

Morehouse Legend to Speak at Dillard University's 139th Founder's Day Convocation

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(New Orleans) — Chapel Dean of Morehouse College in Atlanta, distinguished professor and scholar, Dr. Lawrence Edward Carter, Sr. will deliver the keynote address at Dillard University's 139th Founder's Day Convocation on Sunday, November 16, 2008 at 2 p.m. in Dent Hall on campus at 2601 Gentilly Blvd. The staff expects a full house, as many will gather to reflect on when the university began on June 12, 1869.

Carter has served in a number of capacities at Morehouse since 1979. He is a tenured Professor of Religion and a College Curator. In fact, he is a recognized authority on Benjamin E. Mays, Martin Luther King, Jr., Mahatma Gandhi, and Daisaku Ikeda and curator for the 2,000 square-foot traveling Gandhi, King, Ikeda Peacemakers Exhibit. Carter has been an instructor at the School of Medicine in the Master of Public Health Program. For forty-six years, he has studied and worked in 14 American universities, colleges and professional schools. He has made 500 guest appearances throughout 18 religious denominations, spoke at more than 100 colleges, universities and seminaries and traveled extensively to 35 foreign countries.

"Dr. Carter is dynamic and quite a scholar when it comes to religion, international relations, and higher education," said Marvalene Hughes, Dillard University President. "We are fortunate to have him and I assure you, he will deposit knowledge that is rich and applicable that can and should be used throughout our daily lives."

Throughout Dr. Carter's many accomplishments, he is most proud of Morehouse College's International Hall of Honor. Carter is the founder and sole fundraiser of the museum that consists of 130 original oil portraits of distinguished leaders in the civil and human rights non-violent movement.