

The Trustees and Faculty of Bard College
and the Members of the Class of 2026
request the honor of your presence at the

ONE HUNDRED

SIXTY-SIXTH

COMMENCEMENT



Saturday

the twenty-third of May

two thousand twenty-six

Bard College

Annandale-on-Hudson, New York

COMMENCEMENT SCHEDULE

Some events will be livestreamed.
Links will be posted the day of each event at bard.edu/commencement.

Thursday, May 21

Baccalaureate

Sosnoff Theater, Richard B. Fisher Center for the Performing Arts, 4:00 p.m.

Senior Class Awards Ceremony and Dinner

Blithewood Tent, 6:00 p.m.

Friday, May 22

Bard College Awards Ceremony

Commencement Tent

Reception, 5:30 p.m.

*Awards Ceremony and Dinner, 6:30 p.m.
(reservations required)*

Concert

Bard student soloists and composers in concert with The Orchestra Now (TÖN)
Leon Botstein, conductor
Sosnoff Theater, Richard B. Fisher Center for the Performing Arts, 9:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 23

Graduate Studies Commencement Exercises

Academic Procession, 10:30 a.m.

*Sosnoff Theater, Richard B. Fisher Center for the Performing Arts, 11:00 a.m.
Reception, 12:30 p.m.*

Brunch

For graduating seniors, their families, alumni/ae, and guests (reservations recommended) *Main Dining Room, Kline Commons, 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.*

Undergraduate Commencement Exercises

Academic Procession, 2:30 p.m.

Commencement Tent, 3:00 p.m.

Commencement Barbecue, Dance, and Fireworks

*Blithewood north lawn: dinner, 6:15 to 8:30 p.m. (reservations recommended);
dancing, 8:00 to 11:00 p.m.*

Sunday, May 24

Alumni/ae Memorial Service

Chapel of the Holy Innocents, 9:30 a.m.

For the schedule of events, visit bard.edu/commencement

GRADUATE STUDIES COMMENCEMENT

Saturday, May 23

Academic Procession, 10:30 a.m.

Commencement, 11:00 a.m.

Reverend Meredith Kadet Sanderson '04, officiating

Invocation

Commencement Address

Charge to the Graduates

Conferring of the Doctor of Philosophy, Master of Philosophy, and Master of Arts Degrees in Decorative Arts, Design History, Material Culture

Bard Graduate Center: Decorative Arts, Design History, Material Culture

Conferring of the Master of Fine Arts Degrees

Milton Avery Graduate School of the Arts

Conferring of the Master of Science Degrees in Environmental Policy, Master of Science Degrees in Climate Science and Policy, and Master of Education Degrees in Environmental Education

Bard Center for Environmental Policy

Conferring of the Master of Arts Degrees in Curatorial Studies

Center for Curatorial Studies and Art in Contemporary Culture

Conferring of the Master of Arts Degrees in Teaching

Master of Arts in Teaching Program

Conferring of the Master of Music Degrees in Vocal Arts and Master of Music Degrees in Conducting

Bard College Conservatory of Music

Conferring of the Master of Business Administration Degrees in Sustainability

Bard MBA in Sustainability

Conferring of the Master of Science Degrees and Master of Arts Degrees in Economic Theory and Policy

Levy Economics Institute of Bard College

Conferring of the Master of Music Degrees in Curatorial, Critical, and Performance Studies

The Orchestra Now (TÖN)

Conferring of the Master of Arts Degrees in Global Studies

Bard MA in Global Studies

Conferring of the Master of Arts Degrees in Human Rights and the Arts

Bard MA in Human Rights and the Arts

Conferring of the Master of Arts Degrees in Chinese Music and Culture

US-China Music Institute of the Bard College Conservatory of Music

Conferring of the Master of Music Degrees in Instrumental Studies

Bard College Conservatory of Music

Conferring of the Master of Arts Degrees in Public Humanities

Bard Prison Initiative

Benediction

UNDERGRADUATE COMMENCEMENT

Saturday, May 23

Academic Procession, 2:30 p.m.

Commencement, 3:00 p.m.

*James C. Chambers '81, Chair, Board of Trustees, Bard College, presiding
The Right Reverend Matthew F. Heyd, Board of Trustees, Bard College, officiating*

Invocation

Commencement Address

Conferring of Honorary Degrees

Charge to the Graduates

Conferring of the Associate in Arts Degrees

Bard Prison Initiative and Bard Microcolleges

Conferring of the Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts Degrees

American University of Central Asia

Conferring of the Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Music, and Bachelor of Science Degrees

Benediction

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