



**Media Advisory**

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**Los Angeles Trade-Technical College Hosts 98<sup>th</sup> Annual Commencement Ceremony Featuring Keynote Speaker Karen Bass, Mayor of Los Angeles on Tuesday, June 6, 2023**

**Annual event will celebrate more than 800 Graduates at USC's Galen Center**



**WHAT:**

(Los Angeles, CA—June 6, 2023) Los Angeles Technical-Trade College (LATTC) will host its 98th annual commencement ceremony this evening, Tuesday, June 6, 2023 at 6 pm, and is pleased to welcome Los Angeles Mayor Karen Bass as the ceremony's keynote speaker. Mayor Bass is the 43rd mayor of Los Angeles and the first woman and second African American to be elected as the city's chief executive.

This year's commencement, *Your Dream is Now*, hopes to inspire and celebrate more than 800 LATTC graduates as they make their mark in our city, community, and region.

The college also looks forward to welcoming **Los Angeles Community College District (LACCD) Chancellor Francisco Rodriguez** and **LACCD Trustee Sara Hernandez** as distinguished guests.

**WHEN:**

Tuesday, June 6, 2023 at 6:00 pm

**WHERE:**

Galen Center  
3400 S. Figueroa St.  
Los Angeles, CA 90089

Media may enter through the staff and media entrance on the east side of

the Galen Center.

**WHO:**

LATTC welcomes **Los Angeles Mayor Karen Bass** as its 2023 Commencement keynote speaker.

A daughter of Los Angeles, Mayor Bass was raised with her three brothers in the Venice/Fairfax neighborhood and is a proud graduate of Hamilton High School. After serving as a front-line healthcare provider as a nurse and as a Physician Assistant, Mayor Bass founded the Community Coalition to organize the predominantly Black and Latino residents of South LA against substance abuse, poverty and crime, and to pioneer strategies to address the root causes behind the challenges faced by underserved neighborhoods.

She then went on to represent Los Angeles in the State Assembly and was elected by her peers to serve as Speaker, making her the first African American woman to ever lead a state legislative body in the history of the United States. Her time in leadership intersected with the Great Recession, and she was honored with the John F. Kennedy Profile in Courage Award for reaching across party lines and making tough decisions to keep the state from bankruptcy while protecting vital services.

While representing Los Angeles and Culver City in Congress, Mayor Bass helped protect small businesses during the pandemic, created policy to drive local jobs from federal infrastructure funding, and led the passage of what the Los Angeles Times called *“the most significant child welfare policy reform in decades.”*

Mayor Bass earned her bachelor's degree in health sciences from CSU Dominguez Hills before graduating from the USC Keck School of Medicine Physician Assistant Program and earning her masters degree in social work from USC.

**About LATTC**

Located just south of downtown Los Angeles, Los Angeles Trade-Technical College (LATTC) is one of nine public community colleges in the Los Angeles Community College District (LACCD). Established in 1925, the college offers more than 80 career-technical programs that move students into careers in two years or less. In addition to an unmatched selection of quality career programs, LATTC prepares students for transfer, with 18 CSU transfer degrees, and transfer guarantee programs with the University of California and local private and independent colleges and universities.

**Location:** 400 West Washington Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90015

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