

MC: Ladies and gentlemen, if you would please take your seats, coronation ceremony will begin in 5 minutes.

[DJ fades music out]

MC: Good evening Bison family, friends, faculty, visiting courts, the 2017-2018 Howard University Royal Court, and the prestigious Mr. and Miss Howard University. Tonight, we have assembled for the momentous occasion that will honor and commemorate our illustrious Misters and Misses who have been chosen to represent their respective schools and colleges, and the eminent and beloved Mister and Miss Howard University. Here at Howard University, resides the pinnacle of Black Excellence. It is with our motto, "Truth and Service", that we, as Bison, serve our communities with enthusiasm and grace. Nowhere at this university, will you find a more dedicated group of students to preserving and serving Howard University, than here within the Royal Court. It is my honor to share in this celebration with you, as we coronate sesquicentennial Royal Court. Ladies and gentlemen, without further ado, "Welcome to an unforgettable night in Harlem"

MC: Ladies and gentlemen, please rise for the entrance of the Howard University 2017-2018 Royal Court.

[Drummers play]

MC: Presenting, Avery Johnson and Kayla Waysome, Mr. and Miss School of Business

[SOB Enters]

MC: Presenting, Tremon Mills and Abiola Oladele, Mr. and Miss College of Arts and Sciences

[COAS Enters]

MC: Presenting, Brandon Allen and Miana Massey, Mr. and Miss School of Communications

[SOC Enters]

[CEA Enters]

MC: Presenting, Jeremiah Smith and J'Lyn Henderson , Mr. and Miss School of Education

[SOE Enters]

MC: Presenting, Arthur McGahee and Nyja Rivers, Mr. and Miss College of Nursing and Allied Health Sciences

[CNAHS Enters]

MC: Presenting, Vincent Roofe III and Morganne Veal, Mr. and Miss College of Engineering and Architecture

[CEA Enters]

MC: Presenting, Jaquan Solomon and Calah McQuaters, Mr. and Miss Freshmen

[Freshmen Enter]

MC: I present to you the 2017-2018 Howard University Royal Court.

[Pause for applause]

[Isaiah Music begins]

MC: Ladies and gentlemen, I present to your sesquicentennial king, the 41st Mr. Howard University, Isaiah Quadir Reed.

[Audience and Royal Court applauds]

[Victoria's Music Begins]

MC: And now, ladies and gentlemen, please join me in welcoming your sesquicentennial queen your 79th Miss Howard University, Victoria Gabrielle Grimes

MC: Ladies and gentlemen join me in a round of applause for Mr. and Miss Howard, and the 2017-2018 Royal Court.

[Audience applauds, drummers play]

MC: Please be seated. The 2017-2018 Royal Court will now present a dance to honor Mr. and Miss Howard University.

[Queue music, Royal Court dance starts]

[Dance ends]

MC: That was a beautiful gift. Ladies and gentlemen, another round of applause for the Royal Court.

[Audience applauds]

MC: And now, a selection from: Afro Blue
[Performer presents, audience applauds]

MC: Thank you for that beautiful performance.

MC: And now the Court will present Mr. and Miss Howard with gifts and words of encouragement.

[Performance ends]

MC: Thank you. And now introducing Rev Cecil Duffie, assistant dean of the chapel.

Food Blessor: [Blesses Food]

MC: Please wait to be dismissed to get food

[DJ Se plays music]

Food Break

MC: At this time, I would like for the members of visiting courts to please stand and be acknowledged.

[Visiting courts stand to be acknowledged]

MC: *list the titles of visiting court members*

[Audience applauds]

MC: Thank you for those kind words [pause for audience applause] The friends of Mr. Howard University offer these kind words

MC: Bison friends and family, please put your hands together for Kaya Camp.

[Audience applauds, Singer performs]

Ayanna Shepherd speaks

Jaylen Wilson speaks

** speaks**

MC: And now, if please join me in welcoming friends of Mr. and Miss Howard for kind words.

