

Syracuse University

Renée Crown University Honors Program

Convocation

2024



Hendricks Chapel - Friday May 10, 2024

Program

Prelude

Organist
Anne Laver

Processional

Message to the Graduates

Danielle Taana Smith
Director
Renée Crown University Honors Program

Presentation of Medallions

Honors Student Speaker

Yasmin Nayrouz
College of Arts & Sciences and
Newhouse School of Communications

Presentation of Thesis Prize Winners

Minet Schindehutte
Associate Professor of Entrepreneurship
Whitman School of Management

Alma Mater

Recessional

ABOUT THE ORLIN PRIZE

Each year, members of the Honors Core Faculty lead committees to select the best Thesis of the year in five categories: humanities, social sciences, natural sciences/engineering, professional programs, and creative projects. Recipients are awarded \$1,000. From among those prize-winning Theses, one is selected to receive the Orlin Prize for the “outstanding Thesis of the year.” This honor carries an additional \$2,000 award.

ABOUT DAVID ORLIN

The Orlin Prize is made possible by a gift from Honors alumnus David Orlin. Mr. Orlin graduated from Syracuse University in 1947 with a BA in Political Science from the College of Arts and Sciences, and went on to pursue a successful law practice in New York City. He served as chief counsel and partner at Windels Marx Lane & Mittendorf, LLP, from 1954 until his passing in 2015. His areas of practice included corporate, securities, antitrust and trade regulation, and trademark law. Mr. Orlin’s wide-ranging career included advising foreign companies in connection with mergers, acquisitions and divestitures, and securities registration.

HONORS GRADUATES

Kismet Abbett Entrepreneurship & Emerging Enterprises - Cristiano Bellavitis
SwimBoo Business Plan

Marwa Abedrabbah Psychology - Bradley Seymour
Amalgam Fillings Disproportionately Impacting Children Physically and Psychologically in Underserved Communities

Ulla Abusabib International Relations - Amy Kallander
The Tug of Identity: Arabization in Sudan and Tunisia

Miguel Guzman Aguirre Biotechnology - Davoud Mozhdehi
Harnessing Cholesterylation for Engineering Bio-active Nanoparticles

Faith Akoachere Biochemistry - Sarah Hall
Functional Characterization of Systemic RNA Interference in *C. elegans*

Claire Aronson Creative Writing - Sarah Harwell
Between Yesterday and Tomorrow: A Poetry Collection

Sydney Baldrige Health & Exercise Science - Ignatius Ijere
How Long-term, Aerobic Exercise Can be Used to Treat Substance Use Disorders

Ruqaiyah Bandukwala Architecture - Eliana Hamdi
Re-defining Women's Agency in Sacred Burial Grounds

Vir Batra Music Industry - Patrick MacDougall
The Evolution of Sound Recording Technology and the Opportunities for Accessibility

Olivia Battell Public Health - Sandra Lane
The Effects of Opioid Use on Maternal and Fetal Health & Addressing Barriers to Recovery

Abigail Baughan Magazine, News & Digital Journalism - Aileen Gallagher
Applications of Artificial Intelligence in Journalism Production

Samuel Baylow Television, Radio and Film - Keith Giglio
Mertonville: A Comedy Pilot

Gabriella Benintendi Acting - Ricky Pak
An Honors Thesis Project in Acting

Tyler Bernier Architecture - Kiana Memarandadgar
Bio-cementation: Material Innovation in Architecture

Christian Bevilacqua Geography - Timur Hammond
Spaceship in the Secondary Classroom: Environmental Sustainability Education Bargaining in the GCC

Allison Bilger Television, Radio and Film - Keith Giglio
Foul is Fair: An Original Screenplay

Kelvin Boakye Public Health - Bernard Appiah
Sickle Cell Disease Reporting in the United States by Magazines of Color: A Content Analysis

