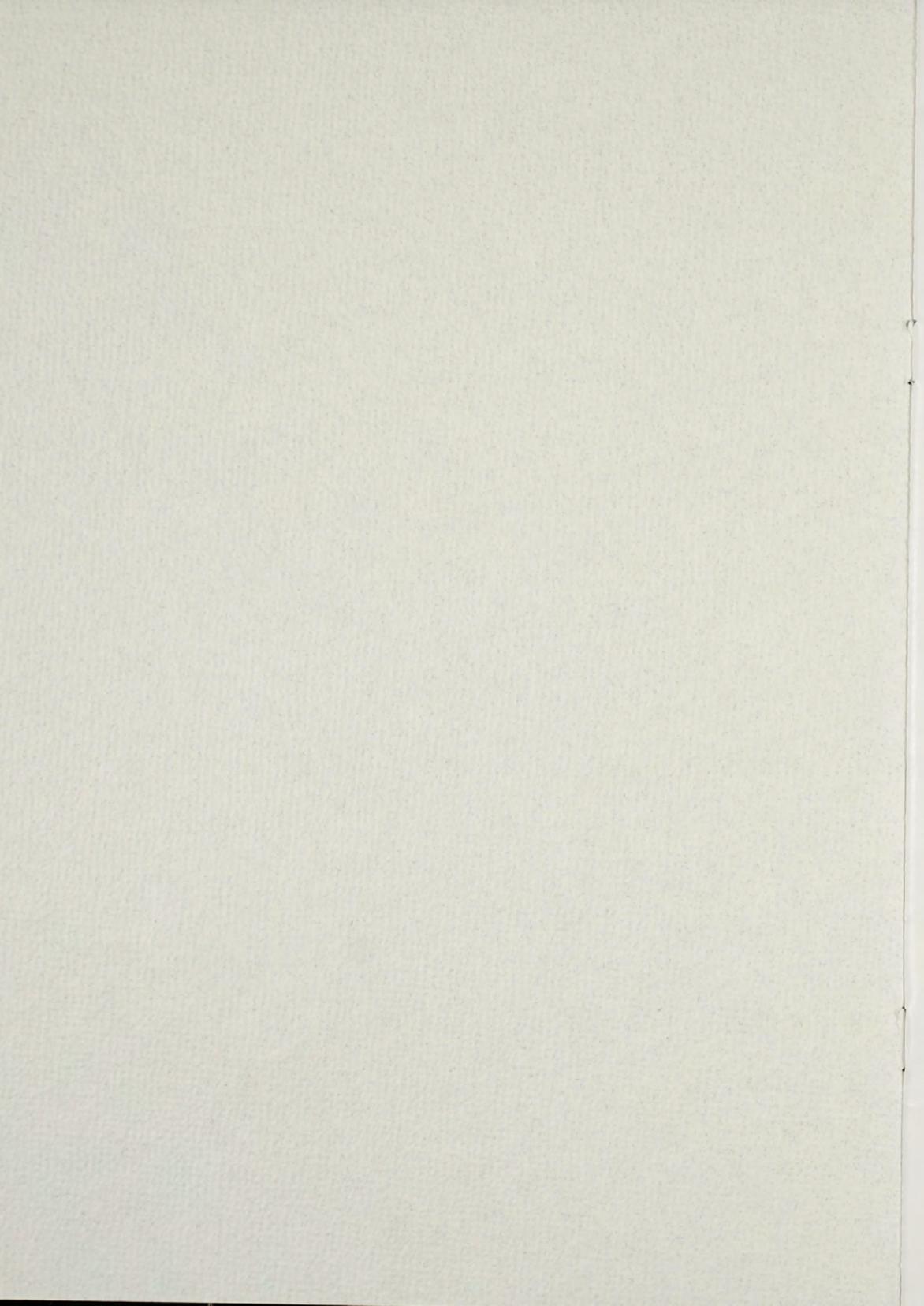


# COMMENCEMENT

SPRING 1998





**COMMENCEMENT**

**SPRING 1998**

Rhode Island College Campus

**SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES**

Thursday, the twenty-first of May

5:30 p.m.

(pages 2-8)

**BACCALAUREATE DEGREES**

Saturday, the twenty-third of May

9:30 a.m.

(pages 9-23)

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES  
SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES  
Thursday, the twenty-first of May

**Processional**

*Grand Processional...*Donald Haddad  
*Flourish for Wind Band...*Ralph Vaughan Williams

**Opening of the Ceremony**

Vivian La Ferla Morgan  
*Chair, Council of Rhode Island College*

**The National Anthem**

**Invocation**

James P. Montavon  
*Chaplain, Rhode Island College*  
*M.S.W. Candidate*

**Greetings**

Michael F. Ryan  
*Board of Governors for Higher Education*

Vincent A. Cianci, Jr.  
*Mayor, City of Providence*

Katherine A. Brewster  
*M.S.W. Candidate*

John Nazarian  
*President of the College*

**Conferring of Honorary Degrees**

Candidates presented by

John J. Salesses

*Vice President for Academic Affairs*

**Address to the Graduates**

Paul Lewis Binder

*Founder and Artistic Director, Big Apple Circus*

**Conferring of Advanced Degrees**

Candidates presented by

James D. Turley

*Dean, School of Graduate Studies*

**Closing of the Ceremony**

*Vivian La Ferla Morgan*

**Recessional**

*A Festival Prelude...Alfred Reed*

**Musical Selections**

The American Band

Eugene Pollart, Director

A reception immediately following the Commencement exercises  
will be held at the Faculty Center, where  
diplomas will be available.

Faculty and graduates of the School of Social Work will  
gather at the Student Union Ballroom.



PAUL LEWIS BINDER

**Doctor of Fine Arts**

Paul Lewis Binder is the founder and artistic director of the Big Apple Circus, a nonprofit traveling performing arts troupe dedicated to keeping alive the old-time circus tradition as an expression of American folk art. Born and raised in Brooklyn, Binder is a 1963 graduate of Dartmouth College and earned an M.B.A. at Columbia University. He began his professional career as stage manager for Julia Child's "The French Chef" on WGBH and later spent several years as a talent scout for Merv Griffin. Venturing to San Francisco, he learned juggling with the San Francisco Mime Troupe. There he met Michael Christensen and together they traveled throughout Europe, earning a living by juggling on street corners and eventually joining Annie Fratellini's legendary Nouveau Cirque de Paris. Binder returned to the United States determined to create an American circus with the same dedication to theatrical excellence and artistic intimacy as he had experienced in Europe. This dream became reality in 1977 when the Big Apple Circus made its debut. The one-ring circus performs under a classic five-story tall Big Top tent, where every one of its 2,000 seats is within 50 feet of the ring. Now celebrating its 20th season, this July the Circus will bring its magic to Ninigret State Park in Charlestown, Rhode Island, one of the regular stops on its annual tour. In addition to reaching audiences of over a half million children and adults each year, the Big Apple Circus has established several ongoing programs to benefit youngsters. These include the Circus Arts in Education program, which provides inner-city youth with arts education through the study of classical circus arts. Its Clown Care Unit sends clown-doctors to the bedsides of over 115,000 hospitalized children each year, spreading cheer and laughter. The Circus for All! program provides complimentary tickets for disadvantaged children and senior citizens, persons who are physically challenged, and children with life-threatening diseases. Some 1,600 children with sight or hearing disabilities are guests of the Big Apple's Circus of the Senses production. Performers from the Big Apple's resident troupe have won numerous international awards; the Circus has been featured in two major motion pictures; and has itself been awarded the prestigious Obie Award for Artistic Excellence. Throughout his career, Paul Binder has striven to incorporate the performing arts with education, a relationship that thrives at Rhode Island College.



B. JAE CLANTON

**Doctor of Public Service**

*(awarded posthumously)*

Bessie Jae Smith Clanton—known to all as B. Jae—a native of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, arrived in Rhode Island in 1957 to accept a position at the John Hope Settlement House as a professional social worker. With a Bachelor of Science degree from West Virginia State College, a Master of Social Work degree from the University of Connecticut, and post-graduate work in supervision and administration at the Boston University School of Social Work, B. Jae dedicated her life to empowering and giving voice to minorities, the poor, and the disenfranchised. With intellect, compassion, and courage, she directly touched the lives of thousands—as a psychiatric social worker and clinical supervisor with the Providence School System; as the first African-American and first woman to serve as executive director of Family Service, Inc., a 100-year old social service agency; and as assistant director of the Department for Children and Their Families upon its establishment in 1980. As challenging as these roles were, in 1985, she was called upon to accept an even greater challenge: executive director of the Urban League of Rhode Island. Clanton infused the then-struggling organization with her indomitable spirit, boundless energy, and clear vision, building the Urban League into what many regard as the state's strongest and most effective advocate for social and economic justice. During her tenure she increased the agency's annual budget from \$500,000 to over \$3 million and its staff from 10 to over 110. Among her long list of successful causes are the establishment of a pediatric oncology unit at Rhode Island Hospital, her advocacy for improved children's counseling services as a member of the Governor's Juvenile Justice Subcommittee for Delinquent Children, the establishment of an adolescent parenting program and workshops designed to discourage teen pregnancy among minorities, and the development of the League's Advocacy and Public Policy Unit. Clanton chaired the Rhode Island Coalition Against Bigotry and served as a trustee of Butler Hospital, Bryant College, Junior Achievement, the Rhode Island Urban Project, the CCRI Foundation, the Rhode Island Foundation, and the Pond Street Baptist Church, where she was a member of the choir. Her work has brought her recognition from numerous civic organizations, including the ACLU Civil Libertarian of the Year Award, the National Association for Community Leadership Distinguished Leadership Award, the Providence 350th Anniversary Community Service Award, and many others. In 1989 she received the David Sweet Leadership Rhode Island Alumni Award, named in honor of the sixth President of Rhode Island College. Clanton retired from the Urban League in 1997 after 12 years as its executive director.

B. Jae Clanton passed away on March 31, 1998. She is survived by her husband, Melvin Clanton, daughter Ann-Allison Clanton, and six sisters and brothers. In a Providence Journal editorial published on April 9, she was lauded as having "... benefited all Rhode Islanders by making the state a fairer and more humane place to live."

## SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES

### Certificate of Advanced Graduate Studies

Procession Marshal: Murray H. Finley

Raymond A. Brigidi, *School Administration*

†Monique J. Bruno, *School Psychology*

†Brian D. Butler, *School Administration*

Paula J. Calitri, *School Psychology*

Kristen L. Carreira, *School Psychology*

Harry T. Cowell, *School Administration*

\*Christine C. Davidson, *School Administration*

Joao A. Dorosario, *School Administration*

†Patricia A. Erickson, *Curriculum*

†Ellen C. Healy, *Counselor Education*

Paul B. Johnson, *School Administration*

Jo-Anne Krikorian, *Counselor Education*

Rose Marie Majeika, *Individualized Program*

David J. Pagliaro, *Counselor Education*

James S. Pinel, *Counselor Education*

Tara D. Reddington, *School Psychology*

Mary G. Silva, *School Psychology*

Charles G. Toupin, *Counselor Education*

Betsy R. Williston, *School Psychology*

### Master of Arts

Procession Marshals: Paul Tiskus,

P. William Hutchinson

†Amy Ahlberg, *Psychology*

Sheree L. Antoch, *Agency Counseling*

Maureen A. Aucoin, *Agency Counseling*

Carl J. Augustinho, *Agency Counseling*

†Constance L. Baker, *Individualized Program*

Kristen R. Bate, *Psychology*

Scott M. Battey, *French*

Kerrie A. Birchell, *Agency Counseling*

Joyce L. Brown, *Agency Counseling*

\*Jeannine M. Brunelle, *Individualized Program*

\*Anthony O. Carlino, *History*

Nancy E. Clegg, *Agency Counseling*

Constance R. Conca, *Agency Counseling*

†Margaret M. Correia, *Educational Psychology*

Patricia Cousineau, *Agency Counseling*

Laurie E. Cronheimer, *Agency Counseling*

Heidi M. Davis, *Individualized Program*

Brian J. DeAndrade, *Agency Counseling*

\*Rosemarie L. DeAngelis, *Art Studio*

James A. Demas, *Agency Counseling*

†Kim J. De Wire, *Educational Psychology*

Stacy Domkowski, *Agency Counseling*

\*Brenda L. Dubois, *Agency Counseling*

Mary M. Ewart, *Agency Counseling*

†Kathleen A. Field, *Educational Psychology*

†Lucie R. Fife, *Educational Psychology*

Vicki L. Gillerin, *Agency Counseling*

\*Bonnie J. Gonsalves, *Agency Counseling*

\*William A. Greene, *Agency Counseling*

\*Thomas J. Hannigan, *Agency Counseling*

\* Katherine R. Hegedus, *Agency Counseling*

\*Robert P. Hofmann, *Individualized Program*

†Andrew C. Inman, *Art Education*

†Debra L. Jean-Laurent, *Agency Counseling*

\*Christopher A. Johnson, *Agency Counseling*

Erin L. Johnson, *Agency Counseling*

†Melissa M. Keegan, *Educational Psychology*

†Elizabeth Kennard, *Agency Counseling*

\*John J. Krupa, *Agency Counseling*

Tracy A. Lachapelle, *Agency Counseling*

Margaret M. Lachut, *Art Studio*

Jennifer A. Landry, *Psychology*

John J. Larkin, *Agency Counseling*

Donna L. Laurie, *Art Studio*

Carol M. Maloney, *English*

\*Alexandra Mannock, *Agency Counseling*

\*Robert L. Marks, *Agency Counseling*

Monica C. Maroon, *Psychology*

Leigh A. Martin, *English*

Patrick E. McLaughlin, *History*

\*Thomas N. Meglio, *Biology*

Mark S. Morin, *English*

Linda M. Pelopida, *Developmental Psychology*

\*James P. Pereira, *Agency Counseling*

Diana R. Petrosinelli, *English*

\*Theodore K. Pitt, *Agency Counseling*

Hilda L. Poppe, *English*

†Rebecca A. Porter, *Psychology*

Keri A. Rajotte, *English*

\*Charlotte Reall, *Agency Counseling*

Molly A. Reidy, *Psychology*

\*Kevin Richard, *Agency Counseling*

†Jacqueline M. Rita, *Agency Counseling*

†Elisa D. Robley, *Agency Counseling*

Janet Rossi, *Individualized Program*

†David Schiappa, *Agency Counseling*

†Edwin K. Schober, Jr., *Agency Counseling*

†Larry M. Simon, *Agency Counseling*

†Stacey A. Sunderland, *Educational Psychology*

Julie A. Taylor, *Agency Counseling*

Colleen A. Thompson, *Agency Counseling*

James W. Vickers, *English*

\*Robert A. Walker, *Agency Counseling*

Karen L. Welch, *Agency Counseling*

†Robert D. Wilcox, *Agency Counseling*

\*Joy A. Williams, *Agency Counseling*

### Master of Fine Arts

Lance R. Axt, *Theatre*

Vanessa J. Goldman, *Theatre*

Cassandra L. Han, *Theatre*

Jeff A. Miller, *Theatre*

Judith A. Molner, *Theatre*

Elizabeth A. Quincy, *Theatre*

Eric C. Tucker, *Theatre*

Jennifer Mudge Tucker, *Theatre*

Deeann Weir, *Theatre*

### Master of Arts in Teaching

Procession Marshal: Patricia A. Cordeiro

Pamela M. Azar, *History*

Hally W. Azevedo, *Elementary Education*

Susan M. Boucher, *Elementary Education*

Janet M. Cambio, *Elementary Education*

†Sara R. Cappelli, *Art Education*

\*Peter A. Cappuccilli, *Elementary Education*

\*Jenny Chan-Remka, *Elementary Education*

Mary C. Connor, *Elementary Education*

Maria M. Dante, *Art Education*

Kimberly J. Delillo, *Elementary Education*

\*Krislyn M. Donadio, *Elementary Education*

\*Giovanna M. Donoyan, *Elementary Education*

\*Kimberly A. Doyle, *Elementary Education*

Elizabeth Federman, *English*

Wendy S. Feldman, *Art Education*

\*Karen R. Fletcher, *General Science*

\*Susan M. Flynn, *Elementary Education*

\*Deborah A. Gallucci, *Elementary Education*

Mark C. Garcia, *History*

\*Leo A. Gauthier, *Elementary Education*

Nancy A. Gorham, *Art Education*

- Elizabeth A. Harris, *Elementary Education*  
 Cori L. Healey, *Elementary Education*  
 \*Jeffrey S. Howell, *English*  
 Clement O. Ilori, *Elementary Education*  
 \*Cynthia S. Jones, *Elementary Education*  
 Richard A. Lee, *Biology*  
 \*Paul M. Lombardi, *Elementary Education*  
 William P. Mahoney, *Elementary Education*  
 Shawn M. Martin, *Elementary Education*  
 Kristen J. Matoney, *Elementary Education*  
 Wendy A. McPeak, *Elementary Education*  
 Heather E. Miller, *Elementary Education*  
 \*Marcia L. Montecalvo, *Elementary Education*  
 \*Michael L. Morin, *Elementary Education*  
 \*Robert T. Muir, *Elementary Education*  
 Kerry L. Murphy, *Art Education*  
 Elizabeth M. Noren, *English*  
 Kathryn O'Keefe, *History*  
 \*Deborah A. Onanian, *Elementary Education*  
 †Maureen Partridge, *Elementary Education*  
 \*Michelle M. Pezzulli, *English*  
 \*Joanne M. Phillips, *Biology*  
 Melissa L. Poyet, *Art Education*  
 Joyce M. Prew, *Elementary Education*  
 \*Phalin K. Rasombath, *Elementary Education*  
 Allison M. Rego, *English*  
 \*Carolyn B. Schatz, *Elementary Education*  
 \*Tami L. Statkiewicz, *Elementary Education*  
 Julie J. Talbutt, *Elementary Education*  
 \*Lori A. Terino, *Elementary Education*  
 \*Hope D. Vansciver, *Elementary Education*  
 Kimberly Walsh, *Elementary Education*  
 Ashley W. Weeks, *Elementary Education*  
 April L. Whipple, *Elementary Education*  
 Renee D. Wilbour, *Elementary Education*  
 \*Lisa M. Wyman, *Elementary Education*
- Master of Education**
- Procession Marshal: Nancy S. Sullivan  
 David V. Abbott, *Individualized Program*  
 \*Dayna M. Achilli, *Elementary Education*  
 Battal Al-Subaie, *English as a Second Language*  
 †Janice E. Alienello, *Elementary Education*  
 †Diane M. Andrews, *Elementary Education*  
 Eric M. Armour, *Secondary Education*
- Philip J. Banigan, *Reading*  
 \*Deborah A. Barbosa, *Special Education*  
 Laurie E. Beauvais, *School Administration*  
 \*Karen N. Berard, *Elementary Education*  
 Eric D. Berger, *Special Education*  
 Suzette M. Blais, *Special Education*  
 Sylvia C. Blanda, *School Administration*  
 †Denise T. Bourdon, *Reading*  
 Deborah R. Briggs, *Special Education*  
 †Michael J. Calabro, *Special Education*  
 Edwin P. Calouro, *Special Education*  
 †Kathleen C. Campopiano, *Counselor Education*  
 †Patricia O'Brien Capobianco, *English as a Second Language*  
 \*Luis H. Carcamo, *Bilingual-Bicultural Education*  
 Donna A. Carlson, *Health Education*  
 Robyn E. Carosi, *Reading*  
 Nancy C. Carrion, *Secondary Education*  
 Lisa M. Carvalho, *Special Education*  
 Kathleen C. Chadwick, *School Administration*  
 \*Esther G. Chester, *Individualized Program*  
 †Kim J. Christie, *Elementary Education*  
 Cheryl A. Conklin, *Special Education*  
 †Catherine Cormier, *Special Education*  
 †Linda Dandrow, *Health Education*  
 Margaret M. Defelice, *Special Education*  
 †Joanne M. Desimone, *English as a Second Language*  
 Victoria L. Difolco, *Reading*  
 Joseph A. Dimartino, *Individualized Program*  
 Edna Dunn, *School Administration*  
 †Janet C. Durfee, *Elementary Education*  
 \*Mary-Ann Duval, *Elementary Education*  
 †Michael P. Farrelly, *Special Education*  
 Lee A. Fazio, *Special Education*  
 Melinda A. Foley-Marsello, *Reading*  
 Leslie B. Gibbons, *Reading*  
 Sandra A. Gorman, *Special Education*  
 Jody Graziano, *Special Education*  
 Mary Anne Hanley, *School Administration*  
 Bernadette A. Hawkins, *Reading*  
 Susan A. Heist, *Special Education*  
 †Frederick W. Hoppe Jr., *Special Education*  
 Erick M. Irizarry, *Individualized Program*  
 Valerie J. Jacavone, *Health Education*  
 Joan Johnston, *Counselor Education*  
 Stephanie E. Kardel, *Reading*  
 Erin E. Kavanaugh, *Technology Education*
- †Phyllis V. Keenan, *Elementary Education*  
 Sally K. Kouvo-Smith, *Reading*  
 Jennifer L. Labrecque, *Reading*  
 Patricia A. LaPierre, *Special Education*  
 \*Stacy S. Larson, *Elementary Education*  
 \*Kimberly J. Lebejko, *Special Education*  
 Mary-Jeann Leeman, *English as a Second Language*  
 Suzanne G. Lewis, *English as a Second Language*  
 \*Debra A. Lyons, *Reading*  
 †Carmelina Macera, *English as a Second Language*  
 †Beth Machado, *Reading*  
 †Margaret A. Maguire, *Health Education*  
 Kristen A. Marshall, *Reading*  
 Laurie A. McElwain, *Elementary Education*  
 Diana McPherson, *Health Education*  
 \*Cheryl A. McWilliams, *Elementary Education*  
 †Emily G. Mooney, *Health Education*  
 Denise J. Morell, *Health Education*  
 †Jeanne P. Mullaney, *English as a Second Language*  
 Rebecca M. Mulligan, *Elementary Education*  
 Carolyn J. Murphy, *School Administration*  
 Yuko Nakagawa, *English as a Second Language*  
 Kenneth Nardozza, *Special Education*  
 Robert Nye, *Special Education*  
 †Judith E. O'Keefe, *Elementary Education*  
 \*Michael L. Orticerio, *Reading*  
 Taeok R. Park, *English as a Second Language*  
 Jane M. Pasqual, *Special Education*  
 Lin Patty, *School Administration*  
 Leslie M. Perrin, *Reading*  
 \*Marita A. Phillips, *Elementary Education*  
 \*Joan E. Piccardi, *Elementary Education*  
 Robert Prignano, *Bilingual-Bicultural Education*  
 Kimberly L. Ramos, *English as a Second Language*  
 †Fran B. Rittner, *Health Education*  
 \*Candace E. Roberts, *Special Education*  
 \*Alison M. Robey, *Special Education*  
 Dana P. Rockwell, *Special Education*  
 Michele M. Ruggieri, *Elementary Education*  
 Diann L. Scheib, *Special Education*  
 †Vivian L. Seemueller, *Counselor Education*  
 \*Diane C. Seltzer, *Special Education*  
 Joyce M. Seravo, *Special Education*