[Personal remarks speakers take the floor]

[Audience applauds]

Toni Jenkins speaks

Keona Wynnes speaks

Lauren Franklin speaks

MC: Ladies and gentlemen, please put your hands together for Gernisha Parnell,
administrative advisor to the Royal Court

[Applause, Ms. Parnell approaches stage]

[Ms. Parnell gives speech]

[Applause, he exits]

MC: Ladies and gentlemen, please put your hands together for Nia Butler,
the Royal Court Coordinator.

[Applause, Nia approaches stage]

[Nia gives speech]

MC: Thank you for those kind words

[pause for audience applause]

And now, ladies and gentlemen, please prepare for the sashing of the 2017-2018 Royal Court by Mr. and Miss Howard University,

[Applause, court prepares for sashing]

MC: Jaquan Solomon and Calah Mcquaters

[Freshman crowned and sashed]

MC: I present to you the 2017-2018 Mr. and Miss Freshman

[Freshman walk down the aisle as the court bows]

MC: Jeremiah Smith and J'lyn Henderson

[SOE crowned and sashed]

MC: I present to you the 2017-2018 Mr. and Miss School of Education

[SOE walks down the aisle as the court bows]

MC: Vincent Roofe III and Morganne Veale

[CEA crowned and sashed]

MC: I present to you the 2017-2018 Mr. and Miss College or Engineering and Architecture

[CEA walks down the aisle as court bows]

MC: Arthur McGahee and Nyja Rivers

[CNAHS crowned and sashed]

MC: I present to you the 2017-2018 Mr. and Miss College of Nursing and Allied Health Sciences

[CNAHS walks down the aisle as the court bows]

[SOB walks down the aisle as the court bows]

MC: Brandon Allen and Miana Massey

[SOC crowned and sashed]

MC: I present to you the 2017-2018 Mr. and Miss School of Communications

[SOC walks down the aisle as court bows]

MC: Tremon Mills and Abiola Oladele

[COAS crowned and sashed]

MC: I present to you the 2017-2018 Mr. and Miss College of Arts and Sciences

[COAS walks down aisle as and joins court]

MC: Avery Johnson and Kayla Waysome

[SOB crowned and sashed]

MC: I present to you the 2017-2018 Mr. and Miss School of Business

MC: Ladies and gentlemen the Howard University 2017-2018 Royal Court

[Applause, court smiles and waves then returns to their seat]

MC: Bison family, friends, family, and Royal Visitors please welcome Mr. and Miss Howard for their remarks.

MC: And now, I welcome to the stage, VP Holmes for the swearing of the Royal Court Oath.

[Applause, VP HOLMES take the floor]

VP Holmes: The purpose of the positions of Mr. and Miss Howard University shall be to embody and exude scholarship, leadership and positive character.

Isaiah and Victoria, will you please stand, raise your right hand and repeat after me:

VP HOLMES: I (insert name), do solemnly swear to positively represent and regard Howard University in all arenas.

(response repeat)

VP HOLMES: As Mr. and Miss Howard University

(response repeat)

VP HOLMES: I will fully execute my respective platform

(response repeat)

VP HOLMES: Through programming for Howard University and the surrounding DC Community.

(response repeat)

VP HOLMES: Most importantly,

(response repeat)

VP HOLMES: I commit myself to officially represent Howard University at all times.

MC: Mr. and Miss Howard University will now be crowned by the 2016-2017 Mr. and Miss Howard, Jalen Saunders and Victoria Gray

[Jalen and Victoria enter the stage, crown and sash Isaiah and Victoria]

MC: I present to you, Isaiah Reed and Victoria Grimes. The 2017-2018 Mr. and Miss Howard University.

[Applause]

MC: Tonight has been a wondrous celebration, a night filled with black excellence. From the visiting courts who have graced us with their presence, to the distinguished members of our own Royal Court led graciously by our very own Mr. and Miss Howard. I speak for all of the members of the Bison community when I say we are proud and honored to have this court serve our university, in truth and service, as they so eloquently do. It has been my honor to serve as your host tonight, and I hope you all have enjoyed the 2017 Coronation Ball. Thank you all for attending” and I present to you the 2017-2018 Mr. and Miss Howard University for their first dance.

[DJ plays “Superpower” by Beyonce, Isaiah and Victoria exit stage to the dance floor]

[Song changes as Royal Court joins in]

