THE INAUGURATION OF

Dr. Donald Generals

AS PRESIDENT OF

COMMUNITY COLLEGE
OF PHILADELPHIA

Friday, May 1, 2015
10 a.m.

Congregation Rodeph Shalom
615 N. Broad Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Dr. Donald Generals, a resourceful administrator and recognized advocate for community colleges providing an affordable means for students to achieve academic and career success, is the sixth President of Community College of Philadelphia. He began his tenure on July 1, 2014. An educator and seasoned researcher, Dr. Generals is an expert on the roots of the progressive education movement in America. This concept is advanced by leading educators who believe schools must be effective agencies of a democratic society. In 2013, Dr. Generals authored a book titled, *Booker T. Washington: The Architect of Progressive Education*. As he is drawn to the democratic mission of community colleges, he said, “Our mission demands that we pursue strategies that enable our students to achieve their goals, with the understanding that their successes serve the best interest of our economy and our community.”

A native of Paterson, N.J., Dr. Generals previously served as Vice President for Academic Affairs at Mercer County Community College in West Windsor, N.J. In that capacity, he led the development of new academic programs and the college’s Education Master Plan, including an expanded mission for its Trenton campus. He also increased the programming and course offerings of the college’s online instructional programs (MercerOnLine); developed its Study Abroad program; implemented an extensive redesign of its developmental education and ESL programs; and created a mini-grant program that enables faculty to design progressive educational initiatives. In New Jersey, he led the statewide effort to redesign the community college sector’s General Education curriculum.

In partnership with Quad Learning, Dr. Generals introduced and implemented the American Honors Program to provide honors courses and a national transfer network to highly motivated, exceptional Mercer students seeking to enroll in top four-year colleges and universities.
Previously, Dr. Generals served as Provost at the Katharine Gibbs School in New York City from 2003 to 2008, where he developed and supervised all associate's degree and certificate programs. From 2000 to 2003, he was Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs at SUNY Rockland Community College in Suffern, N.Y. He initiated and led the development and adoption of that college’s Core Educational Values; led the development of two new degree programs; and served as Acting President whenever necessary. Between 1984 and 2000, Dr. Generals worked at Passaic County Community College, serving as the Dean of Student and Cultural Affairs there beginning in 1995.

Dr. Generals has been officially appointed to the Philadelphia Works Board for a two-year term from September 1, 2014 through September 1, 2016. He is also a member of the Board of Directors of the Economy League of Greater Philadelphia. He has been active in numerous professional and service organizations, including: the New Jersey Academic Affairs Affinity Group, as chair; the National Alliance of Community and Technical Colleges, as a Board member since 2010; the College Board, Middle States Regional Council; and the Paterson Board of Education as a former Commissioner.

A veteran teacher and student-centric administrator, he has been a featured speaker on behalf of community colleges for nearly 20 years, including a presentation to the College Board Middle States Forum titled, “Rising to the Challenge: Supporting Student Success and College Completion at Democracy’s Colleges;” and earlier, another titled, “New Jersey's Developmental Education Initiative: Focusing on Student Success.”

Dr. Generals earned his Ed.D. in Social and Philosophical Foundations of Education at Rutgers University after earning both his M.A. in Urban Education/Community Service and his B.A. in Political Science at William Paterson College. Additionally, he earned certificates in administrative leadership and educational management at Cornell and Harvard universities.
1955  Mayor Joseph S. Clark, Jr., appoints a Committee on Higher Educational Opportunities in Philadelphia to survey higher education facilities in the area and to recommend how the growing number of those wanting more than a high school education could be served.


1960  The Philadelphia Commission on Higher Education is appointed and charged with the continuing responsibility of evaluating the community’s needs for higher education.


Mayor Tate appoints 15 members to the Board of Trustees, thus creating Community College of Philadelphia.