Kali Bosket	Earth Sciences - Scott Samson
Sands of Zealandia: Testing Ideas of Sedimentary Provenance	
Isabella Brown	Policy Studies - Austin Zwick
Examining the Extent of Exclusionary Zoning in Northern Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania Using the Surrick Fair Share Test	
Kyra Brown	Architecture
Architectonic Couture	
Lirona Brucaj	Nutrition - Maryam Yuhass
The Efficacy of Nutrition Education on Reducing Food Waste in Schools	
Jordan Campanelli	Inclusive Elementary & Special Education - George Theoharis
Educating All: Discovering the Value of Inclusive Education	
Eliana Cestero	Policy Studies - Austin Zwick
Affordable Housing in New York City: Policies Towards Increasing Supply	
Ananya Chandra	Environment, Sustainability, & Policy - Farhana Sultana
Drowning in Dispossession: Neoliberal Water Governance & its Drawbacks	
Dominic Chiappone	History - Paul Hagenloh
'An Everlasting Legacy': How Government Overreach in the 1993 Waco Siege Created a Symbolic Rallying Cry for the Religious, Militaristic Far-Right Over Three Decades Later	
Sophia Clinton	Political Science & Women's and Gender Studies - Dr. PJ DiPietro
Colonial Legacies: A Study of Queer Erasure in Sexual Health Policies in Chile, 1973-1990	
Alana Coffman	International Relations - Junko Takeda
The Struggle Continues: Countering Western Misconceptions about the So-Called 'Arab Spring' and its Aftermath by Highlighting Cases of Protest, Organizing, and Resistance in Morocco, Post-2011	
Megan Cooper	International Relations - Tod Rutherford
Anti-Indigenous Sentiment and Right-Wing Ideational Populism in Araucanía, Chile	
Sophie Creager-Roberts	History - George Kallander
Examining Ecological Imperialism: Implications for the Built & Natural Environment in Vietnam	
Yuxi Dai	Architecture - Emily Pellicano
A Critical Statement Paper on Exploring Technology, AI, and Synthetic Imagination in my Architectural Journey	
Erica Daley	Advertising - Faren Karimkhan
The Evolution and Impact of Film Advertising	
Sophia Darsch	International Relations - Osamah Khalil
"Bluwashing:" The Blue Economy as an Avenue for Resource Exploitation in the New Arctic	
Jonah Da Silva	Biology- Heidi Hehnley
3D Cellular Tracking Mechanisms in Zebrafish	
Kate Davignon	International Relations - Jane Read
Denmark's Climate Efforts: Can the Rest of Europe Achieve the Same Success?	

Maria DeCaro They Already Know Everything About You	Information Management & Technology - Michael Fudge
Emily Devito Women in the Workplace: Being a Woman in Finance and Real Estate	Finance - Thomas Barkley
Erik Dighton Design Build: Construction Package for Brady Farm Interior Fit-out	Architecture - Hannibal Newsom
Laura Duke Drawing Conclusions: A Historical and Personal Examination of Drawing for Architecture	Architecture - Julie Larsen
Payton Dunn Absurdist Media	Music Industry - Bill Werde
James Eagan From Theory to Practice: An International Tax Internship Experience	Accounting - Ginger Wagner
Rachel Eisenman Characteristics of Local News Media Coverage of Guns: How State Politics and Geographic Region Impact Online News Coverage	Political Science
Diana Erenburg Unveiling Silent Seizures: EEG Analysis in System xc- Null Mice	Neuroscience - Sandra Hewett
Alexi Farnes Determinants of Public Opinion on the U.S. Supreme Court	Political Science - Erin Hern
Maxwell Fernandez Illumination: A Retrospective on Five Years of Architecture School	Architecture - Edgar Rodriguez
Dylan France Syracuse University's Budgeting System: Responsibility Center Management	Finance - Thomas Barkley
Noah Fritsch The Cast of a House: An Index of Place	Architecture - Edgar Rodriguez
Dylan Fromm Designs of Conquest: Mughal and British Architecture in India	Architecture - Gary Eversole
Maya Fuller Respectability Politics and Black Queer People	Sociology- Marcelle Haddix
Philip Galati IV A Stateside Star: How Lionel Messi is Rewriting the Past, Present, and Future of Professional Soccer in America	Sport Management - Rick Burton
Guerdyna Gelin Race in the Nexus of Law and Educational Redlining: A Comparative Study	Policy Studies - Austin Zwick
Benjamin Gerard Predicting the Complex Dependence of Ignition Delay Times on Pressure Using Machine Learning	Aerospace Engineering - Benjamin Akih-Kumgeh

