

Reference and Book List

The *Reference* section of the *Notices* is intended to provide the reader with frequently sought information in an easily accessible manner. New information is printed as it becomes available and is referenced after the first printing. As soon as information is updated or otherwise changed, it will be noted in this section.

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Upcoming Deadlines

January 10, 2006: Applications for AAUW Educational Foundation Fellowships and Grants. See http://www.aauw.org/fga/fellowships_grants/selected.cfm or contact the AAUW Educational Foundation, 1111 Sixteenth St., N.W., Washington, DC 20036; telephone 800-326-2289 (AAUW); fax 202-872-1425; email: info@aauw.org.

January 12, 2006: Proposals for ONR Young Investigator Program. See

"Mathematics Opportunities" in this issue.

January 13, 2006: Proposals for NSF Program on Mathematical Sciences: Innovations at the Interface with the Physical and Computer Sciences and Engineering: Chemistry. See the website <http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2005/nsf05622/nsf05622.htm>.

January 15, 2006: Applications for AMS-AAAS Mass Media Fellowships. See <http://www.aaas.org/programs/education/MassMedia/index.shtml>, or contact Stacey Pasco, Manager, Mass Media Program, AAAS Mass Media Science and Engineering Fellows Program, 1200 New York Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20005; telephone 202-326-6441; fax 202-371-9849. Also see the website <http://www.ams.org/government/massmediaann.html> or contact the AMS Washington Office, 1527 Eighteenth Street, NW, Washington, DC 20036; telephone 202-588-1100;

fax: 202-588-1853; email: amsdc@ams.org.

January 26, 2006: Proposals for NSF Scientific Computing Research Environments for the Mathematical Sciences (SCREMS). See the website http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub_summ.jsp?ods_key=nsf05627.

January 27, 2006: Proposals for Partnerships for Adaptation, Implementation, and Dissemination Awards of the NSF ADVANCE Program. See the website http://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=5383.

January 31, 2006: Applications for postdoctoral fellowships at the Institut Mittag-Leffler. See the website <http://www.mittag-leffler.se/grants>.

February 1, 2006: Applications for February review for National Academies Postdoctoral and Senior Research Associateship Programs. See

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February 1, 2006: Applications for AWM Travel Grants and Mentoring Travel Grants. See <http://www.awm-math.org/travelgrants.html>; telephone 703-934-0163; email: awm@math.umd.edu; or contact Association for Women in Mathematics, 11240 Waples Mill Road, Suite 200, Fairfax, VA 22030.

February 10, 2006: Applications for Math for America Foundation Newton Fellowships. See the website <http://www.mathforamerica.org/>.

February 15, 2006: Nominations for Clay Mathematics Institute (CMI) Liftoff Program. See http://claymath.org/fas/liftoff_fellows/; telephone 617-995-2600; email: nominations@claymath.org.

February 28, 2005: Applications for Clay Mathematics Institute (CMI) Summer School. See “Mathematics Opportunities” in this issue.

March 1, 2006: Applications for summer program of the Christine Mirzayan Science and Technology Policy Graduate Fellowship Program of the National Academies. See “Mathematics Opportunities” in this issue.

March 1, 2006: Proposals for NSF Program on Mathematical Sciences: Innovations at the Interface with the Physical and Computer Sciences and Engineering: Computer Science. See the website <http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2005/nsf05622/nsf05622.htm>.

March 1, 2006: Applications for EDGE Program. See the website <http://www.edgeforwomen.org/> or contact the EDGE Program, Department of Mathematics, Bryn Mawr College, 101 North Merion Avenue, Bryn Mawr, PA 19010; email: edge@edgeforwomen.org; telephone 610-876-3527.

March 31, 2006: Nominations for Third World Academy of Sciences Prizes. See <http://www.twas.org/>.

April 7, 2006: Proposals for 2007 NSF-CBMS Regional Conferences. See “Mathematics Opportunities” in this issue.