Mayor Tate officially establishes the College on April 28, 1964, in accordance with authorization ordinances of City Council and legislation passed by the Pennsylvania Legislature and signed into law by Gov. William W. Scranton. The mayor’s signature was a result of nearly 10 years of careful investigation, consideration and planning.

The Board of Trustees selects the eight-story building at 34 South Eleventh Street as the temporary site for the College.
Allen Thomas Bonnell, Ph.D., a Drexel University provost and special consultant to the Committee on Higher Educational Opportunities and co-author of its report, is appointed founding president of Community College of Philadelphia.

Community College of Philadelphia opens for classes on Sept. 23. Fall enrollment is 1,941.

The United States government gives the former United States Mint Building at 1700 Spring Garden Street to Community College of Philadelphia. Acquisition of neighboring property begins.

Groundbreaking begins for the construction of the new buildings on the permanent campus.

A cornerstone ceremony is held at the West Building on Oct. 6, 1982, officially dedicating the permanent campus.

The Northeast Regional Center is established.

The West Philadelphia Regional Center is established.

The Winnet Student Life Building and the College Gymnasium are completed and open for use.

The Northwest Regional Center is established.

The new Northeast Regional Center is opened at 12901 Townsend Road.

The new Northwest Regional Center is opened at 1300 W. Godfrey Avenue.

The new Center for Business and Industry building at 18th and Callowhill streets is opened.
2005  The Fox Rothschild Center for Law and Society is established.

2009  The Center for International Understanding, Center for Science and Engineering Education, and Center for Male Engagement are established. The Veterans Resource Center opens.

2010  The new building at the Northeast Regional Center opens; renovations are completed in the existing building. The Center for Small Business Growth, Education and Training opens.

2011  The new Pavilion Building opens in the fall at the Main Campus. The building houses the new Welcome Center, College bookstore, and student and staff dining services.

2014  Extensive renovations in the Bonnell, Mint and West buildings are completed in the fall, finishing a four-year project.
MUSICAL PRELUDE

Selections by the Jazz Ensemble of
Community College of Philadelphia
Anthony Ferrara, Director

CULTURAL PROCESSION

Our international students have come from around
the world to attend Community College of
Philadelphia. Their home countries are represented
through this presentation.

Albania    Ghana    Niger
Angola     Haiti     Nigeria
Antilles   Hong Kong Peru
Belarus     India     Poland
Benin       Indonesia Qatar
Brazil     Israel     Russian Federation
Burkina Faso Ivory Coast Saudi Arabia
Cambodia   Jamaica     Senegal
Cameroon   Japan      Slovakia
China      Jordan     South Korea
Colombia   Kuwait     Spain
Congo      Liberia     Taiwan
Ecuador    Mali       Turkey
France     Mexico     Venezuela
Gabon       Morocco     Vietnam
Georgia   Netherlands Yemen

THE ACADEMIC PROCESSION

The audience is requested to rise when the
Academic Procession enters and to remain
standing during the National Anthem. Also,
the audience is requested to stand and to remain
standing through the Recessional.

“Pomp and Circumstance”
by E. Elgar
ORDER OF MARCH

Cultural Procession

Mace Bearer
Richard Frei, Ph.D.

Faculty Marshals
Fred Dukes
Linda Fellag
Miles Grossbard, Ed.D.
Chuck Herbert
Dawn Janich
Aubria Phillips
Linda Powell, M.D.
Sandra Spicer-Sharp

Delegates of Colleges and Universities

Faculty and Administration of the College

The Presidential Party
President's Cabinet
Inauguration Ceremony Speakers
Board of Trustees
The President

The National Anthem
“The Star-Spangled Banner”
By John Stafford Smith;
Arr. Igor Stravinsky
The Concert Choir of
Community College of
Philadelphia
Robert A.M. Ross, Director
H.L. Smith, II, Accompanist

Presiding
Matthew Bergheiser
Chairperson, Board of Trustees

Greetings

From the City
The Honorable Michael A. Nutter
Mayor, City of Philadelphia

From the Faculty
Bridget McFadden
Officer, Faculty and Staff
Federation
The Inauguration Ceremony

