



From the moment our founders set foot in Atlanta with a passion to educate Black women, Spelman's noble work began. That work, 144 years later, continues through each generation of students who walk our halls, faculty who shape their minds, and alumnae who carry Spelman's mission into the world.

Today, we stand at a pivotal moment—one that calls on us to ensure that Spelman's legacy of excellence not only endures but thrives. With shifting financial landscapes and uncertain funding, our commitment to supporting not just our students, but also the faculty and staff who make their success possible, is more critical than ever.

This Founders Day, we invite you to honor Spelman's past by securing its future. Celebrate 144 years of excellence since 1881 by giving \$18.81, \$188, \$1,881, or any amount meaningful to you by 11:59 p.m. EST on Sunday, April 13. No gift is too small.

Please encourage your Spelman sisters, friends, and family to give alongside you. Every gift to Spelman Strong, our unrestricted fund, sustains the foundation of our institution—empowering scholars, advancing research, and providing the critical resources that keep Spelman thriving. More than a donation, it's an investment in Spelman's future, ensuring excellence continues for generations to come.

Let us continue the noble work that began with our founders in 1881 and now echoes around the world. Thank you for helping to secure Spelman's legacy.



Visit www.spelmanlane.org/foundersday25 or call 866.512.1690 to make your gift today!

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**FOUNDERS DAY
APRIL 1- 13, 2025**

SPELMAN COLLEGE



THE SPELMAN COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
AND
INTERIM PRESIDENT AND CHAIR EMERITA ROSALIND "ROZ" BREWER, C'84

REQUEST THE HONOR OF YOUR PRESENCE AT THE

Founders Day Alumnae Celebration

IN HONOR OF THE
ONE HUNDRED FORTY-FOURTH ANNIVERSARY
OF THE FOUNDING OF

SPELMAN COLLEGE

AND RECOGNIZING THE FOUNDERS DAY HONOREES



HONORARY DEGREE RECIPIENT

Commander La'Shanda (Holmes) Hawkins, C'2007

First African American female helicopter pilot in the U.S. Coast Guard and former Special Assistant to NASA Administrator, General Charles F. Bolden



FOUNDERS SPIRIT AWARD

Delores Crockett, C'69

Retired Civil Servant Executive (U.S. Department of Labor Women's Bureau) and Dedicated Spelman Volunteer

TRUE BLUE AWARD

Dana Pride Jones

Women's Center Operations Coordinator

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9, 2025

6:00 P.M. EDT

Friendship Baptist Church
80 Walnut Street, S.W. | Atlanta, GA 30314

Space is limited and is \$50/per person to attend.

FOUNDERS DAY 2025 SCHEDULE

Thursday, April 3, 2025

11:00 am-11:50 am

History and Traditions Convocation
Sisters Chapel

We invite you to be a part of a cross-generational conversation that will recognize our heroes of the past and the future work to be continued.

Sunday, April 6, 2025

1:00 pm

Founders Day Worship Service
Sisters Chapel

Join us for an engaging worship service experience featuring a powerful message from Rev. Jillian Lea Twiggs, C'2018, Youth Pastor at Fellowship Missionary Baptist Church in Chicago, Illinois.

Wednesday, April 9, 2025

6:00 pm-8:00 pm

Alumnae Celebration
Friendship Baptist Church, Atlanta

Join us for a memorable evening as we celebrate and honor our 2025 awardees with special tributes and presentations. The event will be held at Friendship Baptist Church, located at 80 Walnut Street, S.W. Atlanta, GA 30314.

Space is limited and is \$50/per person to attend. Dinner and parking are included.

Thursday, April 10, 2025

6:30 am-8:00 am

Senior Class Robing
The Beverly Daniel Tatum Suites Dining Hall/
Amphitheatre

We invite alumnae volunteers to help graduating seniors with their academic regalia. Come be a part of this celebrated tradition! Breakfast will be provided.

Thursday, April 10, 2025

7:30 am-9:30 am

Senior/First-Year Student Line-up
The Beverly Daniel Tatum Suites Dining Hall
Alumnae volunteers are needed to assist with guiding graduating seniors from the class picture, and first-year students from their meeting location, into Sisters Chapel for the Convocation processional.

9:30 am - 12:00 pm

Founders Day Convocation
Alumnae Viewing Party
Manley College Center June Gary Hopps
Atrium

Join family, friends, and fellow Spelman women for a viewing party of the Founders Day Convocation. Continental breakfast to be provided.

12:00 pm

Spelman College Birthday Party
Rockefeller Hall steps facing The Oval
The Granddaughters Club of Spelman College leads the traditional cutting of the College's birthday cake.

Saturday, April 12, 2025

1:00 pm-3:00 pm

Spelman College Glee Club Luncheon
Richardson-Jackson Performing Arts Center
Lobby

Join the Spelman College Glee Club in a celebratory luncheon.

Sunday, April 13, 2025

5:00 pm

Spelman College Glee Club
Centennial Spring Concert
Sisters Chapel

Open to the Public

Join us in celebrating a milestone as the Spelman College Glee Club commemorates 100 years with rhythmic musical selections.



VISIT www.spelman.edu/alumnae/founders-day or call 404.270.5048 for more information or to RSVP for events. All events will take place in Eastern Daylight Time.