Valerie Goldstein	Policy Studies - Austin Zwick
Improving Career and Technical Education for All Students: A Study of CTE Programs at Two High Schools	
Alexandra Gordon	Architecture - Terrence Goode
Intentional Communities, Counterculture, and Alternative Living: America's Return to Communal Living - A Study of Modern Intentional Communities in Hyde Park, Chicago	
Ashley Goss	Neuroscience - Jennifer Cook
Critical Role of Immediate Early Genes	
MJ Gray	Policy Studies - Austin Zwick
Assessing the Future of Sustainable Agriculture in Syracuse, New York	
Liam Griffin	Broadcast & Digital Journalism - Les Rose
Journalism in a COVID-19 World	
Alexandra Grypinich	Architecture - Hannibal Newsom
Design Build: Construction Package for Brady Farm Interior Fit-out	
Brenna Henderson	Bioengineering - Douglas Yung
The VersaBrace	
Anna Hill	Advertising - Sean Branagan
Script to Screen: Analyzing the Art of Production through Film Coverages	
Alexandra Hodge	Information Management & Technology - EunJeong Cheon
Social Media and the Idealism of City Living: TikTok's Imprint on Urban Landscapes	
Roselynn Hodges	Environmental & Interior Design - Jody Nyboer
Syracuse Unseen: Reinventing Urban Cold Spots for Cultural Placemaking and Economic Sustainability	
Daniel Horan Jr	Architecture - Timothy Stenson
Cabinets: Fabricating an Architectural Interior	
Alethea Shirilan-Howlett	Drama - Katie McGerr
Pits!: A Miracle Play	
Rachel Iannarelli	Linguistic Studies - Kenji Oda
Forensic Linguistics: The Pragmatics of Police Interviews	
Melina Iavarone	Psychology - Afton Kapuscinski
Gender Disparities in Depression: A Review of the Sociocultural Contributions to Working Women's Mental Health Struggle	
Ashley Issak	Biology - James Hewett
The Role of Caspase 1 in the Maintenance of the Innate Seizure Threshold	
Sarah Jackson	Economics - Chung-Chin Liu
The High Prices of Insulin in the United States and their Comparison to Other Countries	
Nicholas Jacobs	Mechanical Engineering
An Honors Thesis Project in Mechanical Engineering	

Sydney Jones	Marketing Management - Liangbin Yang
The Modern-Day Culture of Finance and Real Estate: Opportunities Beyond the Traditional Trajectory	
MaryKate Keevins	Television, Radio and Film - Kelly Leahy
Appropriation in Western Animation: A Case Study in 'Avatar: the Last Airbender'	
Sungyun Kim	Information Management & Technology - Jaime Banks
Gender and Sexual Orientation Differences in Attitudes Toward Synthetic Pornography	
Katherine Kjellberg	Television, Radio and Film
An Honors Thesis Project in Television, Radio and Film	
Ekaterina Kladova	Computer Science - Adam Peruta
Tesori: Uniting Italian Artisans via an Online Platform	
Lauren Kossuth	Communication Science & Disorders - Ellyn Riley
Understanding the Effects of Aphasia on Mental Health	
Yvonne Kuo	Psychology - Natalie Russo
Investigating Sex Differences: Characterization of the P1 and Social Behaviors Associated with Autism	
Kaitlin LaRosa	Policy Studies - Austin Zwick
Sustainability in Higher Education: The State of Sustainability at Syracuse University	
Linh Le	Citizenship & Civic Engagement - Gretchen Purser
Immigration Law: Right to an Attorney for Refugees and Asylum Seekers	
Jacob Leisawitz	Neuroscience - Sandra Hewett
Arsenite-Mediated Transcriptional Regulation of Glutathione Synthesis in Astrocytes	
Shannon Leone	Nutrition Science - Margaret Voss
Genetic Variation and Dietary Choices: Teaching Nutrigenomics Using Prader-Willi as a Case Study	
Amanda Letts	Food Studies - Rick Welsh
The Barriers that Impede Community Engagement with Alternative Markets: Community Perspectives in Syracuse, NY	
Zhuangdao Li	International Relations - Peter Wilcoxon
An Honors Thesis Project in International Relations	
Emma Liakas	Public Relations - Erika Schneider
Using Applied Public Relations to Execute the OttoTHON 2024 Campaign	
Samantha Lindell	Broadcast and Digital Journalism - Jim Osman
How the Media Creates Rising Stars	
Rory Livingston	Inclusive Elementary & Special Education - George Theoharis
Real Stories, Real Math: An Educator's Guide to Using Children's Books in Math Instruction	
Philip Lockitt	Advertising - Beth Egan
Zero-Party Data: Why Advertisers Should be Comfortable Sharing Data Sovereignty	
Honorata Lubecka	Mechanical Engineering - Shalabh Maroo
Energy-Efficient Water Desalination by Nanofiltration	

