

**Thursday, April 20, 2017 at 11 AM**

**Lincoln LEAVES Convocation**

**11:00 am Mary Dod Brown Memorial Chapel**

**Guest Speaker: Blake D. Bradford**



Director, Lincoln University-Barnes Foundation Museum Studies Program and Visiting Assistant Professor

**Blake Bradford** serves as Director, Lincoln University-Barnes Foundation Museum Studies Program and Visiting Assistant Professor. In this role, he oversees the development of a practice-based Museum Studies program for Lincoln University undergraduates. This program includes a newly approved major, internships, and an array of opportunities for Lincoln University undergraduates to engage with museum professionals. The goal of the program is to prepare Lincoln students for employment in museums and graduate education in museum-related fields.

Prior to this, he served as The Barnes Foundation's Bernard C. Watson Director of Education. For the Barnes's Merion and Philadelphia campuses, Mr. Bradford oversaw the longstanding programs in Visual Literacy and Horticulture. In addition, he supervised the development and implementation of educational activities that served over 20,000 participants each year. These included a suite of new family and community programs, as well as free initiatives that served pre-K-12 students and educators in the School District of Philadelphia. Mr. Bradford previously directed the education departments at Chicago's Hyde Park Art Center and the Fabric Workshop and Museum. He has also held positions with the Blanton Museum of Art (Austin, Texas); the Philadelphia Museum of Art; the Galleries at Moore College of Art and Design; and the Historical Society of Pennsylvania. He holds a B.A. in Art History from Williams College and a M.A. in Art History from The University of Texas

