Awards Ceremony

Spring 2018



University of The Bahamas

Tuesday, 22nd May 2018, 3:00 p.m. Kendal G. L. Isaacs National Gymnasium Mychal Thompson Boulevard Nassau, The Bahamas

Forward Together in Pursuit of Greatness

At the age of 23, Robbyn Thompson is an experienced businesswoman. In 2012, she launched a hair and beauty retail business, 'Good Hair by Robbyn', in order to support her college education. Today, she is the sole proprietor of three stores on the islands of New Providence, Abaco and Exuma, with imminent plans for international expansion.

In 2015, Ms. Thompson obtained her Bachelor of Business Administration degree in Economics, with distinction, from the College of The Bahamas (now University of The Bahamas). She graduated with the Dienkabe Kureyang Memorial Award for Outstanding Academic Achievement in Economics and was nominated for the 2015 Bahamas Financial Services Board Student of the Year Award.

Two years later, Ms. Thompson obtained her Master of Science in International Trade, Strategy and Operations, with distinction, at the University of Warwick in the United Kingdom. She earned a first-class mark on her dissertation entitled, 'How could SMEs in The Bahamas Internationalize their Trade? An Examination of the Tourism Industry and Water-Based Tour Operator Sector of The Bahamas'.

Ms. Thompson has served in numerous leadership and professional capacities on national and international platforms. At COB, she served as Senator of the School of Business and Vice President of the Economic Society, earning her the 2015 Nassau Institute's Lecture Series Award. In the same year, she was selected as a research contributor to the National Development Plan of The Bahamas. While studying in England, she was selected as the Master of Ceremony for the 2017 Commonwealth Africa Summit.

Just recently, Ms. Thompson received the Commonwealth of The Bahamas Minister's Cup Award and the National Youth Award in Education in recognition of her outstanding achievements. She was recently invited to attend the 2018 Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting where she, along with other youth ambassadors from across the Commonwealth, will have the opportunity to meet with Heads of Government and Foreign Ministers to communicate youth priorities and issues affecting The Bahamas and other Commonwealth Nations.

Today, Ms. Thompson is an adjunct professor in Economics and Finance at University of The Bahamas where she continues to be a staunch advocate for education and entrepreneurship as well as youth and women empowerment.

ORDER OF CEREMONY

Moderator

Ashley Foulkes

Candidate for Graduation
Dip.Ed., Secondary: Family and
Consumer Sciences

National Anthem

Vocal Music Student Ensemble

Tonique Brown, Georvantae Wells, Carlette Adderley, Destiny Knowles Joel Sweeting, Christian Williams, Krystoph Deveaux, Ezekiel Thompson

Invocation

Marisa Greene

Candidate for Graduation B.A., Spanish

Welcome and Opening Remarks

Dr. Rodney D. Smith

President, University of The Bahamas

Introduction of Speaker

Ashley Foulkes

Moderator

Address

Ms. Robbyn Thompson, BBA'15

Entrepreneur and Adjunct Professor, UB

Musical Selection "Light in the Hallway" Pentatonix

Vocal Music Student Ensemble

Tonique Brown, Georvantae Wells, Carlette Adderley, Destiny Knowles Joel Sweeting, Christian Williams, Krystoph Deveaux, Ezekiel Thompson

Presentation of Awards

Dr. Craig Smith

Chair, English Studies

Dr. Walteria Tucker-Rolle

Chair, Communication and Creative Arts

Dr. Ruth Sumner

Dean, Social and Educational Studies

Mrs. Remelda Moxey,

Dean, Business, Hospitality and Tourism Studies

Dr. Carlton Watson

Dean, Pure and Applied Sciences

Presentation of Distinction Cords

Dr. Linda A. Davis

Provost

Presentation of the Faculty Excellence in Teaching Award

Dr. Linda A. Davis

Provost

Recipient:

Dr. Amin Kabir

Assistant Professor, Mathematics, Physics & Technology

Vote of Thanks

Dr. Walteria Tucker-Rolle

Co-Chair, Spring 2018 Awards Committee

SPECIAL AWARDS

Governor General's Award

Awarded to the Bachelor degree graduate with highest cumulative GPA over 3.70, who has demonstrated consistent excellent performance throughout his or her academic studies.

Honouree: Charleena C. Constantakis, BB.B.A., Accounting

Donor: University of The Bahamas

President's Award

Awarded to the Bachelor degree graduate(s) with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.50 and significant contribution to the University.