Lila MacKinnon

Communication & Rhetorical Studies - Erin Rand

Unveiling the Unseen: Black Women's Influence on Hip-Hop Fashion and Culture

Lucio Maffei

Political Philosophy - Grant Reeher

Personal Identity, Punishment, and Reward: Rethinking Who We Are and What We Deserve

Deva Mark

Chemistry - Rachel Steinhardt

Synthesis and Application of Photoaffinity Probes to Study the Dopamine Receptor D2 Interactome and its Forensic Implications

Madelin De Jesus Martinez

Policy Studies - Austin Zwick

Exploring the Impact and Effectiveness of Syracuse University's Summer Bridge Program (Summer Start) in Preparing Incoming Students for College Success: A Participant-Centered Perspective

Amanda Marzouk

Biology - Jeffrey Amack

The Role of Actomyosin Contractility in Regulating Proliferation of Left-Right Organizer Cells in the Zebrafish Embryo

Molly Matheson

Environmental Engineering

An Honors Thesis Project in Environmental Engineering

T. Mitchell Mazza

Neuroscience - Stephen Glatt

An Analysis of 'Effort' and Psychopathology in Children: Imputation of Brain-Region-Specific Gene-Expression Levels with BrainGENIE

Isabela Mcdonald

Public Health - Maureen Thompson

The Effects of Health Disparities on Infant Mortality Rates in the Northeast Region of Brazil

Creagan Mee

Public Health - Maureen Thompson

Assessing the Causes of Preterm Births and the Effectiveness of Interventions for Reducing Preterm Birth Rates

Jahnvi Mehta

Public Relations - Kelly Gaggin

Shaping Congressional Gender Policy: The Evolutionary Role of Social Media, Interest Groups, and Social Movements

Katherine Miles

Linguistic Studies - Rania Habib

Judgmental Perspectives/Perceptions of Foreign Languages/Foreign Language Speakers

Kendra Miller

Aerospace Engineering - Jackie Anderson

Small-Scale Wind for Rooftop Applications

Monisha Mohan

Finance - James Seward

Lessons Learned, Skills Gained: A Reflection on Internship Experiences

Romi Moller

Architecture

Building Oddities

Aaron Mooney

Marketing Management - E. Scott Lathrop

The Legacy of Tobacco Advertising in Formula 1

Jovanni Mosca

Computer Science - Wenliang Du

The InterPlanetary File System in an Emulated Internet Environment

Amani Moses Sociology - Amy Lutz
Dollars and Sense: Analyzing the Success of Small Business Owners Relative to Upbringing

Brendan Murty Aerospace Engineering - Jackie Anderson
ConCurrent: Renewable Energy Generation from Concrete Sidewalks

Yasmin Nayrouz English & Textual Studies - Ethan Madarieta
Threats, Victims, and Survivors: The Racialized Gendering of Syrian Refugees and Literary Contestations of Dominant Media Narratives

Zikora Nnam Public Health - Sandra Lane
The Effect of Lead Poisoning in New York State on African American Health Disparities

Elizabeth Nowinski Film - Alex Mendez Giner
"A+": A Film

Motolani Oladitan Information Management & Technology - Bruce Kingma
Championing African Beauty and Wellness on the Global Stage: *Tà Beautie's Mission to Empower Entrepreneurs, Promote Cultural Pride, and Redefine Mainstream Perceptions*

Sean O'Toole Chemical Engineering
An Honors Thesis Project in Chemical Engineering

Tess Palin Nutrition - Chaya Charles
A Review of the Literature: The Greatest Predictor of Success and Failure in Anorexia Nervosa Recovery in Adolescent Girls

Marjorie Parker Anthropology - Guido Pezzarossi
Miners, Mothers, or Medicine Women? An Analysis of the Significance and Origin of Clay Pipe Remains at the Gratiots Grove Site

Brendan Parlee Physics - Walter Freeman
Examination of the Impact of Targeted Remediation on Student Outcomes in Introductory Physics

Jaya Patel Business Analytics - John Torrens
A Whitman Student's Guide to Navigating Professional Development

Henry Paul Political Science - Sarah Pralle
Gubernatorial Agendas and Carbon Policy Evolution

Mariana Perez Lugo Nutrition Science - Latha Ramalingam
Fish Oil Improves Offspring Metabolic Health of Paternal Obese Mice by Targeting Adipose Tissue

