

## MIT Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Leadership Award Recipients

Since 1995, MIT has awarded the annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Leadership Award to students, alumni, staff, groups and faculty who embody the spirit of Dr. King's work.

"Service to the community" is defined in the broadest sense and includes academic, research, religious, and secular contributions in which integrity, leadership, creativity, and positive outcome are apparent.

The MLK Celebration Lifetime Achievement Award is a special honor given only during decennial celebrations to acknowledge a community member who has given dedicated service to the MIT Community.

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### **2016**

#### **Ethan Zuckerman**

Director, MIT Center for Civic Media  
Cofounder, Global Voices

#### **Barbara A. Johnson**

IT Service Provider & Consumer Support Engineer, MIT Information Systems & Technology

#### **Rasheed K. Auguste '17**

Nuclear Science & Engineering  
Political Action Co-chair, Black Student Union

#### **George Chao 'G**

Harvard-MIT Health Sciences and Technology

#### **La-Tarri M. Canty**

Director of Multicultural Programs/Assistant Director of Student Activities  
MIT Student Activities Office

#### **Fossil Free MIT**

#### **MIT Black Graduate Student Union**

## **2015**

### **Michel DeGraff**

Professor of Linguistics, Department of Linguistics and Philosophy

### **Abigail M. Francis**

Director of LBGT Services, Student Development and Support

### **Judith Stein**

Organization Development Consultant/HR ERG Coordinator  
MIT Human Resources Department

### **Kelvin Frazier** PhD '15

Physical Chemistry

### **Alyssa Napier** '16

Chemistry

### **Adriane Brown** SM '91

President and Chief Operating Officer, Intellectual Ventures

## **2014**

### **Sally Haslanger**

Ford Professor of Philosophy, Department of Linguistics and Philosophy

### **Michael K. Owu** '86

Director of Real Estate, MIT Investment Management Company

### **Atif M. Javed** '15

Materials Science and Engineering

### **The Hispanic/Latino Network**

### **Lincoln Laboratories**

#### **Wesley L. Harris** - *MLK Lifetime Achievement Award*

Charles Stark Draper Professor of Aeronautics & Astronautics

Department of Aeronautics and Astronautics

1995-96 MLK Visiting Professor

2001 MLK Leadership Award

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## **2013**

### **Colin “Topper” Carew**

Filmmaker/Artist

Visiting Scholar/Researcher, MIT Media Lab

### **Priscilla King Gray**

Co-founder, MIT Public Service Center

Honorary Chair (2004-2012), MIT Women's League

MIT First Lady 1980–1990

### **Jocelyn O. Joseph, M.D.**

Chief of Pediatrics, MIT Medical

### **Bomy Lee Chung 'G**

Chemical Engineering, MIT Langer Lab

### **Uddhav Sharma '15**

Mathematics

### **WMBR 88.1 FM**

MIT Student Radio Station

## **2012**

### **Edmund Bertschinger**

Professor and Head, Physics Department

### **Arnold R. Henderson, Jr.**

Associate Dean and Co-Director, Student Support Services

### **Alyce Johnson**

Manager of Staff Diversity and Inclusion, Human Resources

### **Julia Jaskólska '13**

Materials Science and Engineering

### **Cato T. Laurencin, MD PhD '87**

Orthopedic Surgeon

Chemical Engineering & Dean of School of Medicine, University of Connecticut

### **MIT-Wellesley Upward Bound Program**

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## **2011**

### **Cheryl Charles**

Fiscal Officer, Research Laboratory of Electronics

### **Weslee S. Glenn** PhD '13

Chemistry

### **Debroah Hodges-Pabón**

Personnel and Operations Administrator, Microsystems Technology Laboratories (MTL)

## **MITES Program**

## **2010**

### **Melvin H. King**

Senior Lecturer, Emeritus, Department of Urban Studies and Planning (DUSP)

### **Michael G. Johnson** MCP '97

Senior VP in Real Estate, Brick City Development Corp.

### **Aisha N. Walcott** PhD '11

Electrical Engineering and Computer Science

### **Benjamin Mensah** '11

MIT Sloan School of Management

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## **2009**

### **Barry Reckley**

Assistant Director in Minority Recruitment and Retention, MIT Sloan School of Management

### **Deborah Liverman**

Assistant Director, Global Education and Career Development Center

### **Christine Ortiz**

Associate Professor, Department of Materials Science and Engineering

### **John Essigmann '72, PhD '76**

Professor of Chemistry, Toxicology, and Biological Engineering

Associate Head, MIT Department of Chemistry

Housemaster, Simmons Hall

### **Jason C. Forte '09**

Management, MIT Sloan

### **Aisha A. Bobb-Semple '09**

Biological Engineering

## **2008**

### **Michael S. Feld '63, SM '63, PhD '67**

Professor of Physics

Director, George R. Harrison Spectroscopy Laboratory

Former Chair, MIT Equal Opportunity Committee

### **Leo Osgood, Jr.**

Former MIT Head Basketball Coach

Former Director, Office of Minority Education (OME)

Former Associate Dean for Undergraduate Education

### **Lorlene Hoyt**

Assistant Professor, Department of Urban Studies and Planning (DUSP)

Director, MIT@Lawrence Program

### **Zina Queen**

Administrative Assistant, George R. Harrison Spectroscopy Laboratory

### **Ali S. Wyne '08**

Management

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## **2007**

### **Isaac M. Colbert**

MIT Dean for Graduate Students

### **S. Michelle Harton** MSEE '83

Founder, MathCon

Senior Staff Engineer, Motorola Inc.