|   |  |                        |
|---|--|------------------------|
| †Amilcar M. Silva, <i>Bilingual-Bicultural Education</i>  | Kevin A. Leblanc, <i>Industrial Technology</i>         | Sharon Lacroix         |
| Dana M. Silva, <i>Reading</i>                             | Stephen J. Rines, <i>Industrial Technology</i>         | Jeffrey A. La Flash    |
| *Cheril M. Smith, <i>Special Education</i>                | Jane L. Shaw, <i>Individualized Program</i>            | Maria C. Lopez         |
| †Elizabeth O. Stern, <i>Counselor Education</i>           | David L. Zisman, <i>Industrial Technology</i>          | Anna M. Love           |
| Joan D. Strickland, <i>Health Education</i>               |  | Cynthia M. Lover       |
| *Maureen N. Sullivan, <i>English as a Second Language</i> | <b>Master of Social Work</b>                           | Laurie J. Lovgren      |
| Rene Takahashi, <i>English as a Second Language</i>       | <i>Procession Marshal: E. Belle Evans</i>              | Alexis Malcolm         |
| Ramon D. Torres, <i>Bilingual-Bicultural Education</i>    | Diane C. Adel  | Beth A. Mancini        |
| †Angela M. Toscano, <i>Special Education</i>              | Paula M. Agins   | Rosemary E. McGwin     |
| *Sha-Li Tsai, <i>English as a Second Language</i>         | Jeanne W. Bissonnette                                  | Mary P. McLaughlin     |
| Janice L. Tucker, <i>Health Education</i>                 | Laina L. Braasch                                       | Jennifer A. Meade      |
| *Susan C. Turner, <i>Special Education</i>                | Katherine A. Brewster                                  | Jodi L. Merryman       |
| †Arlene T. Vacchelli, <i>Special Education</i>            | Michael S. Burk  | Mary R. Minard         |
| †Patricia Valkoun, <i>Health Education</i>                | Rebecca E. Burnaska                                    | Laura J. Mocarsky      |
| Maria C. Van Anglen, <i>School Administration</i>         | Maryann G. Campagna                                    | Nicole Mollica         |
| *Rodolfo A. Vargas, <i>Bilingual-Bicultural Education</i> | William S. Carey                                       | James P. Montavon      |
| †Elaine F. Villari, <i>English as a Second Language</i>   | Melissa M. Caron                                       | Pamela A. Morris       |
| †Jean C. Warner, <i>Health Education</i>                  | Kelli A. Cataldi                                       | Andrea E. Nadra        |
| Michaela L. Wells, <i>Special Education</i>               | Thomas E. Cayer  | Kevin V. Nicastro      |
| †Debra A. Wigand, <i>Health Education</i>                 | Susan T. Charlwood                                     | Karen Ostrowsky        |
| Herbert Williams, <i>Health Education</i>                 | Christine Currier                                      | Karen L. Peters-Bowden |
| *Jacquelyn Wnek, <i>Elementary Education</i>              | Barbara A. Debiasio-Pullan                             | Margaret Plunkett      |
| Beth A. Zins, <i>Elementary Education</i>                 | Tamara J. Diaz   | Rena Quaranta          |
| <b>Master of Music Education</b>                          | Loren A. Esposito                                      | Sheryl L. Reedy        |
| †Lynn B. Benetti  | Richmond B. Flowers                                    | Rosemary Reis          |
| †Linda A. Morgenstern                                     | Teresa S. Foley  | Telisa M. Richardson   |
| †Karen E. Roderick  | Kristen R. Francisco                                   | Alice S. Robson        |
| <b>Master of Science</b>                                  | Tania M. Garcia<br><i>Gladys Coreva-Baker Scholar</i>  | Tracey L. Rollins      |
| Ann Marie Bradley, <i>Individualized Program</i>          | Susan K. Garland                                       | Ignatius A. Samuel     |
| *Daniel C. Casale, <i>Industrial Technology</i>           | Judith E. Gelb   | Mary M. Sheehan        |
| Mary E. Crowley, <i>Individualized Program</i>            | Rachel H. Gervais                                      | Susan J. Sherck        |
| Aihua Dai, <i>Industrial Technology</i>                   | Joyce Girardi  | John J. Short          |
| Gerald L. Faella, <i>Industrial Technology</i>            | Karen E. Glick   | C. Kelly Smith         |
| Amanda S. Goldstein, <i>Individualized Program</i>        | Hugo A. Gonzalez<br><i>Gladys Coreva-Baker Scholar</i> | Sylvia Smith           |
|   | Mary E. Green<br><i>Juanita Handy Scholar</i>          | Rosemary Soave         |
|   | Mary E. Healy  | Joanne R. Spencer      |
|   | Janet K. Hindley                                       | Barbara A. Sylvia      |
|   | Brenda E. Jones  | Georgette A. Taylor    |
|   | Meredith E. Jones                                      | Kristine J. Toic       |
|   | Thong Khang  | Dongting Zhan          |

SPRING 1998

BACCALAUREATE DEGREES

CLASS OF 1998

Maria E. Cimini, *President*  
Ryan J. Bridgham, *Vice President*  
Connie A. West, *Secretary*  
Brendan K. Larkin, *Treasurer*

HONOR CORDS

Undergraduates who are receiving their degrees today with Latin honors have the privilege of wearing special "honor cords."

The color of the cord indicates the

level of the honor as follows:

Summa cum laude...gold  
Magna cum laude...burgundy  
Cum laude...white

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES  
BACCALAUREATE DEGREES

Saturday, the twenty-third of May

**Processional**

*Festival Prelude...* Alfred Reed

*Flourish for Wind Band...* Ralph Vaughan Williams

*Pomp and Circumstance No. 1...* Edward Elgar

**Opening of the Ceremony**

Vivian La Ferla Morgan

*Chair, Council of Rhode Island College*

**The National Anthem**

Donald A. Ringuette, Jr.

*Bachelor of Music Candidate*

**Invocation**

Larry A. Nichols

*Chaplain, Rhode Island College*

**Greetings**

Lincoln C. Almond

*Governor of the State of Rhode Island*

*and Providence Plantations*

George Graboys

*Chair, Board of Governors for Higher Education*

John Nazarian

*President of the College*

**Golden Anniversary Gift**

E. Virginia Downey O'Connor

Beth Dowling Whaley

*Class of 1948*

**Conferring of Honorary Degrees**

Candidates presented by

John J. Saleses

*Vice President for Academic Affairs*

**Address to the Graduates**

Spalding Gray

*Master Storyteller and Actor*

### Farewell Remarks

Maria E. Cimini

President,

Class of 1998

✓ → "If I Can Help Somebody"

*Composed by A.B. Androzzo*

↖ ↘ Performed by Michael N. Browner, Jr.

B.A. Candidate, Secondary Education

### Conferring of Baccalaureate Degrees

Candidates presented by

David E. Nelson

*Dean, Feinstein School of Education and Human Development*

George D. Metrey

*Dean, School of Social Work*

Nazanin Sahba

*Interim Director, Center for Management and Technology*

Richard R. Weiner

*Dean, Faculty of Arts and Sciences*

### Welcome into the Alumni Association

Lucia Napoli Amado '92

*Vice President, Rhode Island College Alumni Association*

### Closing of the Ceremony

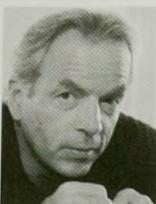
Vivian La Ferla Morgan

### Alma Mater

### Recessional

*Allegro...Antonio Vivaldi*

A reception immediately following the Commencement exercises  
will be held at the Fred J. Donovan Dining Center, where  
diplomas will be available on the mezzanine.



SPALDING GRAY

**Doctor of Humane Letters**

A Rhode Island native, Spalding Gray is considered one of the foremost monologists of the 20th century. His theatrical monologues, in which he shares his frequently anguished, often humorous, and always profound musings, combine elements of storytelling, autobiography, stand-up comedy, therapy, and a trained actor's improvisations. In his own words, "I do not write any of my monologues in the formal sense. I begin all of them with a simple outline of events collected from my life. Then, guided by my outline, I tell you my story. It's as though I am describing the images of an internal film. My monologues are never rehearsed or spoken before I tell them to you. The process is a kind of oral composition or quite simply, storytelling." Gray has composed and performed fourteen monologues. His most recent is entitled *It's a Slippery Slope*, which is ostensibly the autobiographical tale of a man who learns to ski late in life, but that in reality is a metaphor for a man in the grip of a mid-life crisis. Three of his best known works have been filmed: *Gray's Anatomy*, an account of his trials and tribulations in dealing with a rare vision problem; *Monster in a Box*, a tale of Gray's attempts to come to terms with his mother's suicide, his attempts to pull his overdue novel together (finally published in 1992 as *Impossible Vacation*), and a visit to war-torn Nicaragua; and the Obie Award-winning *Swimming to Cambodia*, inspired by Gray's experience acting in the Academy award-winning film, *The Killing Fields*. As an actor, Gray has performed in 29 theatrical films and another four made for television. His numerous stage credits, performed both on and Off-Broadway, include the revival of Thornton Wilder's *Our Town* and the New York premiere of Sam Shepard's *Tooth of Crime*. Gray also wrote and performed the autobiographical trilogy, *Three Places in Rhode Island*. Described as "a self-effacing wit" and "such a master story-teller that even the simplest tales take on a humor and importance that might otherwise go undetected," Gray revels in the absurdities of life which he finds all around him. His wry, mournful, anguished adventures have been described as "neurotic picaresque... unique in their rueful blend of curiosity, self-mockery and panic." Gray received a B.A. from Emerson College in 1965.



ARMAND M. LAMONTAGNE

**Doctor of Fine Arts**

Working from his studio in North Scituate, Rhode Island, Armand M. LaMontagne is one of the state's most celebrated living artists. He has received international acclaim as a virtuoso in the medium of wood sculpture. His talent is so great and his eye for detail so exact that once, as a young sculptor, he constructed a fake Great Brewster Chair that passed muster with leading antique experts—just to prove a point. LaMontagne is best known for his portrait sculptures of sports and historical figures. Some of his more notable subjects have included General George Patton, Eleanor Roosevelt, President Gerald Ford, and sports legends Larry Bird, Carl Yastrzemski, and Bobby Orr. His sculptures of Ted Williams and Babe Ruth, which stand inside the entrance to the Baseball Hall of Fame, are the most photographed items in Cooperstown. Saul Wisnia, in an article written for the January 22, 1996 edition of *Sports Illustrated*, wrote: "With hair, clothes, and shoes all carved from single 1,800 to 2,500-pound blocks of basswood, LaMontagne's works often leave viewers staring in disbelief at what appears to be real skin, wool, and leather. Sometimes amazement gives way to emotion; upon seeing his statue in 1985, the notoriously rough-edged Ted Williams broke down and cried. "Armand captures a spark of personality in his work, which nobody else seems able to do in wood sculpture," says Roger Schroeder, who has written nine books on the subject. "Others attempt it and come up with something impressionistic or caricature-like, but he makes subjects come alive. He's pushing wood to its limits." The grandson of an architect and son of a construction-site superintendent, LaMontagne, 59, puts six months of 80-hour weeks into each work. LaMontagne is lesser known but equally adept as a painter; his style in this medium incorporates the same keen eye for detail and realism that is found in his sculptures. His works include the official portraits of a number of Rhode Island leaders, including a strikingly lifelike rendering of Governor J. Joseph Garrahy (1977–1985) that is on permanent display in the State House. One of his latest projects is a wooden statue of Roger Williams destined for Roger Williams University. LaMontagne, who has contributed a number of his works to benefit programs at Rhode Island College, has been named as a 1998 inductee of the Rhode Island Heritage Hall of Fame.