Richard Perrins Magazine, News & Digital Journalism - Greg Munno
How Independent Student Journalists are Uniquely Positioned to Fill Gaps in Reporting

Madeline Pietrowski Biology - David Althoff
Investigating The Interaction Between ITKSH2 and SLP76 Based Peptides

Gabrielle Pinkney Music Industry - Martha Sutter
This is Our Story, This is Our Song: An Introductory Series on the World of Opera for Underrepresented Youth

Jediel Ponnudurai Architecture - Hannibal Newsom
FORM FOLLOWS MEMORY: *Exploring Architecture's Dual Role as Space and Memorial*

Olivia Porrill Architecture - Julie Larsen
Intentional Communities, Counterculture, and Alternative Living: America's Return to Communal Living -
A Study of Modern Intentional Communities in Hyde Park, Chicago

Brandon Porter Music Industry - Todd Herreman
Bridging the Gap: The Intersection of AI and Music

Abby Presson Magazine, News & Digital Journalism - Greg Munno
Political Activity and Motivating Factors in Areas of Strong Party Dominance

Kazi Rafee Aerospace Engineering - Douglas Yung
An Honors Thesis Project in Aerospace Engineering

Grace Rankin Architecture - Marcos Parga
NTERJECTION! How do we work...and why?

Amelia Reis Inclusive Elementary & Special Education - George Theoharis
Intersections of Multilingual Aphasia Rehabilitation and Inclusive Pedagogy: An Autoethnography

Rachel Renzi Retail Management - Ray Wimer
A Dive into the Retail Industry as a Merchandising Buying Intern at Macy's Inc.

Maria Rodriguez Rexach Museum Studies - Juan Juarez
Tal Como Es: An Exhibition: The Grotesque Through the Imaginations of Francisco Goya & Carlos
Quintana

Jacqueline Rim Biology - Heidi Hehnly
The Garden of HeLa
HeLa Cells: Bridging Biomedical Advancements, Unveiling Racial Disparities, and Confronting Ethical
Frontiers

Connor Ritchie Mathematics - David Althoff
An Honors Thesis Project in Mathematics

Emily Saad Advertising - Kevin O'Neill
Climate Change is Sexist: Cutting Through Compassion Fatigue

Katarina Sako Biology - Sandra Hewett
Stimulation of Piezo1 Induces Astrocyte Dysfunction and Matrix Stiffening Under Glaucomatous
Conditions

Isabella Sanchez Inclusive Elementary & Special Education - George Theoharis
Addressing Discrimination in the Classroom: An Autoethnography of a Future Educator

Alexander Segarra Computer Engineering - Qinru Qiu
Navigating Beyond Sight: Assessing the Societal and Environmental Influence of the Haptic Feedback
and Machine Learning Cane for the Visually Impaired

Phoebe Sessler Film - Alex Mendez-Giner
The Salamander Fairy Princess

Riona Sheik Women in Iraq: The Real Victims of the U.S. Occupation	International Relations - Osamah Khalil
Jeremy Shinder "Theo's Tears"	Film - Sandy Siquier
Maya Angela Simms Ouroboric Matter: Exhibiting the Material Properties of a Flax-Chitosan Composite	Architecture - Kiana Dadgar
Alena Slak Grit's Impact on Academic Impairment in College Students with ADHD Symptoms	Psychology - Kevin Antshel
Matthew Snyder Attachment Security Priming, Mindful Self-Care Behavior, and Sleep in University Students	Psychology - Katherine Kidwell
Ryan St Jean Turkey's Tightrope: Understanding Turkey's Ability to Maintain Productive Relations with Both the West and Russia During the AK Party Era	International Relations - Osamah Khalil
Hannah Starorypinski 21st Century US Right Wing Rhetoric Evolution and the Effects of Populism	Political Science - Erin Herd
Sophia Stokoe An Honors Thesis Project in English	English - Katherine Kidd
Anjum Suchita Fermenting Futures	Architecture - Kiana Memarandadgar
Adrian Suci Critical Statement: Cumulative Undergraduate Architecture Portfolio	Architecture - Iman Fayyad
Marco Svolinsky Effects of Synthetic Jet Actuation on Wingtip Vortices through Computational Fluid Dynamics	Aerospace Engineering - Mehmet Sarimurat
Alexis Taliento Creating Value Through Trust and Transparency in Financial Communications and Investor Relations: The Absolute Need and Strategic End Results	Public Relations - Kelly Gaggin
Anna Terzaghi Myth, Memorial, and the Making of a Nation: The ANZAC Legend in Australian Culture	Anthropology - Shannon Novak
Gina Tette "Our Glorious Republic:" The Visual and Verbal White Supremacist Rhetoric of the January 6th Insurrection	Political Science - Rachel Hall
Amelia Thibault Physical, Social, and Restrictive Accessibility of Urban Green Space in Philadelphia	Geography - Timur Hammond
Athena Traver Waste to Welfare: Leveraging Too Good To Go to Mitigate Food Waste and Food Insecurity in the City of Syracuse	Public Relations - Carrie Welsh

