

Guidelines to Submit Proposals for the 2011 von Neumann Symposium

Through a bequest from Carroll V. Newson to memorialize the late John von Neumann and his accomplishments, the Society established a quadrennial symposium called the von Neumann Symposium. Subjects of these one-week symposia are to be topics of emerging significance that are expected to underlie future mathematical development. Ideas expressed and shared at these symposia, and the new understandings embodied in the von Neumann proceedings, will reflect exceptional mathematical leadership. Conference topics in this series have included *Quantization and Nonlinear Wave Equations* (1994); *Arithmetic Fundamental Groups and Noncommutative Algebra* (1999); *Symposium on Complex Geometry, Calibrations and Special Holonomy* (2003); and *Sparse Representation and High-Dimensional Geometry* (2007).

Proposals for topics for the 2011 symposium are invited from mathematicians, either singly or in groups. Proposals must include:

- 1) The names and affiliations of proposed members and the chair of the Organizing Committee;
- (2) A two-to-four page narrative addressing the focus of the topic, including its importance and timeliness;
- (3) Estimated attendance;
- (4) A list of recent conferences in the same or closely related areas;
- (5) A tentative list of names and affiliations of the proposed principal speakers; and
- (6) A list of likely candidates who would be invited to participate and their current affiliations.

Proposals should also include how the conference will strive to include mathematicians from underrepresented groups and early career mathematicians.

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