FEINSTEIN SCHOOL OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

*Procession Marshal: William J. Oehlkers*

**Bachelor of Arts**

- Anna Maria Abrams  
\*Julie A. Amaral  
\*Julie R. Ancone  
\*Dulce C. Arig  
Salvatore Asciolla II  
*(awarded posthumously)*  
Lori A. Barkett  
\*James J. Betres  
*magna cum laude*  
Donna M. Biondi  
*cum laude*  
Christina L. Blanchard  
*magna cum laude*  
\*Pamela A. Blanco  
*summa cum laude*  
Nicholas M. Bousquet  
*magna cum laude*  
Christina A. Branco  
*magna cum laude*  
Ryan J. Bridgeman  
*cum laude*  
Kristen L. Brown  
*magna cum laude*  
*General Education Honors*  
Vernon Brown, Jr.  
*Rose Butler Browne Award*  
*Katherine Murray Prize*  
Michael Nelson Browner, Jr.  
Timothy J. Cahalan  
*magna cum laude*  
Brian Cardoso  
Steven A. Casavant, Jr.  
Susan M. Cedeno  
Donn S. Chu  
\*Alicia K. Conti  
Erin C. Costigan  
*cum laude*  
*Educational Studies Senior Award*  
Candace N. Cunningham  
William H. Delmonico  
*summa cum laude*  
†Paul A. D'Ercole  
*cum laude*  
Nancy Y. Diaz  
\*Elaine M. Dickervitz  
Robyn M. Doiron  
Kevin M. Donovan  
\*Joseph M. Dunay  
Christina L. Economopoulos  
\*Roger J. Forand  
*cum laude*  
Holley C. Freeman  
Ana P. Freitas  
*cum laude*  
*General Education Honors*

\*Stephen G. Gallo

- \*Vilma E. Gaspar  
\*Ruth E. Gil  
*magna cum laude*  
\*Darilyn A. Gorton  
*cum laude*

Sean M. Grady  
†Christopher J. Greene

George R. Grimes  
\*Karen S. Guerin  
*summa cum laude*

\*Shannon L. Hajjar  
*cum laude*

Heidi J. Handrigan  
Lisa M. Harubens  
*cum laude*

Sheila E. Harvey  
Lynn M. Healey  
*magna cum laude*

\*Margaret M. Horstmann  
*summa cum laude*

Rachel J. Kodos  
*cum laude*

\*Michael J. Kozusko  
\*Erin L. Kulaga

\*Kimberly L. Larocque  
†Jennifer A. Ledo

Sindy C. Lewis  
Marcia L. Lisker  
*magna cum laude*

\*Jennifer M. Lo Bianco  
†Ben H. Lukowicz  
*magna cum laude*

\*Mark A. Manzo

\*Erica L. Marcello

\*Amy E. Martini  
Michael P. Martins  
*cum laude*

Hollie M. Masso  
*cum laude*

\*Amy L. McClurg  
*magna cum laude*

Dona J. McMillan  
*cum laude*

\*Judith A. McNulty  
*magna cum laude*  
*James Houston Award (Geography)*

\*Edward R. Medeiros

\*Keri L. Miale  
Heather L. Mitchell  
*summa cum laude*  
*General Education Honors*

William P. Monigan  
*cum laude*

\*Jessika L. Moura

Robert L. Mullen  
*cum laude*

Melissa M. Murano  
*cum laude*

\*Renee M. Newsham  
*cum laude*

Jennifer L. Nunes  
Nanette Nunez

Lynn A. O'Malley  
*cum laude*

Carla J. Orlando  
*cum laude*

\*Nicole L. Ottaviano

\*Christina M. Paesano  
*cum laude*

\*Gabriel J. Parquette  
*cum laude*  
*General Education Honors*

Sandra M. Pluchino

\*Nancy R. Raftery

Lisa Ramzi

Amy R. Ricci  
*cum laude*  
*Nelson A. Guertin Memorial Award*  
*(Spanish)*

\*Jennifer A. Ricci

Michael S. Richardson

Sandra A. Rupacz

\*Christine M. Salem

Peter J. San Giovanni

Isabel M. Santos

Elizabeth A. Shea

†Janice S. Sims

Michael C. Skodras

Stacy A. Smith

Lester M. Stasey  
*magna cum laude*

Mark E. Tavares

†Jayaboa Thangkeo

†Wendy J. Thomas

†Maria A. Vican

†Nancy M. Ware

Shana M. Willis

**Bachelor of Science**

\*Maureen N. Abbott  
*cum laude*

\*Diane Aguiar

Rose M. Aleardi

Stephanie L. Alfano  
*magna cum laude*

\*Shelly A. Allard  
*Elisa F. Bonaventura Award*

- \*Michael J. Almeida  
*magna cum laude*  
*Health and Physical Education Faculty Senior Award*
- Sandy A. Amaral  
*cum laude*
- Darlene M. Angell  
*cum laude*
- John R. Arrigo, Jr.
- Natasha J. Axelson  
*summa cum laude*
- Monica C. Ayotte  
*cum laude*
- Nina M. Bachini
- John Baldaia  
*cum laude*  
*Cantor Jacob Hohenemser Award*
- \*Melissa L. Barrette  
*cum laude*
- Allison J. Baxter
- †Richard H. Beauregard
- \*Sharon P. Beausoleil  
*magna cum laude*
- \*Rebecca J. Berard  
*cum laude*
- Sherri-Ann Boisvert
- \*Cheryl L. Bombard
- Jennifer A. Boudreault
- Mylissa A. Bourne
- \*Kristin A. Bovi  
*cum laude*
- †Stephen J. Brady  
*cum laude*
- \*Erica L. Bulk
- \*Jessica A. Burley
- Rebecca A. Burns  
*cum laude*
- Alexander M. Butler  
*cum laude*  
*John E. Hetherman Award*
- \*Rose M. Cacchiotti  
*magna cum laude*
- \*Daniel D. Calabro
- \*Cheryl L. Campion
- \*Caren C. Campopiano  
 Michelle A. Canavan
- \*Joseph M. Cappuccilli
- \*Karen J. Cardoza  
*summa cum laude*
- Nicole J. Centazzo  
*cum laude*
- \*Nicole R. Chamalian
- William J. Chiaradio  
*cum laude*
- \*Doreen Coleman  
*cum laude*
- Julie M. Conca  
*cum laude*
- Richard A. Conti  
*magna cum laude*
- Colleen M. Converse
- \*Diana M. Conway
- \*Kevin C. Conway
- Melaney Cordeiro  
*cum laude*
- \*Kelly A. Cote  
*magna cum laude*
- Richard F. Cote, Jr.  
*magna cum laude*
- Denise Couto
- Jennifer L. Crapulli
- Julie A. Davis  
*cum laude*
- Margaret M. DeAngelis  
*summa cum laude*  
*Elementary Education Faculty Award Josephine A. Stilling Award*
- \*Paula M. DeCastro
- Alicia J. Del Signore  
*magna cum laude*
- \*Deana L. Desjarlais  
*summa cum laude*
- Brian Dillon  
*cum laude*  
*General Education Honors*
- \*Jessica A. Di Lucia
- \*Mary A. Di Palma
- Tracy A. Dipetrallo
- Kristen L. Dolce  
*cum laude*
- Tammy L. Drape
- \*Renee L. Dupre  
*cum laude*
- Michaela M. Dwyer  
*magna cum laude*
- Carol Dzialo  
*summa cum laude*
- Sharon A. Eagleson  
*cum laude*
- \*Kelly J. Farrell  
*cum laude*
- \*Carmela M. Fellela  
*magna cum laude*
- Laurie-Anne Ferland  
*magna cum laude*
- Amy E. Field
- \*Amy A. Fitzpatrick
- \*Mardy J. Flanagan  
*summa cum laude*
- \*Gina M. Floriani  
*magna cum laude*
- Lori A. Fogarty  
*cum laude*
- \*Jill L. Galligan  
*cum laude*
- Kelly A. Gavigan
- \*Terry A. Gordon  
*cum laude*
- Alison R. Gray  
*cum laude*
- \*William Guadagni
- Karen A. Guilmette  
*magna cum laude*
- Kirk P. Hamel
- Christine T. Hands
- \*David L. Hanson
- \*Amy S. Harty  
*cum laude*
- Jennifer L. Hastings
- \*Suzanne C. Hermiz
- †James F. Holbrook  
*magna cum laude*
- †Christine M. Horan  
*General Education Honors*
- \*Jennifer A. Howard
- Maria G. Ieni
- Mary E. Jackson
- \*Philippe J. Jacques  
*cum laude*
- Megan A. Jennings
- \*Ruth E. Kilby  
*magna cum laude*
- James J. Kiley, Jr.
- \*Rebecca King  
*General Education Honors*
- \*Mary K. Kirkwood  
*Yetta Rauch Melcer Dance Award*
- Freeman B. Knowlton  
*cum laude*
- \*Katarzyna Kolodziejczak  
*cum laude*
- †Louise A. Krueger  
*cum laude*
- †Xoua Kue
- Melissa J. Labbe  
*cum laude*
- Tracy L. Lafreniere  
*magna cum laude*  
*General Education Honors*
- Greta M. Lalli
- Julie A. Lamarre  
*cum laude*
- \*Tammy M. Lamberto
- Kelly A. Lange  
*Helen M. Murphy Award*
- \*Naomi R. La Roche  
*cum laude*
- Marsha I. Ledoux  
*cum laude*  
*Alice K. Pellegrino Music Education Award*
- Michele M. Lepre  
*cum laude*
- \*Carin R. Letourneau
- \*Aimee C. Longo
- Melissa MacNeill
- \*Brenda Maguire  
*cum laude*
- Joy K. Maimoni
- \*Rita N. Malone

- \*Connie A. Manzi  
*magna cum laude*
- †Kristen J. Manzi  
*cum laude*
- \*Wendy K. Markham  
*summa cum laude*
- †Dawn M. Martone  
Tracey A. Mattos
- \*Gina M. Medeiros  
*cum laude*
- Robin M. Melillo
- \*Suzanne L. Mendonca  
*cum laude*
- Linda J. Middleton  
*cum laude*
- Jennifer L. Mills
- Michelle R. Milot
- †Kathy M. Miranda
- \*Jennifer A. Misenor
- \*Eileen Montalto  
*summa cum laude*
- Nikki D. Mooradian
- \*Kerri A. Mooy
- Christine M. Morais  
*magna cum laude*
- Robert R. Moran
- \*Robert F. Morin
- Bridget L. Morisseau  
*summa cum laude*  
*Josephine A. Stillings Award*
- \*Tricia Motta
- \*Mary G. Murphy
- James B. Naughton  
*magna cum laude*
- Heather L. Neil
- Jennifer Nelson  
*cum laude*
- \*Michael F. Nenna
- Melanie Nobles
- Heather J. Nolan
- Sandra L. Novak  
*cum laude*
- \*Heather E. Osborne  
*cum laude*
- \*Jeanne M. Ouellette
- \*Christine A. Palmaccio
- Lorraine M. Papa  
*magna cum laude*
- Ana P. Parenteau
- \*Lisa M. Passante
- †Richard B. Patch
- Karen A. Patterson  
*summa cum laude*
- \*Laurie A. Payne  
*cum laude*
- \*Michelle K. Pendleton  
*magna cum laude*
- \*Michelle M. Perry
- \*Lara Pitocchi  
*magna cum laude*
- \*Lauren E. Plante
- \*Dara Pond
- \*Kerry A. Pontes
- \*Kelly C. Potvin  
*cum laude*
- Kathleen A. Provost  
*summa cum laude*
- \*Jeffrey P. Ragosta  
*cum laude*
- Jeanne C. Raimondi  
*cum laude*
- Holliane Read
- Melissa D. Rhynard  
*cum laude*
- \*Brenda E. Robertson
- Jeanne M. Rocha
- \*Donna Rodriguez
- \*Dawn M. Romans  
*summa cum laude*  
*Health and Physical Education Faculty Senior Award*
- Frank C. Russell
- Jennifer L. Ryan  
*cum laude*
- Isabel M. Santos
- Heather M. Saunders
- \*Kerri L. Savasta
- Dacia L. Scarpellino
- \*Tara A. Seltsam
- \*Lisa Marie Sheridan
- Edwin R. Sherman
- Jennifer A. Silva  
*cum laude*
- \*Melissa M. Silva
- Susan D. Silvia
- Karen R. Skerry  
*cum laude*
- Christopher R. Skurka
- \*Celeste M. Snell  
*summa cum laude*
- \*Melissa D. Spatcher
- Leanne R. Spinelli  
*summa cum laude*
- Pamela J. Stephenson  
*magna cum laude*
- Holly A. Stowik
- \*Jessica P. Sullivan
- Lisa M. Tammelleo  
*cum laude*
- Stephanie L. Tariela  
*cum laude*
- \*Virgilio N. Tavares
- \*William M. Tenaglia
- \*Derek P. Thayer
- \*Victoria R. Thienel
- \*Lynn M. Tocco
- \*Kerry L. Walker  
*cum laude*
- Maureen E. Walusiak
- Robert J. Ward, Jr.  
*cum laude*
- Heather M. Watson  
*magna cum laude*
- \*Kathleen S. Wicklund
- \*Wendy L. Williams  
*summa cum laude*
- Melinda A. Witt
- \*Alba R. Zapata
- †Michael J. Zielski

SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK  
Procession Marshal: S. Scott Mueller

**Bachelor of Social Work**

Susan R. Aguiar  
†Yanaiza Alvarez  
Melissa E. Alves  
Gladys Betancur  
Scott J. Brum  
*summa cum laude*  
Erica A. Buchignani  
Patricia M. Buonomano  
Jennifer L. Congdon  
Stacie L. Connors  
Mary J. D'Alessio  
†Michael K. Del Rosso  
Dawn M. Dilorenzo  
†Debra L. Doyle  
★Damien P. Edsall  
★Denise A. Edwards  
Pauline L. Feldhus  
†Sherri-Ann Fernandes  
Diana M. Giard  
*magna cum laude*  
Dayna E. Hansen  
†Dona M. Harrower  
Kathleen S. Hollis  
*magna cum laude*

Barbara A. Iamarone  
Donald G. Jacques  
*summa cum laude*  
*Bachelor of Social Work Community Service Award*  
Andon P. Joseph  
★Florence V. Lupo  
Marybeth Lynch  
†Amanda C. Manforte  
†Lorie M. Martin  
Mary-Ann McKenna  
Sandy Melo  
Kimberly A. Merolla-Brito  
Jane G. O'Farrell  
*summa cum laude*  
Judy Paiva  
Gian-Chris Paris  
Jessica L. Peipock  
*magna cum laude*  
★Christine M. Puccia  
†Diane J. Quinn  
Gail M. Reynolds  
*cum laude*  
Melissa A. Rose  
*magna cum laude*  
Susan Rose-Watts  
Anthony E. Ricci Social Work Practice Award  
Rita L. Samos  
Heather M. Santilli  
Jennifer Santos  
Susana Santos  
*cum laude*  
Jennifer L. Schanck-Bolwell  
Cheryl A. Shirinian  
†Jennifer Silva  
*cum laude*  
★Patricia A. Spaziano  
*magna cum laude*  
†Jessica L. Tellier  
*magna cum laude*  
†Jennifer A. Thornton  
Terrence M. Tully  
Jodi L. Vannieuwenhuyze  
*cum laude*  
Victoria E. Waisome  
Christopher A. Wallick  
Amy C. Waluk  
*cum laude*  
Carla R. Whipple  
Nancy B. Winkler  
*cum laude*

CENTER FOR MANAGEMENT AND TECHNOLOGY

Procession Marshal: James P. McGuire

**Bachelor of Arts**

Robin L. DelSanto  
*magna cum laude*  
★Emile Dulcine  
†Johann Gomez  
Catherine M. Hannon  
Christian D. Jackson  
Michelle R. Meegan  
Robert K. Pinelli  
★David M. Valedofsky

**Bachelor of Science**

Brian E. Abalutzk  
*cum laude*  
*General Education Honors*  
Carlos Almeida  
Dennis P. Almeida  
John J. Arruda  
Joseph F. Ashness  
Stephanie J. Atanasoff  
Carol L. Baggott  
Steven M. Bailey

★Ana-Maria D. Baker  
†Victor S. Belcher  
Ronald F. Bennett II  
†Michael S. Berthiaume  
†Celine S. Bibeault  
★Diane Bolsa  
Stephanie E. Bowering  
Timothy J. Brizard  
Michael Broccolo  
Bonnie L. Brown  
Heather M. Brown  
*cum laude*  
†Conceicao E. Brum  
†John C. Burke  
★Anthony D. Cappucci  
Karen A. Carbone  
★Kevin J. Carbone  
†Daniel J. Cardarelli  
*summa cum laude*  
†Jessica M. Carroll  
★Eric P. Cartier  
★Denise S. Cesino  
*cum laude*  
Daniel A. Charest  
†Mitchell F. Cohen  
*cum laude*  
†Noreen A. Connor  
†John C. Cook  
†Jason M. Cornicelli  
Eric C. Cote  
Stephen B. Cournoyer  
*cum laude*  
†Christina D. Croff  
†Christine Crompton  
David G. DaCosta  
Sandy F. DaCosta  
Benvinda F. Dalomba  
★Sonia Da Silva  
†Loriann DeCarlo  
★Michael A. delaCruz  
Stephanie M. DeNofa  
★Robert W. Desjarlais  
★Jeffrey S. Devolve

|  |  |   |
|--|--|---|
| *Maria S. Dias<br><i>cum laude</i>             | Jonathan T. Joubert                        | *Russell G. Peters                                  |
| *Steven DiBiasio                               | †Sandralee R. Kelly                        | Antonio J. Petisce<br><i>magna cum laude</i>        |
| *Daniel R. Dion<br><i>cum laude</i>            | Susan M. Kline<br><i>cum laude</i>         | †Dean R. Petronio                                   |
| *Paula A. Dos Santos                           | †Shannon L. Kramer                         | †John P. Piccirillo<br><i>cum laude</i>             |
| *Victor Dosoito                                | †Sherrie A. Labrecque                      | *Brian A. Poli                                      |
| Kim A. Downing                                 | *Celeste Y. Lamontagne<br><i>cum laude</i> | Cornelia G. Pope                                    |
| †Candace R. Doyon                              | †Doreen E. Laramee                         | Margaret I. Pora                                    |
| †Stephen C. Drowne                             | Brendan K. Larkin                          | Richard L. Powers                                   |
| *Carol A. Evon                                 | Thomas Lewandowski                         | †Patricia J. Pryor                                  |
| †Kristen M. Falcone                            | *Steven R. Malcolm                         | Melissa A. Quilty<br><i>cum laude</i>               |
| *Lynn M. Fandetti                              | Kamaria L. Mann                            | *Lincoln K. Read<br><i>summa cum laude</i>          |
| †Margaret Farrish                              | Lisa A. Mantell                            | Kimberly A. Rego                                    |
| †Elizabeth A. Favata                           | *Amy B. Mariotti                           | *Theresa C. Ritota<br><i>magna cum laude</i>        |
| Steven C. Ferreira                             | Raysa M. Marte                             | †Mark S. Roberge                                    |
| Karen S. Fleurant                              | *Kerri L. Martin                           | *Brian P. Robinson                                  |
| Maria E. Fortune                               | *N. Mary Mashao                            | Azeredo G. Rodrigues                                |
| *Anthony V. Frattarelli                        | *Andrea H. Mayer                           | Martin K. Rossner                                   |
| *Kevin J. Frieswick                            | Steven R. McKay<br><i>cum laude</i>        | Gerald H. Russell, Jr.<br><i>cum laude</i>          |
| Joseph E. Frisk                                | Sharon J. McMichael                        | †Chad G. Senecal                                    |
| *Sun Sang Fung<br><i>cum laude</i>             | *Denise M. Menna                           | Thomas M. Shaw, Jr.                                 |
| Robert E. Gage                                 | *Christopher W. Meo<br><i>cum laude</i>    | Sarah Shlesinger                                    |
| Jamie L. Gaglione<br><i>cum laude</i>          | Steven J. Mineau                           | *Galina Shlopak                                     |
| Leo A. Gauette                                 | †Leysette Montero                          | *Aura P. Silva                                      |
| Michael J. Gargano                             | Karen B. Morgenstern                       | Joseph D. Sousa                                     |
| Steven R. Geroux                               | *Patricia J. Morrison                      | *Warren C. Spann                                    |
| Jeffrey C. Gervais                             | Sherri A. Mousseau                         | †Edward R. Stahowiak                                |
| Lauretta A. Girouard                           | Edward M. Mulvey                           | Kerri A. Stenovitch                                 |
| *Alvaro G. Gonzalez                            | Sarah B. Nadeau<br><i>cum laude</i>        | †Khamthavip Sydara                                  |
| †Osiris Gonzalez                               | *Kim Nisch                                 | †Nicholas A. Tella                                  |
| Jennifer L. Goodreau<br><i>magna cum laude</i> | †Mustapha Njie                             | Seana P. Thibeault                                  |
| Alissa K. Greenough                            | James R. Nolin                             | *Anne M. Turgeon                                    |
| Melinda M. Groff                               | *Darcy A. Nottell                          | *Marc Vachon  |
| Erik J. Gross                                  | Mark W. O'Connor                           | Alvaro F. Vargas                                    |
| *Anthony K. Guglielmo, Jr.<br><i>cum laude</i> | †Jeffrey P. O'Brien                        | Ann C. Wattendorf<br><i>cum laude</i>               |
| *Terrence T. Hannaway                          | †Maria E. Pacheco                          | Theresa M. Wedekind                                 |
| *Kristin N. Harnois                            | Heather M. Paliotti                        | *Nancy A. Weekley                                   |
| †Julie A. Harrington                           | Kimberly A. Paquette                       | Gail M. Wilson                                      |
| †Rocquicha L. Hazard                           | †Louis J. Parisi                           | Julia E. Wittig<br><i>Wall Street Journal Award</i> |
| Kathleen M. Healey                             | †Kulah Parker                              | Shirley L. Wu                                       |
| Michael Hebda                                  | *Marisol Pena                              | Ella Yanko<br><i>summa cum laude</i>                |
| †Jennifer A. Henry                             | *Dianne Pesaturo<br><i>magna cum laude</i> | <i>John Silva Memorial Scholastic Award</i>         |
| †Ruby Hernandez                                |  |   |
| Jeffrey C. Hurley                              |  |   |

# FACULTY OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

*Procession Marshal: Duncan A. White*

## Bachelor of Arts

- Melissa A. Abatiello
- †Morayo O. Akinlawon
- †Richard Alarie
- †Frederick T. Aldrich, Jr.
- Jamie B. Allienello
- William G. Almond
- Valerie M. Alviti
- \*Maria R. Amalfitano
- †Kim E. Andrews
- Tracy L. Ansay
- Gayle W. Antunes  
*summa cum laude*
- †Lisa M. Armenio
- \*Dolores C. Arruda
- †Carrie E. Arsenault
- Evelyn T. Asante
- Lauren B. Ashton
- †Stephanie R. Atwood-Tucker  
*magna cum laude*
- †Jason P. Audet
- Eleanor M. Austin
- †Lisa M. Bacon  
*cum laude*
- †Patricia M. Bacon  
*cum laude*
- Thomas M. Bain, Jr.
- Damien J. Baldino  
*cum laude*
- Steven K. Bannon
- Elizabeth F. Baptista
- \*Brenda M. Barrie  
*magna cum laude*
- †Annette N. Beauregard
- \*Thomas A. Benoit
- \*Kathleen Bequir
- †Samuel I. Berenson
- Michael Bettencourt  
*magna cum laude*  
*Rose Butler Browne Award*
- \*Donna L. Bettosi
- Charles G. Bibault  
*summa cum laude*  
*Honors in English*
- Stacy L. Biondo
- †Carla M. Bisbano
- Sherry A. Bizzacco  
*cum laude*
- †Christopher M. Blanchette
- \*Jennifer L. Blanchette
- Kevin W. Blanchette
- \*Jennifer R. Bliss  
*cum laude*