Honourees: *Marisa L. Green, B.A., Spanish*Donor: *University of The Bahamas*

University of The Bahamas Alumni Association Leadership Award

Awarded to the Bachelor degree graduate with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00 and demonstrated leadership in a University club or organization.

Honourees: Clifford N. Adderley, B.B.A., Marketing

Marlon K. Miller, B.A., Psychology

Donor: University of The Bahamas Alumni Association

Arlene Albury Scholar-Athlete Award

Awarded to the Bachelor degree graduate with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00; member of a varsity team for a minimum of two years; leader and mentor to other student-athletes with involvement in community activities.

Honouree: *Marlon K. Miller, B.A., Psychology*Donor: *Family of the late Arlene Albury*

University of The Bahamas-North Awards

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Honouree: Tyler Smith, B.Ed Primary Cert.: Special Education

Donor: University of The Bahamas

University of The Bahamas-North Award for Academic Excellence

Honouree: Kizzy D. Bowe-Herry, B.Ed. Primary Certification

Donor: University of The Bahamas

Business and Hospitality Management

Business and Hospitality Management Overall Student Award

Honouree: Clifford N. Adderley, B.B.A., Marketing

Donor: Fidelity Bank and Trust

Bahamas Chamber of Commerce Award for Academic Excellence

Honouree: Charleena C. Constantakis, B.B.A., Accounting

Donor: Bahamas Chamber of Commerce and Employers Confederation

Albania Academy Award for Management

Honouree: Denzanique T. McPhee, B.B.A., Management

Donor: Dr. Albert Ferguson

The Training Authority Award for Marketing

Honouree: Malcolm F. A. Foulkes, B.B.A., Marketing

Donor: The Training Authority

Bahamas Institute of Financial Services Award

Honouree: Erica D. Symonette, B.B.A., Banking and Finance

Donor: Bahamas Institute of Financial Services

Bachelor of Business Administration Banking and Finance with a Foreign Language Award

Honouree: Jacquella E. Gardiner, B.B.A., Banking and Finance with

a Foreign Language

Donor: Santander Bank and Trust

Certified Financial Analysts Society of The Bahamas Finance Award

Honouree: Angelique A. Butler, B.B.A., Finance

Donor: Certified Financial Analysts Society of The Bahamas

Livingstone Evans Memorial Award for Economics and Finance

Honouree: Ashley A. Murray, B.B.A., Economics and Finance
Donors: Ms. Karen Lockhart and JARLEM Bahamas

Ernst & Young Award for Accounting

Honouree: Charleena C. Constantakis, B.B.A., Accounting

Donor: Ernst & Young

Bahamas Institute of Chartered Accountants Award for Accounting

Honouree: Charleena C. Constantakis, B.B.A., Accounting Donor: Bahamas Institute of Chartered Accountants

JARLEM Award for Computer Information Systems

Honouree: Georgette E. Greenslade, B.B.A., Computer Information Systems

Donor: JARLEM Bahamas

Bachelor of Science in Hospitality Management Award

Honouree: Keri. S. Cartwright, B.Sc., Hospitality Management

Donor: Bahamas Hotel and Tourism Association

Bachelor of Science in Tourism Management Award

Honouree: Ianta E. Stubbs, B.Sc., Tourism Management

Donor: British Colonial Hilton

CHEMISTRY, ENVIRONMENTAL AND LIFE SCIENCES

Chemistry, Environmental and Life Sciences Overall Student Award

Honouree: Andrell Burrows, B.Sc., Biology with Chemistry

Donor: Dr. Veronica Toppin

Chemistry, Environmental and Life Sciences Award for Academic Excellence

Honouree: Javonya N. Bethel, B.Sc., Biology with Chemistry
Donor: Chemistry, Environmental and Life Sciences

Portia M. Smith Memorial Award for Bachelor of Science in Biology with Chemistry

Honouree: Javonya N. Bethel, B.Sc., Biology with Chemistry
Donor: Chemistry, Environmental and Life Sciences

Bachelor of Science in Small Island Sustainability Award

Honouree: Louis A. Cleare, II, B.Sc., Small Island Sustainability

Donor: Dr. Dion Hepburn

COMMUNICATION AND CREATIVE ARTS

Communication and Creative Arts Overall Student Award

Honouree: Shawn Gomez, B.A., Media Journalism

Donor: H. G. Christie, Ltd.

