



**CASE WESTERN RESERVE
UNIVERSITY**

ThinkForum

MONDAY, AUGUST 19, 2024

University Welcome and Fall Convocation featuring
the Elaine G. Hadden Distinguished Author

Daisy Hernández

Program

University Welcome

Eric W. Kaler

President, Case Western Reserve University

Presentation of the Class of 2028

Robert McCullough

Assistant Vice President for Enrollment

Dean of Undergraduate Admission

Remarks

Joy K. Ward

Provost and Executive Vice President

Amman Spencer (CWR '25)

President, Undergraduate Student Government

Address

Daisy Hernández

Elaine G. Hadden Distinguished Visiting Author

Remarks

Dean Fazekas (SAS '91)

President, The Alumni Association

Alma Mater

Orientation Leader Choir

Closing Remarks

Eric W. Kaler

President, Case Western Reserve University



Daisy Hernández

Elaine G. Hadden Distinguished Author

Daisy Hernández is the author of *The Kissing Bug: A True Story of a Family, an Insect, and a Nation's Neglect of a Deadly Disease* (Tin House, 2021), which won the PEN/Jean Stein Book Award and was selected as an inaugural title for the National Book Foundation's Science + Literature Program. The book was named a top 10 nonfiction book of 2021 by *TIME* magazine and was a finalist for the New American Voices Award. She has spoken about the subject of her book—neglected disease and racial disparities in healthcare—on MSNBC and also with the Carter Center and the Pan American Health Organization.

She has received fellowships from MacDowell, Bread Loaf Writer's Conference, the Rona Jaffe Foundation, Djerassi Artist-in-Residence, Blue Mountain Center, and Hedgebrook, and she currently serves on the board of the Barbara Deming Memorial Fund. She is an Associate Professor of Creative Writing at Northwestern University.



Elaine G. Hadden

Cleveland philanthropist and civic activist
Elaine G. Hadden's long record of distinguished service to Case Western Reserve University extended well beyond her role as a valued member of the university's Board of Trustees from 1976 to 2003. She believed Case Western Reserve's breakthroughs and intellectual contributions directly benefit all of Northeast Ohio, and during her life she remained one of the institution's most outspoken advocates.

In 2012, she established the Elaine G. Hadden Distinguished Visiting Author Fund to support presentations by the author of the book featured each year as the university's common reading. Her generous gift serves as an enduring reminder of her unwavering support of the university and love of creative endeavors.

University Leadership

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Dean, Case School of Engineering

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Deputy Provost for Academic Strategic Initiatives

Joy Ward

Provost and Executive Vice President

Molly Watkins

Dean of Undergraduate Advising Support

Peter Whiting

Interim Dean, College of Arts and Sciences

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Shine on, forever,
Case Western Reserve.
Loyal and true are we (are we).
Your brave sons and daughters,
Your knowledge we use
To make our mark on history.

Our school days we'll cherish
forever more,
A lifetime of friends from the
start (the start).
Shine on, forever,
Case Western Reserve.
You'll be forever in our hearts.

Scott Miller (CWR '90, LAW '93)

UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday, September 19, 2024

Inamori Ethics Prize Symposium and Ceremony featuring Dr. Anthony Fauci
Maltz Performing Arts Center

Friday, September 27 - Sunday, September 29

Parent and Family Weekend

Monday, October 28 - Friday, November 1, 2024

Innovation Week

November 14-17, 2024

Homecoming

Tuesday, December 3, 2024

Think Forum featuring Billy Collins
Maltz Performing Arts Center

Friday, January 24, 2025

MLK Convocation featuring Valerie Jarrett
Tinkham Veale University Center

For details on these events and more,
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