May 1, 2006, October 1, 2006: Applications for AWM Travel Grants. See <http://www.awm-math.org/travelgrants.html>; telephone 703-

934-0163; email: awm@math.umd.edu; or contact Association for Women in Mathematics, 11240 Waples Mill Road, Suite 200, Fairfax, VA 22030.

June 1, 2006: Applications for fall program of the Christine Mirzayan Science and Technology Policy Graduate Fellowship Program of the National Academies. See “Mathematics Opportunities” in this issue.

MPS Advisory Committee

Following are the names and affiliations of the members of the Advisory Committee for Mathematical and Physical Sciences (MPS) of the National Science Foundation. The date of the expiration of each member’s term is given after his or her name. The website for the MPS directorate may be found at <http://www.nsf.gov/home/mps/>. The postal address is Directorate for the Mathematical and Physical Sciences, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230.

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Book List

The Book List highlights books that have mathematical themes and are aimed at a broad audience potentially including mathematicians, students, and the general public. When a book has been reviewed in the Notices, a reference is given to the review. Generally the list will contain only books published within the last two years, though exceptions may be made in cases where current events (e.g., the death of a prominent mathematician, coverage of a certain piece of mathematics in the news) warrant drawing readers' attention to older books. Suggestions for books to include on the list may be sent to notices-booklist@ams.org.

*Added to "Book List" since the list's last appearance.

A³ & His Algebra: How a Boy from Chicago's West Side Became a Force in American Mathematics, by Nancy E. Albert. iUniverse, Inc., January 2005. ISBN 0-595-32817-2. (Reviewed December 2005.)

Action This Day, edited by Michael Smith and Ralph Erskine. Random House of Canada, February 2003. ISBN 0-593-04910-1.

Beyond Reason: Eight Great Problems That Reveal the Limits of Science, by A. K. Dewdney. Wiley, April 2004. ISBN 0-471-01398-6.

The Book of Presidents. London Mathematical Society, 2005. ISBN 0-950-27341-4.

A Brief History of Infinity, by Paolo Zellini. Penguin Books (paperback), March 2005. ISBN 0-141-00762-1.

The Calculus Gallery: Masterpieces from Newton to Lebesgue, by William Dunham. Princeton University Press, December 2004. ISBN 0-691-09565-5.

Chance: A Guide to Gambling, Love, the Stock Market and Just About Everything Else, by Amir D. Aczel. Thunder's Mouth Press, October 2004. ISBN 1-56858-316-8. (Reviewed August 2005.)

**Change Is Possible: Stories of Women and Minorities in Mathematics*, by Pat Kenschaft. AMS, September 2005. ISBN 0-8218-3748-6.

Coincidences, Chaos, and All That Math Jazz: Making Light of Weighty Ideas, by Edward B. Burger and Michael Starbird. W. W. Norton, August 2005. ISBN 0-393-05945-6.

The Colours of Infinity: The Beauty and Power of Fractals, by Michael Barnsley, Nigel Lesmoir-Gordon, Benoît B. Mandelbrot, Ian Stewart, Gary Flake, Robert Prechter, and Arthur C. Clarke. Clear Press, March 2004. ISBN 1-904-55505-5.

Complexities: Women in Mathematics, edited by Bettye Anne Case and Anne M. Leggett. Princeton University Press, January 2005. ISBN 0-691-11462-5.

Converging Realities: Toward a Common Philosophy of Physics and Mathematics, by Roland Omnès. Princeton University Press, November 2004. ISBN 0-691-11530-3.

The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Nighttime, by Mark Haddon. Vintage, May 2004. ISBN 1-400-03271-7.

Dark Hero of the Information Age: In Search of Norbert Wiener, by Flo Conway and Jim Siegelman. Basic Books, December 2004. ISBN 0-738-20368-8.

The Equation That Couldn't Be Solved (How Mathematical Genius Discovered the Language of Symmetry), by Mario Livio. Simon and Schuster, September 2005. ISBN 0-743-25820-7.

