

*Summer
Commencement
Exercises*

College of Humanities Convocation

Brigham Young University

August 18, 2006

11:00 a.m.

Marriott Center

Program

Administrative Representative	Brian K. Evans, Chief Financial Officer
Organ Prelude and Processional	Jeffrey Turley, Associate Professor Spanish
Conducting	John R. Rosenberg, Dean College of Humanities
Invocation	Gregory Clark, Associate Dean
Remarks	Dean Rosenberg
Talk by Student Representative	Heather McNair BA Korean
Violin and Piano Duet "Pioneer Suite for Violin and Piano" by Daniel McDavitt	Daniel Robert Mundy McDavitt, <i>piano</i> BA Humanities / Music and Joshua Stewart Weed, <i>violin</i> BA English Teaching
Convocation Speaker	Joyce Nelson, Professor English Teaching
Presentation of Graduate Certificates and Master's Degrees	
Presentation of Baccalaureate Degrees	
Benediction	Kelli Ann Skinner MA English
Recessional	Jeffrey Turley

Scholastic Recognition

Candidates for Summa Cum Laude

Summa cum laude is awarded to the top 1.0 percent of those students receiving bachelor's degrees who have earned at least 45 hours of credit at Brigham Young University.

Amy Martha Brenneman
Matthew G. Geilman
Hannah Pritchett
Jenny Elizabeth Sneddon
Jenny Widdison

Candidates for Magna Cum Laude

Magna cum laude is awarded to the top 1.1 to 5.0 percent of those students receiving bachelor's degrees who have earned at least 45 hours of credit at Brigham University.

Travis Kurt Alvord
Adam Waddell Bentley
Benjamin Ashby Brinton
Rachel Ellen Castleton
Benjamin Sheldon Child
Julia Christensen
Arly Crawford Evensen
Megan Lena Johnson
Danielle Severson Koberstein
Heather McNair
Rebecca Suzanne Robison
Ashleigh Lynn Self
Theresa Richards Simonsen
Ryan Rodney Stodtmeister
Rachel Kimball Wilcox
Jennifer Rebecca Williamson
William Lamont Worden
Emilie Pénélope Zúñga

Candidates for Cum Laude

Cum laude is awarded to the top 5.1 to 10.0 percent of those students receiving bachelor's degrees who have earned at least 45 hours of credit at Brigham Young University.

Rebecca Quist Barlow
Rebecca Bogardus
Caden Vaughn Clegg
Emily Ann Davis
Kristina Suzette Gibby
Rebekah Gamblin Hall
Brian Gleason James
John Robert Johnson
W. Gregg Johnstun
Jacqueline Lee Layton
Lara Ellertson Mills
Sean Patrick Northrup
David Wells Orton
Rebecca Enyeart Romney
Sara Elizabeth Steed
Kellyanne Ure
Sarah Theresa Wald
Cory Glen Walker
Elizabeth Eldon Wickham
Eliot John Wilcox
Maren Kay Williams

Graduates with University Honors

In addition to their major studies, all honors graduates have completed a comprehensive program in general education. University Honors is a distinction reserved for those few who have excelled in the university's most rigorous course of general and major education. Typically, those students have completed at least six honors general education courses, maintained a 3.50 or higher GPA in both honors and all other courses, demonstrated proficiency in mathematics and a foreign language, completed a reading list, and written an honors thesis in their major field.

Brian Gleason James
Marcee Monroe
Hannah Pritchett
Ryan Rodney Stodtmeister
Rachel Kimball Wilcox
William Lamont Worden

Graduating Members of the Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society

Scott Jeffrey Bowles
Benjamin Ashby Brinton
Benjamin S. Child
Julia Christensen
Joshua S. Gillon
Rebekah Gamblin Hall
John R. Johnson
Jessica Martin
Ryan Doxey Smith
Ryan R. Stodtmeister
Cory Glen Walker
Rachel Kimball Wilcox

Graduate Programs

MASTER OF ARTS DEGREES

English

Alisa Brough
Benjamin J. Burr
Ammie Sorensen Cannon
Nicole Marie Carlson
Jessica Scoville Curtis
Joseph James Darowski
Breanne Grover
Andrew Seth Jorgensen
Rachel Mae Ligairi
Jacquelyn Nichole Mantyla
Emily L. Metheny
Ryan Craig Shoemaker
Kelli Ann Skinner
Jeffrey Wayne Windsor