From the Alumni
Darryl Irizarry, Jr.
Coordinator, Annual Fund and Alumni Relations

From the Students
Earl Junior Weeks
President, Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society

From Academic Colleagues
Clifford Greene, Ph.D.
Retired
Beverly Richardson, Ph.D.
Vice President of Special Projects
Burlington County College
Salvatore Rodriguez
Assistant Professor
Passaic County Community College

From Family
Duane Generals
Joann Gonzalez-Generals

Musical Selection
“The Last Words of David” by Randall Thompson
The Concert Choir of Community College of Philadelphia
Robert A.M. Ross, Director

Presentation of the Symbol of Office
Ronald Temple, Ph.D.
Third President, Community College of Philadelphia

Investiture
Matthew Bergheiser
Chairperson, Board of Trustees

Inaugural Address
Donald Generals, Ed.D.
President

Recessional
“Aida: Triumphal March” by Giuseppe Verdi
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## Delegates from Colleges and Universities

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<td>Franklin &amp; Marshall College</td>
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<td>University of the Sciences</td>
<td>Heidi Anderson, Ph.D.</td>
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<td>Mark Davies</td>
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<td>Moore College of Art &amp; Design</td>
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<td>Saint Joseph’s University</td>
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<td>National Alumni Board President</td>
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<td>Lincoln University</td>
<td>Valerie Harrison, Ph.D.</td>
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<td>Seton Hall University</td>
<td>A. Gabriel Esteban, Ph.D.</td>
<td>President</td>
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1863  
**La Salle University**  
James Gallagher, Ph.D.  
*Interim President*

1865  
**Peirce College**  
James Mergiotti  
*President and CEO*

1866  
**Lebanon Valley College**  
William H. Phifer  
*Alumnus*

1869  
**Wilson College**  
Betty Lou Thompson  
*Trustee*

1885  
**Bryn Mawr College**  
Deborah Diamond, Ph.D.  
*Alumnae Association Executive Board*

1886  
**Goldey-Beacom College**  
Gary L. Wirt, Ed.D.  
*President-Elect*

1891  
**Drexel University**  
N. John DiNardo, Ph.D.  
*Senior Vice Provost for Academic Affairs*

1912  
**Johnson College**  
Ann L. Pipinski, Ed.D.  
*President and CEO*

1913  
**Cairn University**  
Todd Williams, Ph.D.  
*President*

1919  
**Salus University**  
Michael H. Mittelman, O.D.  
*President*
Delegates

1921  Rosemont College  
       Sharon Hirsch, Ph.D.  
       President

1923  Rowan University  
       Bruce Caswell, Ph.D.  
       Associate Professor of Political Science  
       (retired)