- †Kenneth A. Bliss
- Robin A. Bonin  
*cum laude*
- Donna M. Borges
- †Amy J. Borland
- David J. Boucher  
*cum laude*
- Russell J. Bowden II  
*magna cum laude*  
*Communications Achievement Award*
- †Marc A. Brunelle
- Amy Bruno  
*cum laude*
- Steven M. Buckner
- †Rachael I. Burnham
- Richard E. Burns
- \*John T. Bushoven
- Danielle L. Cabral
- †James M. Calitri
- Donna L. Cancel  
*magna cum laude*  
*Honors in Chemistry*
- Michael A. Caniglia
- Joseph C. Capalbo  
*magna cum laude*
- \*Sherri L. Caparco  
*cum laude*
- Christie L. Carcieri
- †Kerianne Carlson
- \*Anthony Carosi, Jr.
- Jennifer L. Carter  
*cum laude*
- Claudia A. Carvalho  
*cum laude*  
*Honors in Biology*
- Alissa J. Cassidy  
*cum laude*
- Carol A. Chapman
- †Leigh A. Chase
- \*Tracy A. Chicoine
- †Amy Cicilline
- Maria E. Cimini  
*General Education Honors*
- Robert C. Cinquegrana
- †Karen M. Cipriano
- Pamela J. Cipriano
- Patricia A. Cipriano
- Jessica S. Clark  
*magna cum laude*
- \*Denise A. Clay
- †Thomas R. Coderre
- Beneditto A. Colafrancesco  
*cum laude*
- \*Joyce M. Colantonio
- Abby G. Colby
- Cheryl A. Commendatore
- Christine D. Conant  
*cum laude*
- William J. Connerton
- †Christopher G. Coogan
- Hannah R. Cook
- †Ana P. Costa
- \*Brenda M. Cote
- Jennifer L. Cote
- †Kerri L. Cotoia
- †Mary F. Craigie
- \*George E. Crane  
*cum laude*
- Robert N. Crane  
*cum laude*  
*Honors in Biology*
- \*Lisa M. Crews
- †Toni A. Cristi
- \*Michael S. Cronan
- †James E. Crowley
- †Steven J. Cuddy
- Catherine M. Cummins  
*cum laude*
- Ricardo A. Cumplido
- \*Karen E. Curran
- Matthew D. D'Agenais
- Mary J. D'Alessio
- †Cindy A. D'Ambra
- Melissa A. D'Amico
- †Stephen M. D'Amico
- Kimberly M. Dantone
- Sonya R. D'Antonio
- Jenna L. Daum
- †Sarah Davey  
*summa cum laude*
- Scott J. Davey
- Jenni A. David
- Jonathan O. David
- Denyse M. Day  
*cum laude*
- †Vera D. DeBrito
- \*Lonnier W. Decker
- †Michael K. DelRosso
- Michael A. Del Signore  
*magna cum laude*  
*College Honors*  
*General Education Honors*  
*Honors in Political Science*  
*Herbert R. Winter Award for Academic Excellence in Political Science*
- Jennie E. De Luca
- †Kenneth DeMarco
- Tara B. DeMarco

|   |  |   |
|---|--|---|
| †Debra L. DeSilva<br><i>magna cum laude</i>   | Meredith A. Gallo<br><i>cum laude</i><br><i>General Education Honors</i>               | †Seamus P. Hearne   |
| *Keleigh B. DeSocio   | Joseph S. Gallucci<br><i>Honors in Sociology</i>                                       | *James C. Hendrickson   |
| Elizabeth Despres   | Anne M. Gammon   | William R. Hermans<br><i>summa cum laude</i><br><i>W. Christina Carlson Award</i>   |
| Kristin J. DeStefano  | Kerrie L. Gannon   | Abraham H. Herrera<br><i>cum laude</i>  |
| Jacques A. Dextradeur   | Joseph L. Garcia<br><i>cum laude</i>   | Sean P. Hill  |
| *Isabel C. Diaz   | †Yadira L. Garcia  | Timothy C. Hoard  |
| Andrea J. DiCicco   | *Amy L. Gartland   | Yvonne M. Hollins   |
| *Joseph J. Di Lorenzo, Jr.<br><i>cum laude</i>  | *Scott A. Gaskell  | *Thomas P. Holmes   |
| *Dawn M. DiSanto<br><i>cum laude</i>  | David J. Gatta   | †Michael T. Hooke, Sr.  |
| Jennifer A. Doherty   | Jaime A. Gauvin  | †Christine M. Horan<br><i>General Education Honors</i>  |
| Ann Dolbashian  | Brian S. Geary   | Joseph O. Hozempa   |
| *Jennifer J. Doorley  | †Sherry A. Gemma   | Elizabeth T. Hunt   |
| *Susan Doro   | *Jeannine C. Gendron<br><i>magna cum laude</i>   | Dino B. Iacobo<br><i>cum laude</i>  |
| †John W. Dowd   | *David J. Gervais  | Michelle Y. Inman<br><i>summa cum laude</i><br><i>Honors in Biology</i><br><i>Theodore Lemeska Award</i>                      |
| Tammy C. Drake  | †Stacie L. Gibeau  | †Sandy Jacinto  |
| *Amy L. Dumont  | Michael A. Giglio  | Erica L. Jacobson<br><i>magna cum laude</i><br><i>Bethia Christina Andrews Emin Award</i><br><i>(Outstanding Achievement)</i> |
| *Brian M. Durand  | Sean T. Gillooly<br><i>cum laude</i><br><i>General Education Honors</i>                | †Kathy-Dawn Jacques   |
| Melissa B. D'Urso<br><i>magna cum laude</i><br><i>General Education Honors</i><br><i>Lauris B. Whitman Award in Sociology</i> | *Kevin R. Glode  | †Jarso M. Jallah  |
| Tracy L. Dwyer  | Alison M. Gomes  | Amy S. Jeffrey  |
| *Brian M. Egan  | Fernanda M. Goncalves<br><i>magna cum laude</i>  | Cherie K. Jocelyn   |
| Jane Eggleston  | *Joseph R. Gonsalves<br><i>cum laude</i>   | †Amy L. Johnson   |
| †Mark D. Ercolano   | Michelle K. Gonya<br><i>Yetta Rauch Melcer Dance Award</i>                             | Cynthia E. Johnson  |
| †Gregory D. Evans   | Diane M. Goralski  | Nicole M. Johnson   |
| *Richard H. Evans<br><i>cum laude</i><br><i>General Education Honors</i>  | †Cherie Gosselin   | †Craig A. Jolicoeur   |
| Misty A. Faella   | Melissa D. Goudreau<br><i>cum laude</i><br><i>Psychology Faculty Senior Award</i>      | Melissa M. Karageorgos  |
| Janice Faircloth  | Benjamin P. Goulet<br><i>cum laude</i>   | Christine M. Keegan<br><i>cum laude</i>   |
| Diane E. Fauteux  | †Gina M. Grace<br><i>cum laude</i>   | Adam J. Keenan<br><i>cum laude</i>  |
| Buffy M. Fermino  | †Cheryl Grande   | Michele I. Kelly<br><i>magna cum laude</i><br><i>College Honors</i><br><i>General Education Honors</i>                        |
| Marlon M. Fernandes   | *Terrence L. Green   | Michelle R. Kenney<br><i>magna cum laude</i>  |
| †Paul Ferrazza  | Michael A. Grilli<br><i>magna cum laude</i>  | *Carol Kenyon   |
| †Brian D. Field   | *Jennie M. Guertin<br><i>cum laude</i>   | *Irina Khusid<br><i>cum laude</i>   |
| Sharon G. Fisher  | †Katherine M. Halloran   | †Bruce D. Klucznik<br><i>cum laude</i>  |
| Fred Fletcher   | *Rachel N. Hamel<br><i>cum laude</i>   | *Maja Knezevic<br><i>cum laude</i>  |
| †Kristen V. Fletcher<br><i>cum laude</i>  | Denice M. Handren  | Kyla A. Kolek   |
| Alissa J. Florio<br><i>cum laude</i><br><i>General Education Honors</i>   | Dayna E. Hansen  | Judith A. Krawitz   |
| *Ralph Florio   | †Jason T. Harkins  | Kenneth W. La Fountain  |
| Elizabeth A. Forte  | Joanne E. Hart   |   |
| Rochelle L. Fortin  | †Ryan M. Harvey  |   |
| *Sharon A. Franco<br><i>magna cum laude</i>   | Valerie H. Hassin<br><i>summa cum laude</i><br><i>Communications Achievement Award</i> |   |
| Robert C. Frank   |  |   |
| Ruth French<br><i>cum laude</i>   |  |   |
| Leslie J. Frettas<br><i>cum laude</i>   |  |   |
| Raymond J. Gagne II   |  |   |