Humanities, Classics, and Comparative Literature

COMPARATIVE STUDIES

Rachelle Helene Koenen

HUMANITIES

Erin Gayle Bastian
Paula Kay Hurren

Language Acquisition

Katherine Dz Rung Chen

Linguistics and English Language

LINGUISTICS

Jonathan Michael Dehdari
LaReina Hingson
Ronald Millett
Kit Raymond Pai

TEACHING ENGLISH TO SPEAKERS OF OTHER LANGUAGES

Kristi Lundstrom
Robb Mark McCollum
Abel Javier Romo

Spanish and Portuguese

PORTUGUESE

James Butler Dewey
Christopher Taggart Lewis

SPANISH

Rosalia Casal
David Michael Evans
Wesley D. Peck

GRADUATE CERTIFICATES

Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages

Carol L. Hawkins
Paul Morley
Aurora Rocio Torrejon
Bobbie Jo Traut

Baccalaureate Degrees

American Studies

Kerry Soper, Director

BACHELOR OF ARTS

Katherine Nibley Isom Bills
Scott Jeffrey Bowles
Benjamin Sheldon Child
Joseph Wallace Cramer
Brant Wesley Ellsworth
Amy Elizabeth Hatch
Joseph Cannon Lambert
Ashley Jane Larsen
Cammie Kathryn Crozier
Larsen
Darin Christopher Poulson
Jared Sorensen Rife
Jessica G. Weirich

Asian and Near Eastern Languages

Robert A. Russell, Chair

CHINESE

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Cameron Craig Brown
Morgan Andrew Eldridge
James C. Fowler
Dustin Michael Glazier
Gary Nathan Nakken
Matthew B. Sandberg
James Avard Toone
John Aaron Wirthlin
Aaron Avery Wood
William Lamont Worden

JAPANESE

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Brent M Bushman
Brian Gleason James
Chad Benjamin Murphy
Jason B. Nelson
Ryan Doxey Smith

KOREAN

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Brandon Davis Cushenberry
Heather McNair
Karl Christian Schaefermeyer

English

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Kristi Lyn Allen
Timothy James Anderson
Seth David Ballstaedt
Rebecca Quist Barlow
Heidi Snow Barrett
Debbie Alyce Bernhisel
Cornelia Björnson
Amy Martha Brenneman
Jessica Caroline Brown
Heather Anne Burch
Melissa Marie Burciaga
Hilary E. Burgoon

Caren Jeanette Burns
Melissa Jean Caldwell
Todd Dean Christensen
Christina Marie Ciancanelli
Emily Ann Cluff
Brittany Ruth Renee Cameron
Corbett
Robert Patrick Costello
Annaliese B Cox
Rebecca Lynn Derington
Vanessa Munns Dewey
Meredith Kathryn Eaton
Aaron Alexander Edwards
Larissa Castagno Estes
Jessica Ann Farmer
Jessica Ruth Forsyth
Matthew Callis Fowler
Steven Farrell Garvin
Britta Lisa Gifford
Courtney Alameda Goff
David Martin Goldthorpe
George Michael Gordon-Smith
Elizabeth Ariana Graham
Camille Griffin
Erin Katherine Griffith
Garrett R. Hall
Rachel Jane Hall
Sarah McKenzie Hall
Tiffany Jones Hancock
Elden Keith Hansen
Richard Scott Harper
Dorothy Allison Hatch
Jenna Hatch
Jamie Lyn Hauglid
Emily Benton Hegvik
Jodi Chapman Heiner
Breckan Kristine Hicks
Jacquelyn Higley
Jacob M Hodgen
Karen Marie James
Matthew James Jeffs
Brenda Marie Johnson
John Robert Johnson
Megan Lena Johnson
Megan Jo Kauffman
Elson Budd Keeler
Sarah Allison Keller
Jason Eugene Kim
Claire Ellen Koltko
Elizabeth Duffy Kunz
Gretchen Elaine Lape
Jacqueline Lee Layton
Tara Leithead
Haley Lyster
Adam Tyler Maguet
Emily Jones Marshall
Heather Lee Matthews
Alice Melanie McClure
Alma Danielle McGinn
Catherine McKernan
James Benson McKnight

