

Hail to the chief

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Tulane University President Mike Fitts looks on as colleagues recognize him during his inauguration as the university's 15th president. The ceremony took place Thursday (March 17) in McAlister Auditorium on the uptown campus.

Inauguration delegates in full regalia process down Drill Road prior to the celebration.

The crowd of delegates and attendees gathers outside of McAlister Auditorium for the ceremony.

Students, faculty, staff members, alumni and friends of the university witness the celebration.

Dr. Michael White and the Original Liberty Jazz Band provide musical interludes throughout the event.

In his remarks, President Fitts promises to advance diversity on campus.

A cappella group Green Envy delivers the Tulane Alma Mater as President Fitts sings along.

Trumpeter Greg Staffords with the Liberty Jazz Band plays to the crowd exiting onto the Lavin-Bernick Center Quad.