|   |  |  |
|---|--|--|
| John W. Laiho<br><i>summa cum laude</i>       | Dorothy E. McDonough<br><i>magna cum laude</i>                     | Carla I. Orellana                                    |
| College Honors                                | John H. Chafee Award   | Heather V. Orzechowicz                               |
| General Education Honors                      | Kellie A. McDonough<br><i>cum laude</i>                            | †Charlayne D. Osborne                                |
| Honors in Physics                             | *James P. McGuire  | Thomas A. Ouellette                                  |
| Christopher R. Mitchell Award                 | Noella L. McKay  | Kimberly D. Overstreet                               |
| Ronald J. Boruch Award                        | Ian K. McKenna   | †Amy B. Paliotti                                     |
| Departmental Physics Award                    | Chad F. McNeil   | *Kenneth M. Pandozzi                                 |
| Eleanor M. McMahon Award                      | *Judith A. McNulty<br><i>magna cum laude</i>                       | Woojung Park   |
| Richard G. Lamoureux, Jr.                     | <i>James Houston Award (Geography)</i>                             | *Maria D. Pascale<br><i>magna cum laude</i>          |
| Andrea Lang                                   | Charles Meehan<br><i>magna cum laude</i>                           | †Sheetal N. Patel                                    |
| Scott D. Langlais<br><i>cum laude</i>         | <i>Jean Garrigue Award</i>   | Louise Paul<br><i>magna cum laude</i>                |
| Film Studies Program Faculty Award            | Susan E. Meizoso<br><i>magna cum laude</i>                         | Melanie A. Payette                                   |
| Daniel M. Larson                              | Tiffany L. Melzard   | †Matthew B. Pearson                                  |
| *James E. Laurie                              | *Aaron T. Mendence   | Angela E. Pecoraro                                   |
| †Elizabeth A. Lauzon<br><i>cum laude</i>      | *Diane M. Mendes<br><i>cum laude</i>                               | Robert N. Pellegrino                                 |
| Lisa L. Lavergne                              | Mary J. Mercurio   | *Lisa J. Pelletier                                   |
| Stephen F. Laxton                             | *Erin R. Messier   | †Jason C. Penza                                      |
| Stacey L. Leach<br><i>magna cum laude</i>     | Frank W. Minikon, Jr.  | †Kerry L. Perschau                                   |
| Nursing Faculty Award (Undergraduate)         | *Jeffrey C. Mitchell   | Benjamin A. Peterson                                 |
| *Gregory A. Le Clair                          | Richard N. Mona<br><i>Mary Ann Hawkes Award in Justice Studies</i> | *Linda Petrangolo                                    |
| Christopher A. Le Doux                        | Jane I. Monaghan<br><i>magna cum laude</i>                         | Stacia Petri   |
| †Ellen N. Lee<br><i>magna cum laude</i>       | <i>General Education Honors</i>                                    | †Gina M. Petrucci                                    |
| Patricia A. Lehmann<br><i>magna cum laude</i> | Jennifer L. Monahan  | Brendan H. Phelan                                    |
| Honors in English                             | *Patricia L. Montaquila  | Nathan D. Piekos                                     |
| Robert Leonti                                 | Cheryl A. Moreau   | Jennifer G. Pistacchio                               |
| Andrea M. Lewandowski<br><i>cum laude</i>     | *Kimberly J. Morelli<br><i>cum laude</i>                           | Alycia A. Pitassi                                    |
| Heather Lucitt                                | *Hope S. Morris  | †Claudinne D. Plante                                 |
| Johnson H. Ma<br><i>cum laude</i>             | *Jennifer M. Morrison  | Stefanie A. Pontifice                                |
| *Tara A. Macchio                              | Stacy M. Morse   | Jessica A. Post                                      |
| †Thomas F. Malloy                             | Jon E. Murray  | †Julie B. Powers                                     |
| Kerran B. Maloney                             | *Paul A. Nadeau  | †Cheryl A. Prignano                                  |
| †Charles J. Mansolillo                        | William S. Naughton  | *Robert F. Proulx                                    |
| †Michaela Marcello                            | *Christopher Needham   | *Keri A. Quinlan                                     |
| †Bryan A. Marcotte<br><i>cum laude</i>        | Hao T. Nguyen  | Jason J. Rainone<br><i>cum laude</i>                 |
| †Lindsey Marinaro                             | *David L. Noble<br><i>cum laude</i>                                | <i>General Education Honors</i>                      |
| Fernanda B. Marinho<br><i>summa cum laude</i> | <i>Communications Achievement Award</i>                            | †Jeanne Marie Ramos                                  |
| †Jonathan W. Marland                          | James C. Norton  | Rebecca L. Rawlinson                                 |
| Lori A. Marois                                | *Enrica P. Novello   | †Milene S. Rebelo                                    |
| *Elaine M. Marsella                           | Deborah L. Nunes   | †Brian D. Reifler                                    |
| Jason D. Martin<br><i>cum laude</i>           | *Stephanie D. O'Connor   | Megan J. Reith<br><i>cum laude</i>                   |
| Shelly A. Martin                              | *Diana M. O'Dowd<br><i>magna cum laude</i>                         | Jeffrey K. Renaud                                    |
| *Kara E. Marzahn<br><i>cum laude</i>          | *Meredith E. O'Hanley  | Robert A. Reynolds<br><i>cum laude</i>               |
| *Sheri J. Masiello                            | *Amy M. Oliveira   | <i>North Providence League of Women Voters Award</i> |
| *Christine E. Mazzarella                      | Stanley J. Olszewski<br><i>cum laude</i>                           | †Jennifer H. Richard                                 |
| *Ross K. McCurdy<br><i>summa cum laude</i>    | <i>General Education Honors</i>                                    | Meaghan L. Richmond<br><i>magna cum laude</i>        |
|   |  | Honors in Chemistry                                  |
|   |  | American Institute of Chemists Award                 |
|   |  | Rebecca A. Riley<br><i>cum laude</i>                 |

|  |   |   |
|--|---|---|
| Rebecca E. Robitaille                              | †Jennifer A. Sparks   | †Alaina Voccio<br><i>cum laude</i>  |
| Michael D. Rockwell                                | †Joel Spears  | Hera L. Votolato  |
| *Piedade S. Rodrigues                              | †Angelica Spirito   | Stephanie Wachewski   |
| Amy L. Rose  | Amy L. St. John   | †Beth A. Waldrop  |
| Pamela J. Rose<br><i>cum laude</i>                 | Ricky D. Stanley  | Christopher A. Wallick  |
| Brian M. Ross                                      | Jared C. Stanzione  | Yao Wang  |
| Sheri L. Ross                                      | *Renee L. Stearns<br><i>magna cum laude</i>   | Mitchell N. Warwick   |
| *Janet M. Russo                                    | †Anke Steinwehr Adler<br><i>cum laude</i>   | Jennifer L. Waterman  |
| †Paul G. Ryan<br><i>summa cum laude</i>            | Janice E. Stenson   | *Melissa E. Waterman  |
| Lisa M. Sabatini                                   | Gary L. Stevens, Jr.  | Scott P. Waterman   |
| *Armand M. Saccomanno                              | Nicole A. Stillson  | Jenna E. Wayland<br><i>cum laude</i>  |
| *Edward T. Salamy                                  | Eric R. Sturtevant<br><i>cum laude</i>  | Deborah F. Weisman<br><i>magna cum laude</i><br><i>Communications Achievement Award</i> |
| †Bahij A. Salman<br><i>Tegu Polyglot Award</i>     | Film Studies Program Faculty Award  | *Christopher J. Weiss   |
| Kevin A. Samways                                   | *Gregory A. Swain<br><i>cum laude</i>   | Connie A. West  |
| Gail Santafede                                     | †Roberta M. Swanson<br><i>cum laude</i>   | <i>Honors in Anthropology</i><br><i>Honors in Art (Art History)</i>                     |
| Diana J. Santos                                    | Joseph E. Sweet   | Emily K. West   |
| *Stephanie L. Santos                               | James D. Sylvester  | Maryelizab Whiting  |
| Susana Santos<br><i>cum laude</i>                  | Matthew R. Sylvestre  | Karen L. Whitton  |
| *Scott C. Saracen                                  | Javier A. Tamayo  | *Jill M. Wiegand  |
| Todd M. Sawyer                                     | Susan L. Tarbell  | *Tara A. Wilcox   |
| Lori A. Scalzo                                     | †Alan J. Tenreiro   | †Tarra M. Williams  |
| Teri L. Schiavulli                                 | Xay Thao  | †Patricia M. Wood   |
| *Brian G. Schneider                                | Brian K. Thibeault<br><i>magna cum laude</i><br><i>Richard A. Howland Computer Science</i><br><i>Award</i>                  | *Aaron J. Wujcik  |
| Dean A. Scungio<br><i>General Education Honors</i> | Patricia A. Thibodeau   | *Tracy L. Wyrostek  |
| Todd A. Scungio<br><i>General Education Honors</i> | †Robert E. Thistlewaite<br><i>magna cum laude</i><br><i>Claiborne deB. Pell Award</i>                                       | *Cheng Yang   |
| Thomas J. Sederback                                | †Donna E. Thomas  | Lori A. Zaborski  |
| John C. Sellechio<br><i>magna cum laude</i>        | Janette M. Thomas   | *Jennifer A. Zagroski   |
| Michael E. Senape                                  | Carole L. Tolchinsky  | †Maryanne Zanfagna  |
| Michael D. Sepe<br><i>cum laude</i>                | †Damon A. Tomassi   | Bonnie N. Zavalia   |
| †Paul M. Sevigny                                   | Frank V. Toti, Jr.<br><i>magna cum laude</i><br><i>Honors in Theatre</i><br><i>Peter Jeffrey Archambault Memorial Award</i> | Nicole A. Zoraian   |
| †Donald R. Shadoian<br><i>summa cum laude</i>      | *Christopher A. Towey   | <b>Bachelor of Fine Arts</b>  |
| *Atinuke Shittu                                    | Kira L. Trainor<br><i>cum laude</i>   | Jeffrey G. Begnoche<br><i>cum laude</i><br><i>Studio Art Award</i>                      |
| Sean M. Siembab                                    | *Maria Tsimikas<br><i>magna cum laude</i>   | Linda R. Binder<br><i>magna cum laude</i>   |
| Alyssa B. Sigel                                    | †Lisa M. Tudino   | Elena C. Clark  |
| *David B. Silva                                    | Malda S. Tyks   | †Joann G. Lefevre<br><i>magna cum laude</i>   |
| †Jennifer Silva<br><i>cum laude</i>                | *David A. Ucci  | *Jason P. Major<br><i>magna cum laude</i>   |
| *Melanie A. Silvestro                              | Christopher Urrico  | Emily McNeil  |
| Erik S. Sippy                                      | Kristen F. Vaillancourt<br><i>Rhode Island College Theatre Award</i>  | Erica M. Meyer<br><i>magna cum laude</i>  |
| *Julie A. Smith                                    | Christine F. Vales  | David M. Parkerson<br><i>cum laude</i>  |
| Kristen J. Smith<br><i>cum laude</i>               | †David R. Vito<br><i>cum laude</i>  | *Zelia M. Vargas  |
| Steven Smith                                       |   | <b>Bachelor of General Studies</b>  |
| Stephanie A. Smyth                                 |   | Jill K. Bowen   |
| L. Darren Sorensen                                 |   | †Deborah F. Cabral Martin<br><i>cum laude</i>   |
| Anna M. Sousa                                      |   |   |
| Elizabeth Sousa                                    |   |   |