Lara Ellertson Mills
Kressyda Rachelle Ming
Marcee Monroe
Jessica K. Munk
Susan Danielle Myers
Jessica Ames Nelson
Mark Robert Nelson
Marisa Beck Neyenhuis
Matthew J Nielson
David Miller Ochs
Travis Bennion Olsen
David Wells Orton
Mark Garff Owens
Beth Anne Parker
Orlando Pate
David Wayne Pepper
Elizabeth Jane Perryman
Kristi Lynn Peters
Kathryn Kriste Peterson
Sarah Phelps
Shannon Marie Phelps
Elizabeth Jane Pilling
Marcus Cameron Pipkin
Natalie Evans Pitt
Amy Harriet Reall
Dana Goodrich Robb
Angelina Roman
Catheryn S Roundy
Pamela Sawyer
Lyle M Schofield
Kayleen Moore Scott
Ashleigh Lynn Self
Theresa Richards Simonsen
Alan Palmer Smith
Jesse R. Snyder
Joshua L. Sorensen
Erin Wilcox Stewart
JanaLee Stocks
Rebecca Joy Stoddard
Ryan Rodney Stodtmeister
Brooke Nielson Stoneman
Melissa Marie Stricklan
Bill K Strobehn
Katherin Elizabeth Swanson
Elizabeth Ann Tanner
Jennifer Jeanne Thayne
Kellyanne Ure
Autumn Faith Vetter
Mark T Wagner
Courtney Whittington
Wallace
Linda Walton
Oliver David Welch
Michael Vincente Whetten
Brigham Karl White
Jenny Widdison
Eliot John Wilcox
Maren Kay Williams
Jonathan Max Wilson
Heather Hollingshead Wright

ENGLISH TEACHING

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Jeanine Marie Gee
Rebekah Gamblin Hall
Rebecca Ane Powlan High
Danielle Severson Koberstein
Jessica Martin
Jennifer Leigh Merrill
Megan Peterson
Rebecca Suzanne Robison
Jenny Elizabeth Sneddon
Joshua Stewart Weed
Jackson J. Westenskow
Jennifer Rebecca Williamson

French and Italian

Yvon R. LeBras, Chair

FRENCH

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Christophe Michael Bush
Hillary Margaret Coates
Matthew Brent Guinn
Andrek J Ingersoll
Sarah Knight
Emily Cherril Mendenhall
Megan Rasmussen
Sara Elizabeth Robison
Anabelle Stéphanie Selway
Sara Elizabeth Steed
Scott Andrew Stonehocker

ITALIAN

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Joseph Whiteley Salisbury

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Sean Patrick Northrup
Daniel Jared Rains
Peter Wesley Smith
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Linda Alleman Hutchings
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Abrial Kathryn-Anne Hunter
Kristina Jeanne Kitchen
Sergio Andrés Lewis
Nicharee Limsukon
Eric James May
Esther Theresa Packard
Marianne Pease
Hannah Pritchett
Sandy Fetuao Steimle
Gary Lance White
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Emilie Pénélope Zúñiga

Philosophy

Daniel Graham, Chair

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Nathaniel James Hill
Spencer D. Lawson
David James Linthorst
Marie Roberts
Rachel Elizabeth Scoma
Nathan Brian Singleton
Casey Hunter Swensen
Geoffrey Stefan Uyleman
Cory Glen Walker
Rachel Kimball Wilcox
Daniel Kent Wood
Leah Toshina Trammell
Young

Spanish and Portuguese

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John Trevor Holbrook
Jonathan Stephen Johnson
Russel Seth Morgan

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Steven C. Clark
James Henry Clifford
Jared G. Critchfield
Emily Ann Davis
John A. De La Cruz
Judith Lamoreaux Dutton
Celeste LaVaughn Estes
Emiliano Ariel Ferreira
Matthew G. Geilman
Taylor Afton Groff
Gina Marie Hardy
Travis Collins Harmor
Bryan Nikkilas Henrie
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Benjamin Lee Lloyd
Rebecca Ann Proper

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Analyze Chávez
Jerry Dean Gariety
Bonny Lurth
Elizabeth Mary Nenque

Independent Study

GENERAL STUDIES

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GENERAL STUDIES
Jane Eileen Cleere Johnson
Monica Rai Schmalz
Terri Lee Preston Smith

Candidates listed for graduation will be awarded degrees subject to completion of all requirements.

Convocation Participants and Honoree

Daniel Robert Bundy McDavitt is graduating with a major in humanities with a music emphasis. A pianist and vocalist, he has long been interested in music composition and arranging but focuses on choral music, especially for men's voices. Using scripture texts, early American texts, and the works of such poets as Robert Burns, Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, John Milton, and Christina Rossetti, he has composed and arranged various instrumental pieces, including "Pioneer Suite for Violin and Piano," which was awarded special recognition in the annual LDS Church music submission and will premiere here today. Many of his pieces have been recorded, including 15 commissioned arrangements for organ that were recorded this summer and an oratorio based on 2 Nephi 4. Daniel will begin a master's program in choral conducting at BYU in September.