Communication and Creative Arts Award for Academic Excellence

Honouree: Marissa L. Green, B.A., Spanish

Donor: Mr. Haldane Chase

Bachelor of Arts in Spanish Award

Honouree: Marissa L. Green, B.A., Spanish

Donor: Innovative Travel and Cuba Tours

Bachelor of Arts in Media Journalism Award

Honouree: Shanaye S. Smith, B.A., Media Journalism

Donor: Kyle Walkine

Associate of Arts in Art Award

Honouree: Kiana K Christie, A.A., Art

Donor: Popop Studios

Associate of Arts in French Award

Honouree: Sabian K Catalano, A.A., French

Donor: N&M Architects

Associate of Arts in Music Award

Honouree: Eric T. Fowler II, A.A., Music

Donor: Ambassah

Culinary Arts and Tourism Studies

Culinary Arts and Tourism Studies Overall Student Award

Honouree: Kenria A. Taylor, A.A.Sc., Culinary Arts

Donor: Ministry of Tourism

Culinary Arts and Tourism Studies Award for Academic Excellence

Honouree: Kenria A. Taylor, A.A.Sc., Culinary Arts

Donor: University of The Bahamas

Associate of Applied Science in Culinary Arts Award

Honouree: Kenria A. Taylor, A.A.Sc., Culinary Arts

Donor: Nassau Hotel & Restaurant Supplies and Original Patties Bakery

Limited

Associate of Applied Science in Hospitality Operations Award

Honouree: Anynke N. Austin, A.A.Sc., Hospitality Operations

Donor: Sun Oil Limited

Hans Von Rotz Memorial Pastry Award

Honouree: Kenria A. Taylor, A.A.Sc., Culinary Arts

Donor: Original Swiss Sweet Shop

EDUCATION

Bahamas Union of Teachers Overall Student Award

Honouree: Tremeco Higgs, B.Ed., Secondary Certification: Mathematics

Donor: Bahamas Union of Teachers

Education Award for Academic Excellence

Honouree: Kizzy Bowe-Herry, B.Ed., Primary Certification

Donors: Chase and Poitier Family

Bachelor of Education Early Childhood Certification Award

Honouree: Alexis Ferguson, B.Ed., Early Childhood Certification

Donor: Mrs. Neresa Bandelier

Bachelor of Education Physical Education Award

Honouree: Sonovia Sands, B.Ed., Kindergarten-Grade 12 Certification:

Physical Education

Donor: Mrs. Jennifer Isaacs-Dotson

Bachelor of Education Primary Certification Award

Honouree: Kizzy Bowe-Herry, B.Ed., Primary Certification

Donor: Primary Principals Association

Bachelor of Education Secondary Art Award

Honouree: Genaye Sherman, B.Ed., Secondary Certification: Art

Donor: Dr. Faith Butler

Bachelor of Education Secondary Biology/Combined Science Award

Honouree: Irwinique Storr, B.Ed., Secondary Certification: Biology/Combined

Science

Donor: Hepburn Enterprises

Bachelor of Education Secondary English Language and Literature Award

Honouree: Glen King, B.Ed., Secondary Certification: English Language &

Literature

Donor: Association of Public Secondary Schools

Bachelor of Education Secondary History/Geography Award

Honouree: *Michelle Moss, B.Ed., Secondary Certification: History/Geography*

Donor: Mrs. Elma Garraway

Bachelor of Education Secondary Mathematics Award

Honouree: Chakia Charlton, B.Ed., Secondary Certification: Mathematics

Donor: Mr. Patrick Bethel

Bachelor of Education, Secondary Certification: Spanish Award

Honouree: Aleacha Johnson, B.Ed., Secondary Certification: Spanish

Donor: *University of The Bahamas*

Bachelor of Education, Secondary Certification: French Award

Honouree: Anouse Estilien, B.Ed., Secondary Certification: French

Donor: Dr. Peter McWilliam

Bachelor of Education Secondary Music Education Award

Honouree: *Matthew Johnson*, *B.Ed.*, *Kindergarten-Grade 12 Certification*:

Music

Donor: Mrs. Audrey Wright

The Sheila Seymour Family and Consumer Science Education Award

Honouree: Racine Poitier, B.Ed. Secondary Certification: Family and

Consumer Sciences

Donor: Dr. Linda A. Davis

Grace Taylor Memorial Award for Diploma in Secondary Education

Honouree: Ashley Foulkes, Dip.Ed., Secondary

Donors: William Taylor and Family

Diploma in Education Adult, Workforce Education and Training Award

Honouree: Tamica Gibson, Dip.Ed., Adult, Workforce Education and Training

Donor: Dr. Andre Neely

ENGLISH STUDIES

English Studies Overall Student Award

Honouree: Breyant T. Marshall, B.A., English

Donor: Friends of English Studies

English Studies Award for Academic Excellence

Honouree: Janell L. Watkins, B.A., English
Donor: Friends of English Studies

MATHEMATICS, PHYSICS AND TECHNOLOGY

Bahamas Power and Light Co. Ltd. Award for Mathematics, Physics and Technology

Honouree: *Synade B. Smith, B.Sc., Mathematics*Donor: *Bahamas Power and Light Co. Ltd.*

Mathematics, Physics and Technology Award for Academic Excellence

Honouree: Daenell L. Thurston, B.Sc., Electrical Engineering Technology

Donor: Mathematics, Physics and Technology

George Swann Award for Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering Technology

Honouree: Daenell L. Thurston, B.Sc., Electrical Engineering Technology

Donor: George Swann

Carol Ritchie Memorial Award for Bachelor of Science in Mathematics

Honouree: Sean L. Adderley, B.Sc., Mathematics

Donor: Union of Tertiary Educators of The Bahamas

Associate of Arts in Architecture Award

Honouree: Edeisha R. McIntosh, A.A., Architecture

Donor: Institute of Bahamian Architects

Bahamas Society of Engineers Award

Honouree: Jeremy G. Stevens, A.Sc., Engineering

Donor: Bahamas Society of Engineers

Associate of Science in Mechanical Engineering Technology Award

Honouree: Jeremy G. Stevens, A.Sc., Mechanical Engineering Technology

Donor: Dr. Llewelyn Curling

Associate of Science in Civil Engineering Technology Award

Honouree: Rikeeya K. Williams, A.Sc., Civil Engineering Technology

Donor: Dr. Daniel Donkoh

Associate of Applied Science in Electro-Mechanical Technology Award

Honourees: Samson Hield, A.Sc., Electro-Mechanical Technology and

Dickensen Cepoudy, A.Sc., Electro-Mechanical Technology

Donor: Mr. Zendal Forbes

Nursing and Allied Health Professions

Nursing and Allied Health Professions Overall Student Award

Honouree: Tiajuana Been-McKenzie, B.Sc., Nursing Donor: Nursing and Allied Health Professions

Nursing and Allied Health Professions Award for Academic Excellence

Honouree: Cheyenne Courtamanche, B.Sc., Nursing

Donor: The Nurses Association of The Commonwealth of The Bahamas

Bachelor of Science in Nursing Award

Honouree: Cheyenne Courtamanche, B.Sc., Nursing

Donor: Public Hospitals Authority

Midwifery Award

Honouree: Lennoshka Munroe, Dip., Midwifery

Donor: Public Hospitals Authority

Community Health Nursing Award

Honouree: Gina Ferguson, Dip., Community Health Nursing

Donor: The Department of Public Health

SOCIAL SCIENCES

Social Sciences Overall Student Award

Honouree: Dominique E. Walker, B.A., Public Administration

Donor: Social Sciences

Social Sciences Award for Academic Excellence

Honouree: Antoinette King, B.A., Social Work

Donor: Social Sciences

Bachelor of Arts in Public Administration Award

Honouree: Dominique E. Walker, B.A., Public Administration

Donor: Department of Law and Government, UB

Bachelor of Arts in Social Work Award

Honouree: Antoinette King, B.A., Social Work

Donor: Social Sciences

Bachelor of Arts in Sociology Award

Honouree: Frankila D. Sands, B.A., Sociology
Donor: Social Science Academic Unit

Bachelor of Laws Award

Honouree: *Alphonso B. Lewis, III, LL.B.*Donor: *Justice Rubie Nottage (Ret.)*

Paul Albury Memorial Award for Bachelor of Arts in History Award

Honouree: Brittany O. Ritch, B.A. History
Donor: Bahamas Historical Society

Bahamas Psychological Association Bachelor of Arts in Psychology Award

Honouree: Lathiera D. Pratt, B.A., Psychology
Donor: Bahamas Psychological Association

Associate of Arts in Law and Criminal Justice Studies Award

Honouree: Ericia L. Saunders, A.A., Law and Criminal Justice Studies

Donor: Department of Law and Government, UB

Distinction Cord

The gold cord is worn by degree candidates graduating with distinction. The cumulative grade point average required for the award of distinction is 3.51 - 4.00.

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Bahamas Society of Engineers

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