### **Austin V. Harton** '78, SM '79, PhD '88

Founder, MathCon

Physics Professor, Chicago State University

### **La Tonya Green** MCP '00, PhD '12

Department of Urban Studies (DUSP)

### **Nathaniel Gerald**

## **2006**

### **Charles M. Vest**

Professor of Mechanical Engineering

MIT President Emeritus (1990-2004)

### **Acia Adams-Heath**

Fiscal Officer, MIT Microsystems Technology Laboratories

### **Oluwamuyiwa Olubuyide** '96, PhD '06

Electrical Engineering

## **2005**

### **James L. Sherley**

Associate Professor, Biological Engineering

### **James S. Banks** '76

Recruitment for Hewlett-Packard and Agilent

Member, Industrial Advisory Council for Minority Education

### **Russell E. (Erich) Caulfield** SM '01, PhD '06

Electrical Engineering and Computer Science

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## **2004**

### **J. Phillip Thompson**

Associate Professor, Department of Urban Studies and Planning (DUSP)  
2000-02 MLK Visiting Professor, Department of Urban Studies and Planning (DUSP)

### **Blanche E. Staton**

MIT Associate Dean for Graduate Students

### **LaRuth C. McAfee** PhD '05

Chemical Engineering

### **Salvatore J. Molica** '75

Medical Director, Codman Square Health Center

## **2003**

### **Jonathan A. King**

Professor, Molecular Biology

### **Hector H. Hernández** PhD '08

Chemistry/Structural Biology

### **Chiquita V. White** '85

Process Engineer, Proctor and Gamble Co.

## **2002**

### **Paul E. Gray** '54, SM '55, ScD '60

President of MIT, 1980-90

### **Cheryl Vossmer**

MIT Campus Police Sergeant

### **Randal D. Pinkett** SM '98, MBA '98, PhD'02

CEO, Building Community with Technology

### **Tamara S. Williams** SM '00, PhD '06

Electrical Engineering and Computer Science

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## **2001**

### **Wesley L. Harris**

Goldwater Professor of American Institutions, Arizona State University  
1995-96 MLK Visiting Professor, MIT Department of Aeronautics and Astronautics

### **Harvey B. Gantt MCP '70**

Partner, Gantt Huberman Architects  
1999-2000 MLK Visiting Professor, MIT Department of Architecture

### **Desiree Ramirez '02**

Chemical Engineering

## **2000**

### **Rafael Bras '72, SM '74, PhD '75**

Head, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering  
Bacardi-Stockholm Water Foundations Professor

### **Woodrow Whitlow Jr. '74, SM '75, PhD '79**

Director, Aeronautics Directorate at the NASA Glenn Research Center

### **Ticora V. Jones '00**

Materials Science and Engineering

## **1999**

### **Alexander Slocum '82, SM '83, PhD '85**

Professor of Mechanical Engineering

### **Richard Williamson '85**

Math Teacher, Boston Public Schools

### **Adriana L. Holguin '99**

Mechanical Engineering

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## **1998**

**Lynda M. Jordan** PhD '85  
MIT MLK Visiting Professor  
Associate Professor of Chemistry, North Carolina A&T State University

**Eto Otitigbe** '99  
Senior Co-chair, Chocolate City  
MIT List Foundation Fellow

**Tobie F. Weiner**  
Undergraduate Administrator  
Department of Political Science  
Instructor, IAP Design Seminar

## **1997**

**Sylvester James Gates, Jr.** '73, PhD '77  
Professor of Physics, University of Maryland

**Myra Rodrigues**  
Retired Social Worker, MIT Medical Department

**MIT Committee on Campus Race Relations**

## **1996**

**Matthew J. Turner** '96  
Architecture and Mechanical Engineering

**Leon Trilling**  
Professor Emeritus, Department of Aeronautics and Astronautics

**Shirley A. Jackson** '68, PhD '73  
Physicist  
Chairperson, Nuclear Regulatory Commission

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**1995**

**Robert W. Mann**

Professor Emeritus, Mechanical Engineering

**Cynthia R. McIntyre** PhD '90

Theoretical Physicist

**American Indian Science and Engineering Society (AISES)**

**National Society of Black Engineers (NSBE)**

**Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers (SHPE)**

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