and Associate Professor of English*

Kim Moubray, *Office of Inclusive Excellence & Engagement Administrative Assistant*

All our wonderful student performers: JMU's Virginia Repertory Dance Company, Invicta JMU Saxophone Quartet, and DJ Immaculate Sean Ayers

Video support from Media Arts & Design: Adrienne Hooker, *Associate Professor*, Samantha Rhinard (*'25*) and Judah Praise Acheampong (*'25*)



The mission of the James Madison University (JMU) Ole School Alumni Group (OSASG) is to serve as an instrument that promotes positive relationships among JMU's African American Alumni.

“To annually provide financial support via scholarship(s) to a minimum of one full-time undergraduate scholar and one newly admitted African American scholar.”

OLE SCHOOL LEADERSHIP TEAM

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