|   |  |                                 |
|---|--|---------------------------------|
| Catherine M. Gates                      | Debra L. Feroce                              | Linda R. Michaud                |
| <i>cum laude</i>                        |  |                                 |
| †Barbara P. Gilbert                     | John P. Fredericks                           | Melanie L. Mioduszewski         |
| Joan Grenier                            | <i>magna cum laude</i>                       | Linda M. Mitchell               |
| <i>magna cum laude</i>                  | Colleen D. Fullerton                         | Pamela S. Mitchell              |
| Gail B. Miller                          | <i>Nursing Faculty Award</i>                 | Elizabeth A. Mollica            |
| Nina R. Petrarca                        | <i>(Undergraduate—Registered Nurse)</i>      | Nelia F. Mota                   |
| *Maria Santoro                          | Sherri L. Fusco                              | Angela J. Nava                  |
| *Richard E. Swenson                     | <i>cum laude</i>                             | <i>cum laude</i>                |
| <b>Bachelor of Music in Performance</b> | Joseph M. Gilbody                            | Lori A. Nelson                  |
| John R. Arrigo, Jr.                     | <i>cum laude</i>                             | Hao T. Nguyen                   |
| Amy A. Del Santo                        | †Lee Gilman                                  | Kimberly A. Nolette             |
| †Dan M. Hann                            | Karen J. Gobin                               | Lorraine G. Okerholm            |
| Donald A. Ringuette, Jr.                | <i>magna cum laude</i>                       | Rigas C. Papagolos              |
| <b>Bachelor of Science</b>              | *Dorene L. Godfrey                           | Scott M. Partington             |
| Susan M. Acquaviva                      | Marva V. Grant                               | Steven J. Pechie                |
| <i>magna cum laude</i>                  | Monique M. Grenon                            | <i>General Education Honors</i> |
| Chinemere M. Amaechi                    | Elisabeth J. Harte                           | Melissa A. Peirce               |
| Linda M. Antuono                        | Christi M. Hastings                          | <i>cum laude</i>                |
| Kellie C. Armstrong                     | <i>magna cum laude</i>                       | Jacqueline M. Perella           |
| Cynthia A. Aston                        | Monica Hensel                                | Krista E. Perry                 |
| Elaine M. Baldwin                       | Karin L. Hogan                               | Nina R. Petrarca                |
| Suzanna D. Baptista                     | Teresa R. Hook                               | Southamma Phommatheth           |
| <i>magna cum laude</i>                  | Michelle Y. Inman                            | Lisa A. Poncin                  |
| Rebecca L. Barone                       | <i>summa cum laude</i>                       | Kimberly A. Ramos               |
| <i>cum laude</i>                        | <i>Honors in Biology</i>                     | <i>cum laude</i>                |
| Brittany A. Bennett                     | <i>Theodore Lemeshka Award</i>               | William D. Reback               |
| Elizabeth M. Bentley                    | Clare S. Iorfida                             | Renee P. Recore                 |
| Jamie L. Bergin                         | Svetlana Ivanova                             | Bobbie C. Reid                  |
| Sheri J. Boisseau                       | Erica L. Jacobson                            | <i>cum laude</i>                |
| Sandra Dee F. Botelho                   | <i>magna cum laude</i>                       | Sharon Russell                  |
| <i>cum laude</i>                        | <i>Bertha Christina Andrews Emin Award</i>   | Gregory Sansonese               |
| Sheri A. Boucher                        | <i>(Outstanding Achievement)</i>             | <i>cum laude</i>                |
| Michele A. Bourgoin                     | †Emilie A. Joost                             | Diana J. Santos                 |
| <i>cum laude</i>                        | Scott C. Kadelski                            | Lisa M. Savage                  |
| Courtney E. Briar                       | Jacqueline L. Lamb                           | <i>cum laude</i>                |
| Paul O. Brisson                         | Jennifer L. LaMothe                          | Kimberly A. Savoie              |
| Karen L. Brooks                         | <i>cum laude</i>                             | Ricardo Simoes                  |
| Amy Bruno                               | Stacey L. Leach                              | Mary-Beth Smith                 |
| <i>cum laude</i>                        | <i>magna cum laude</i>                       | Maria E. Stanlewicz             |
| Linda L. Cahoon                         | <i>Nursing Faculty Award (Undergraduate)</i> | Cheryl A. Taylor                |
| Lucretia E. Cardin                      | Jacqueline M. Lemire                         | Janet M. Tepolt                 |
| Kara L. Castellucci                     | Molly Leung                                  | Pauline I. Tessitore            |
| <i>cum laude</i>                        | Jeannine Levesque                            | Xay Thao                        |
| Mark J. Corsi                           | Suzanne E. Lowe                              | Karen L. Torbik                 |
| †Lisa M. Crandall                       | Tara Lussier                                 | <i>cum laude</i>                |
| Jill M. Cranham                         | Joyce M. MacIntyre                           | Becky J. Trafford               |
| Shirley A. Cronin-Clarke                | Mary Ann Mallozzi                            | Varinia H. Vallante             |
| †Dawn A. Cunningham                     | Sandra L. Maroney                            | Christopher R. Van Pelt         |
| †Irene A. Daniels                       | Lori A. Martone                              | Karen E. Varney                 |
| Keeley T. Dante                         | Suzanne M. Mastrangelo                       | <i>magna cum laude</i>          |
| Sherry A. DeMacedo                      | Bridget A. Mayer                             | Sandra L. Vicknair              |
| <i>cum laude</i>                        | William C. McColl IV                         | Lisa A. Vierra                  |
| Jennifer E. DeMarco                     | Amanda McGannon                              | Jane E. Walsh                   |
|   | Kristen A. McKeating                         | Diane M. Young                  |
|   | Raeagan McVay                                | Nicole A. Zoraian               |
|   | Elizabete M. Medeiros                        |                                 |
|   | <i>cum laude</i>                             |                                 |
|   | Donna L. Merlino                             |                                 |
|   | <i>magna cum laude</i>                       |                                 |
|   | Jeffrey S. Messier                           |                                 |



#### THE RHODE ISLAND COLLEGE SEAL

The official Rhode Island College seal, adopted in 1960, incorporates the anchor, a symbol of hope and of the state of Rhode Island, with the founding date of the institution, 1854. The seal was designed by Dr. Edith C. Becker, professor emerita of art, who adapted the central flame symbol from the Holbrook Murals in the foyer of Roberts Hall. The flame is used in the murals to depict the energy that has supported over the eons the development of all living things and has led man to his highest intellectual achievements. In like manner, the flame in the Rhode Island College seal stands for the life of the body and the life of the mind, symbolizing the human and intellectual goals and achievements of Rhode Island College.



#### THE DEL SESTO MACE

At the 1959 Commencement Exercises, the first held on the present Mount Pleasant campus, Governor Christopher Del Sesto presented to Rhode Island College a bronze replica of the statue of the Independent Man so that the College, which up to that time had been located near the State House, might continue its tradition of holding commencements and other academic convocations in the presence of the Independent Man. The Del Sesto Mace, designed by the noted Rhode Island sculptor, the late Aristide Cianfarani, and crafted by the Gorham Company, has been in use since 1962 in all academic processions as a symbol of tradition, authority, and of Rhode Island College's commitment to the search for truth, knowledge, beauty, values, and learning.

#### THE WILLARD MEDALLION

The Willard Medallion, a symbol of the office of the president worn at official and ceremonial occasions, links plates bearing the names of the chief executive officers, who have led Rhode Island College since 1973, in a sterling silver collar with an enamel medallion. It was commissioned by the Rhode Island College Alumni Association and designed by silversmith Curtis K. LaFollette, professor of art at the College, to commemorate the inauguration of Dr. Charles Borromeo Willard as the first alumnus to be named president of the College.

## ACADEMIC ATTIRE

The caps, gowns, and hoods worn at college and university functions date back to the Middle Ages. Monks and students used them to keep warm in medieval castles and halls of learning. From these practical origins, they have developed into the accepted formal apparel which symbolizes scholarly achievement.

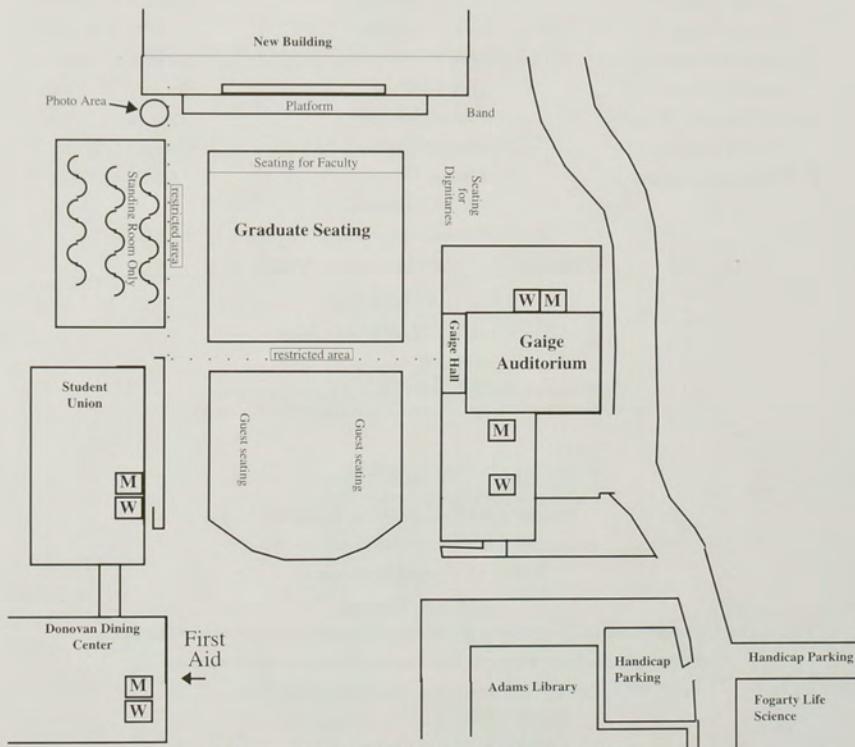
Baccalaureate gowns have a long, pleated front with shirring across the shoulders and back. They are primarily distinguished by flowing sleeves, pointed at the fingertip. These gowns may be worn either open or closed.

The master's gown is worn open and the sleeve is cut so that the forearm comes through a slit just above the elbow.

The doctor's gown has rounded sleeves and velvet panels around the neck and down the front of the gown, as well as three velvet bars on the sleeves. In recent years American universities have followed the custom of European institutions of having doctoral gowns in the color of the university.

Mortar boards or caps worn with baccalaureate and master's gowns generally have black tassels. The tassel of the doctoral cap is usually made of gold bullion.

The hood gives color and real meaning to the academic costume. Its silk lining bears the colors of the institution conferring the degree. The hood is bordered with velvet of a prescribed width and color to indicate the field of learning to which the degree pertains.



## HONORARY DEGREES

### Doctor of Fine Arts

Paul Lewis Binder

### Doctor of Fine Arts

Armand M. LaMontagne

### Doctor of Humane Letters

Spalding Gray

### Doctor of Public Service

B. Jae Clanton

## COMMENCEMENT COORDINATOR

Kathryn M. Sasso

## COMMENCEMENT MARSHALS

### Grand Marshal

Dolores A. Passarelli

### Platform Marshal

Robert E. Hogan

Suzanne Augenstein

Marlene L. Lopes

Cheryl J. Precopio

Myra F. Blank

Janis H. Marecsak

Betty J. Rauhe

Robert K. Bower

Colette J. Matarese

Lauryn E. Sasso

Karen S. Castagno

Bette McCabe

Susan S. Solty

Patricia A. Cordeiro

Linda M. McEnery

Nancy S. Sullivan

John F. Custer

Dennis McGovern

Debra A. Thomson

E. Belle Evans

James P. McGuire

Paul Tiskus

Murray H. Finley

Robin K. Montvilo

Donald E. Tencher

Linda A. Green

Ann E. Moskol

Gertrude R. Toher

Carol A. Hryciw-Wing

S. Scott Mueller

Duncan A. White

Phyllis Hunt

William J. Oehlkers

Lynn M. Willey

P. William Hutchinson

Eleanor O'Neill

Karen A. Zifcak

Susan C. Owens

## BEARERS OF THE DEL SESTO MACE

Vivian La Ferla Morgan

*Chair, Council of Rhode Island College*

Lucia Napoli Amado '92

*Vice President, Rhode Island College Alumni Association*

## MUSICAL SELECTIONS

Rhode Island College Wind Ensemble

assisted by members of The American Band

Robert H. Franzblau, *Conductor*

The Commencement Coordinator gratefully acknowledges the many undergraduate volunteers who have served as marshals and ushers for these ceremonies.

Our special thanks go to members of the SOS

(Slightly Older Students) organization

for serving as procession marshals.

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

His Excellency Lincoln C. Almond

BOARD OF GOVERNORS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

|                     |                       |                       |
|---------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Alfred S. Budnick   | Gordon Fox            | Michael F. Ryan       |
| Frank Caprio        | George Graboys, Chair | Deborah A. Smith      |
| Thomas Coderre      | Jack Keigwin          | John E. Sullivan, Jr. |
| Laura M. DiSano     | Frederick Lippitt     | William J. Turner     |
| Francis X. Flaherty | Aaron Phaneuf         | Alfred J. Verrecchia  |

COMMISSIONER OF HIGHER EDUCATION

Stephen T. Hulbert

OFFICERS OF RHODE ISLAND COLLEGE

John Nazarian

*President*

John J. Salesses

*Vice President for Academic Affairs*

Lenore A. DeLucia

*Vice President for Administration and Finance*

Gary M. Penfield

*Vice President for Student Affairs*

James D. Turley

*Dean, School of Graduate Studies*

Richard R. Weiner

*Dean, Faculty of Arts and Sciences*

David E. Nelson

*Dean, Feinstein School of Education and Human Development*

George D. Metrey

*Dean, School of Social Work*

PRESIDENTS EMERITI

William C. Gaige

Joseph F. Kauffman

# ALMA MATER

*4 measures of introduction*

GRACE E. BIRD

GRACE E. BIRD  
HELEN S. LEAVITT

MODERATO

Detailed description: The musical score consists of five staves of music. Staff 1: Dear Al - ma Ma - ter wise and kind, To thy fair name shall. Staff 2: e'er be - long our grate - ful prais - es and our love, The trib - ute of our. Staff 3: song. — Thou guard - ian of the sa - cred shrine of truth that makes us. Staff 4: free. We cher - ish thy be - lov - ed fame and pledge our loy - al - ty. Staff 5: Rhode Is - land Col - lege hail to thee! All hail to Al - ma - ter! En - shined thou art with - in the heart of ev - 'ry son and daugh - ter.