**M. C. Escher's Legacy: A Centennial Celebration*, edited by Doris Schattschneider and Michele Emmer. Springer, September 2005 (paperback edition). ISBN 3-540-20100-9.

The Essential Turing, edited by B. Jack Copeland. Oxford University Press, September 2004. ISBN 0-198-25080-0.

Experimentation in Mathematics: Computational Paths to Discovery, by Jonathan Borwein, David Bailey, and Roland Girgensohn. A K Peters, March 2004. ISBN 1-56881-136-5. (Reviewed September 2005.)

The Fermat Diary, by C. J. Mozzochi. AMS, August 2000. ISBN 0-8218-2670-0.

The Fermat Proof, by C. J. Mozzochi. Trafford Publishing, Inc., February 2004. ISBN 1-412-02203-7.

Geometry and Meaning, by Dominic Widdows. Center for the Study of Language and Information, November 2004. ISBN 1-575-86448-7.

God Created the Integers, by Stephen Hawking. Running Press, October 2005. ISBN 0-762-41922-9.

**Gödel's Theorem: An Incomplete Guide to Its Use and Abuse*, by Torkel Franzen. A K Peters, May 2005. ISBN 1-568-81238-8.

The Golden Ratio: The Story of Phi, the World's Most Astonishing Number, by Mario Livio. Broadway Books, September 2003. ISBN 0-7679-0816-3. (Reviewed March 2005.)

Graphic Discovery: A Trout in the Milk and Other Visual Adventures, by Howard Wainer. Princeton University Press, October 2004. ISBN 0-691-10301-1.

Incompleteness: The Proof and Paradox of Kurt Gödel, by Rebecca Goldstein. W. W. Norton, February 2005. ISBN 0-393-05169-2.

**The Infinite Book: A Short Guide to the Boundless, Timeless and Endless*, by John D. Barrow. Pantheon, August 2005. ISBN 0-375-42227-7.

Introducing Game Theory and Its Applications, by Elliott Mendelson. CRC Press, July 2004. ISBN 1-584-88300-6.

János Bolyai, Euclid, and the Nature of Space, by Jeremy J. Gray. MIT Press, May 2003. ISBN 0-262-57174-9. (Reviewed October 2005.)

John Pell (1611–1685) and His Correspondence with Sir Charles Cavendish: The Mental World of an Early Modern Mathematician, by Noel Malcolm and Jacqueline Stedall. Oxford University Press, second edition, January 2005. ISBN 0-198-56484-8.

The Knot Book: An Elementary Introduction to the Mathematical Theory of Knots, Colin C. Adams. AMS, September 2004. ISBN 0-8218-3678-1. (Reviewed September 2005.)

Knots and Links, by Peter R. Cromwell. Cambridge University Press, October 2004. ISBN 0-691-10301-1.

Luck, Logic, and White Lies: The Mathematics of Games, by Jörg Bewersdorff. Translated by David Kramer. A K Peters, November 2004. ISBN 1-568-81210-8.

Math and the Mona Lisa: The Art and Science of Leonardo da Vinci, by Bulent Atalay. Smithsonian Books, April 2004. ISBN 1-588-34171-2.

The Math Instinct: Why You're a Mathematical Genius (Along with Lobsters, Birds, Cats, and Dogs), by Keith Devlin. Thunder's Mouth Press, March 2005. ISBN 1-560-25672-9.

Mathematical Adventures for Students and Amateurs, David F. Hayes and Tatiana Shubin, editors. Mathematical Association of America, 2004. ISBN 0-88385-548-8.

Mathematical Illustrations: A Manual of Geometry and PostScript, by Bill Casselman. Cambridge University Press, December 2004. ISBN 0-521-54788-1.

A Mathematician at the Ballpark: Odds and Probabilities for Baseball Fans, by Ken Ross. Pi Press, July 2004. ISBN 0-131-47990-3.