1933  Union County College  
       Margaret M. McMenamin, Ed.D.  
       President

1933  Wilkes University  
       Charlotte Moser  
       Alumna

1939  Caldwell University  
       Nancy Blattner, Ph.D.  
       President

1942  Fairleigh Dickinson University  
       Anthony Curro  
       Alumnus

1957  The Community College of Baltimore County  
       Melissa Hopp  
       Vice President of Administrative Services

1964  Harrisburg Area Community College  
       John Sygielski, Ed.D.  
       President

1966  Community College of Beaver County  
       Christopher Reber, Ph.D.  
       President
Delegates

1966
Burlington County College
David Spang, Ph.D.
Senior Vice President and Provost

1966
Cumberland County College
Thomas Isekenegbe, Ph.D.
President

1966
Essex County College
Gale Gibson, Ed.D.
President

1966
Lehigh Carbon Community College
Ann Bieber, Ed.D.
President

1966
Mercer County Community College
Patricia Donohue, Ph.D.
President

1967
Camden County College
Ray Yannuzzi, D.A.
President

1967
Delaware County Community College
Jerome Parker, Ph.D.
President

1967
Luzerne County Community College
Thomas Leary
President

1971
Passaic County Community College
Steven M. Rose, Ed.D.
President

1972
Thomas Edison State College
George A. Pruitt, Ph.D.
President
Acknowledgments

Letters of Congratulations

Received as of April 20, 2015

Colleges and Universities

Butler County Community College
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East Stroudsburg University
Eastern University
Edinboro University
Elizabethtown College
Farleigh Dickinson University
Franklin & Marshall College
Georgian Court University
Geneva College
Gettysburg College
Grove City College
Guynord Mercy University
Haverford College
Indiana University of Pennsylvania
Juniata College
La Roche College
Lafayette College
Lebanon Valley College
Lehigh Carbon Community College
Lehigh University
Manor College
Marywood University
Millersville University
Misericordia University
Muhlenberg College
Neumann University
New Jersey City University
Pillar College
Robert Morris University
Rosemont College
Rowan University
Rutgers University
Slippery Rock University
Saint Francis University
The College of New Jersey
Thiel College
Union County College
University of Pennsylvania
University of the Sciences
Westminster College
William Paterson University
Wilson College

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Chair: Chelsea Pizzi
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Transportation

Chair: Darryl Irizarry, Jr.

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Adam Gil  Barbara McKenna
Chuck Herbert  Ricardo Newell
Diane Kae  Donna O’Day Dunbar
Jean Kemper  Cameo Pritchett
Rachelle King  Maurice Thomas
Karin LoVullo  Eric Westbrook

Acknowledgments
THE CONCERT CHOIR OF
COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF PHILADELPHIA

Robert A.M. Ross
Director and Chair, Music Department

H.L. Smith, II
Accompanist

The Concert Choir of Community College of Philadelphia is a special project of the Music Department of the College, drawing singers from the College’s faculty, staff, current students and alumni, plus additional singers from the larger community. The Concert Choir heard today will also sing at the Commencement Ceremony on May 2 at the Temple University Liacouras Center.

SOPRANOS
Shahara Clark, Student
Imani Hayes, Student
Pamela Hitchcock, Community Member
Divine Islam, Alumni
Cynthia Jones, Student
Jade Lassiter, Student
Zaria Leonard-White, Student
Toni Resnick, Community Member
Anne Sciolla, Faculty
Angelique Simmons-Keitt, Student
Leslie Spain, Community Member
Elizabeth Torres, Student
Yuhan Yao, Student

ALTO
Nadira Boddie, Student
Gloria Collins, Student
Lauren Deluca, Student
Mary Ellen Desmond, Faculty
Lashaye Exum, Student
Grace Flisser, Faculty
Melinda Harris, Alumni
Charlene Hoffman, Student
Beth Kauffman, Staff
Enid Krasner, Community Member

Acknowledgments
Traneice Johnson, Student
Shirley Kinlaw, Staff
Malaya McNeil, Student
Joanne Patti, Faculty
LaVerne Preston-Floyd, Student
Razan Rodgers, Staff
Leah Rothenberg, Student
Maureen Rush-Bogutz, Faculty
Idelisa Santiago, Student
Jacinta Siuma, Alumni
Denise Solomon, Staff
Judy Sussholtz, Faculty
Ida Swindle, Staff
Yanique Thomas, Student

Tenor
Michael Byler, Faculty
Joseph Cifoni, Alumni
Caleb Essenthier, Alumni
Jeffrey Haines, Staff
Jeffry King, Student
Rodney Walker, Student

Bass
Stephen Crissey, Student
Frederick Hall, Faculty
Bobby Phillips, Student
Alan Rothenberg, Community Member
Gregory Thomas, Staff

Inauguration Celebration

The Celebration on the Skyline will follow the inauguration at the Community College of Philadelphia Parking Plaza, Top Level, on 17th Street between Spring Garden and Callowhill. The Parking Plaza is located on the west side of the street, next to the Winnet Student Life Building.