Heather McNair is from Wasilla, Alaska. She graduated summa cum laude from the University of Alaska with an associate of arts degree. She enjoys hiking, fishing, and canoeing during the summer and sitting near a warm fireplace in the winter, but her favorite pastime is jumping in puddles during a summer rainstorm. Her major evolved from serving in the Korea Seoul West Mission. From kimchi and rice fields to the study of Korea's history, culture, and language, she loves everything Korean. She has taught Korean 101 and 102 for three semesters and last summer was able to attend the 50th anniversary of the Church of Jesus Christ in Korea. Her greatest desire is to learn all she can so that she can be an instrument in the Lord's hands. Heather plans to marry in September, have a family of 10 children, go to law school—and learn how to fix her own car.

Kelli Ann Skinner, from Lindon, Utah, is graduating with an MA in English literature. Daughter of Andrew and Janet Skinner, she received a mentoring grant last fall to conduct research at the British Library in London and to participate as a guest lecturer for a Shakespeare course. She has taught courses in English as a second language, first-year composition, and technical writing. She received an Excellence in ESOL (English for speakers of other languages) Teaching Award from the Provo School District and published an article on writing pedagogy in the English Composition Department's *Guide to Teaching English 115*. She has delivered papers at several academic conferences and this winter received a Research Presentation Award for a paper that developed from an exhibit she curated in the L. Tom Perry Special Collections last summer. After graduation Kelli will move to Washington, D.C., to teach writing at a university there.

Joshua Stewart Weed is graduating with his BA in English teaching. He has played the violin for 16 years and was a section leader in BYU's Symphony Orchestra. He and his family have moved to Seattle, Washington, where he will be teaching junior high school while pursuing a master's degree in marriage and family therapy at Seattle Pacific University. Joshua will be playing on a violin made by his grandfather Woodrow Mousley.

Rachel Kimball Wilcox, daughter of Reed and Diane Wilcox, grew up in Littleton, Colorado, then spent her high school years in Aix-en-Provence, France. A philosophy major at BYU, she was academic chair of the Honors Student Advisory Council, Honors Program representative on the BYU Student Advisory Council, a member of Phi Kappa Phi and the Utah Academy of Sciences, Arts, and Letters, and a Hinckley Scholar. Rachel leaves next week to spend a year in Accra, Ghana, where she will be filming a documentary on the Malaria Cure Project, a medical research initiative involving a promising new treatment for malaria and other tropical diseases. She will also be working with women's literacy programs.

Convocation Speaker

Joyce Nelson has always had a love affair with teaching English. And if it is true that motivation is intrinsic to the talent, we can better understand her passion. One of her colleagues in the English Department has said that Joyce is one of the best-known and respected English educators in Utah—and that she has done more than anyone else to improve the quality of teacher preparation in the BYU English Department. She joined the department full-time in 1990, after having taught for 10 years as adjunct faculty.

Joyce brought with her abundant experience and many awards for excellence, achieved during the more than 30 years she taught in the public schools. In 1978 she was a runner-up to the Utah Teacher of the Year. In 1984 and again in 1989 BYU awarded her the Student Alumni Award of Excellence in High School Teaching. She was also cited in 1989's *Who's Who in American Education*. She was named Most Influential Teacher by both the Provo High School class of 1989 and the class of 1990. And in 1992 her peers honored her with the Utah Council of Teachers of English Teacher of the Year Award.

That same year she was appointed head of the English teaching program at BYU, and under her direction the program's quality and scope has consistently improved. The increasing number of majors and the superiority of their education drew high praise from on-site reviewers for the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education. The council indicated that BYU's graduating English teachers are among the best in the state.

Joyce has conducted numerous professional workshops and given countless speeches. She is also a gifted writer, and in 2002 the National Institute of Health invited her to participate in a grant researching the brain imaging of learning-disabled children. She is an active member of the unit assessment team in the David O. McKay School of Education and has served on the English Department's curriculum committee, with the International Reading Association, as government relations officer, as liaison representative for the State of Utah, and much, much more. Her commitment to English education and its students has been unwavering throughout her career.

On a personal note, Joyce is considered by numerous family members to be the greatest aunt in the world. Raised as a farmer's daughter, she continues to be grateful for the perspective she gained in her youth, especially in our increasingly technological and materialistic society. She loves nature and the magnificence of the world and says that a visit to Arches National Monument restores her soul. She has served on the YWMA General Board and was a district leader in the South Australian Mission under Bruce R. McConkie. In her ward she is a favorite Gospel Doctrine teacher, a calling she's enjoyed for 14 years.