William Treolar Money and Justice: The Correlation Between Opinions on the Criminal Justice System and Wealth	Policy Studies - Austin Zwick
Alaina Triantafilledes The Snake	Creative Writing - Jonathan Dee
Alem Tukic Quartz-in-garnet Thermobarometry	Earth Sciences - Jay Thomas
Evan Tulsy Targeting the Soleus and Quadricep Muscles Using Powered Robotic Rehabilitation Devices and Neuromuscular Control	Mechanical Engineering - Victor Duenas
Riley Turner A Friend for Life: Examining how Transitional Objects are Given Meaning	Anthropology - Guido Pezzarossi
Cody VanNostrand An Experimental Study of Batoid Fin Oscillation Efficiency	Aerospace Engineering - Kasey Laurent
Heaven Vega The Effectiveness of Implementing Mindfulness Practices to Traditional Stuttering Treatment to Improve Speech Fluency	Communication Sciences and Disorders - Jamie Desjardins
Riley Very Breaking the Stereotypical Type Cast: Navigating the Effects of Type Casting as a Performing Artist	Musical Theatre - Kathleen Wrinn
Anna Villarreal-Levy Flexoskeletal	Architecture
Iona Volynets The Diversity of National Memory in Post-Soviet States	History - Junko Takeda
Riley Wall A Summer at PricewaterhouseCoopers	Accounting - Kofi Okyere
Madison Wallace The Effects of Exercise on Cyclooxygenase-2 and the Seizure Threshold	Biochemistry - James Wallace
Franklin Wang Examining Algorithmic Bias Toward Racial Minorities in New Media	Magazine, News & Digital Journalism - Jodi Upton
Emily Weaver Granite Crystallization Conditions: Defining a New Paradigm	Earth Sciences - Jay Thomas
Alexis Wilner Creating A More Inclusive Industry: A Guide to Supporting Disabled Theatre Artists in Production Disciplines	Disability Studies - Christine Ashby
Galina Yakubovich Investigating Major Sperm Protein Expression in a <i>C. elegans</i> Poly(U) Polymerase Mutant	Biology - Eleanor Maine
Ciara Young The Silent Few: An Ethnographic Study of Gender Perceptions and Relations in the Local Esports Community	Anthropology - Kyrstin Mallon Andrews

Dabar Zarzuela Jr

Expression and Characterization of *Drosophila* POLR1D Isoforms in Schneider S2 Cells

Biology - Bruce Knutson

Noor Zamamiri

Modifying Hemicellulose Biosynthesis for Improved Enzymatic Hydrolysis in *Populus tremula x alba*

Biology - Heather Coleman

Han Zhang

Fashion Activism

Advertising

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Meets the eastern sky,
Proudly stands our Alma Mater
On her hilltop high.

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Old Syracuse, o'er thee,
Loyal be thy sons and daughters
To thy memory.

Junius W. Stevens
Class of 1895

ABOUT RENEE CROWN



Renée Schine Crown is among Syracuse University's most esteemed alumnae. She graduated from Syracuse University with a B.A. in fine arts in 1950. She and her husband, Lester Crown, moved to Chicago shortly after graduation and began lives of exemplary public service and civic engagement. The primary funding for the center came from her gift in honor of her parents, Hildegard and J. Meyer Schine. She continued her work on behalf of the University, serving the Board of Trustees on its Executive Committee and University Relations Committee, and on the College of Arts and Sciences Board of Visitors. She played a major role in the University's "Campaign for Syracuse" and "Commitment to Learning" campaign in the 1980s and 1990s.

For this work and for her continuing commitment to Syracuse University, she has received the College of Arts and Sciences Distinguished Alumnae Award, the George Arent's Pioneer Medal, and the Chancellor's Medal for Outstanding Achievement. In 1984, she received an honorary doctorate from Syracuse University.