Mathematicians under the Nazis, by Sanford L. Segal. Princeton University Press, July 2003. ISBN 0-691-00451-X. (Reviewed April 2005.)

Mathematics by Experiment: Plausible Reasoning in the 21st Century, by Jonathan Borwein and David Bailey. A K Peters, December 2003. ISBN 1-56881-211-6. (Reviewed September 2005.)

Mathematics in Nature: Modeling Patterns in the Natural World, by John A. Adam. Princeton University Press, November 2003. ISBN 0-691-11429-3. (Reviewed June/July 2005.)

MetaMath! The Quest for Omega, by Gregory Chaitin. Pantheon, October 2005. ISBN 0-375-42313-3.

The (Mis)Behavior of Markets: A Fractal View of Risk, Ruin and Reward, by Benoît Mandelbrot and Richard Hudson. Basic Books, August 2004. ISBN 0-465-04355-0.

More Damned Lies and Statistics: How Numbers Confuse Public Issues, by Joel Best. University of California Press, August 2004. ISBN 0-520-23830-3.

More Mathematical Astronomy Morsels, by Jean Meeus. Willmann-Bell, 2002. ISBN 0-943396-743.

Musings of the Masters: An Anthology of Miscellaneous Reflections, edited by Raymond G. Ayoub. Mathematical Association of America, 2004. ISBN 0-88385-549-6.

**New Mexico Mathematics Contest Problem Book*, by Liong-shin Hahn. University of New Mexico Press, November 2005. ISBN 0-8263-3534-9.

The Newtonian Moment: Isaac Newton and the Making of Modern Culture, by Mordechai Feingold. New York Library and Oxford University Press, December 2004. ISBN 0-195-17735-5.

Numbers, the Language of Science, by Tobias Dantzig. Pi Press, fifth edition, March 2005. ISBN 0-131-85627-8.

The Oxford Murders, by Guillermo Martínez. Abacus, January 2005. ISBN 0-349-11721-7. (Reviewed November 2005.)

The Pea and the Sun: A Mathematical Paradox, by Leonard M. Wapner. A K Peters, April 2005. ISBN 1-568-81213-2.

**PopCo*, by Scarlett Thomas. Harvest Books, October 2005. ISBN 0-156-03137-X. (Reviewed in this issue.)

Probability Theory: The Logic of Science, by E. T. Jaynes. Edited by G. Larry Bretthorst. Cambridge University Press, April 2003. ISBN 0-521-59271-2. (Reviewed January 2006.)

R. L. Moore: Mathematician and Teacher, by John Parker. Mathematical Association of America, 2004. ISBN 0-88385-550-X.

Reality Conditions: Short Mathematical Fiction, by Alex Kasman. Mathematical Association of America, May 2005. ISBN 0-88385-552-6.

The Road to Reality: A Complete Guide to the Laws of the Universe, by Roger Penrose. Knopf, February 2005. ISBN 0-679-45443-8.

Saunders Mac Lane: A Mathematical Autobiography, by Saunders Mac Lane. A K Peters, May 2005. ISBN 1-568-81150-0. (Reviewed December 2005.)

Science in the Looking Glass, by E. Brian Davies. Oxford University Press, August 2003. ISBN 0-19-852543-5. (Reviewed December 2005.)

Sneaking a Look at God's Cards: Unraveling the Mysteries of Quantum Mechanics, by Giancarlo Ghirardi, translated by Gerald Malsbary. Princeton University Press, revised edition, January 2005. ISBN 0-691-12139-7.

Spaceland, by Rudy Rucker. Tor Books, June 2002. ISBN 0-765-30366-3. (Reviewed August 2005.)

Stalking the Riemann Hypothesis: The Quest to Find the Hidden Law of Prime Numbers, by Dan Rockmore. Pantheon, April 2005. ISBN 0-375-42136-X.

A Tour through Mathematical Logic, by Robert S. Wolf. Mathematical Association of America, January 2005. ISBN 0-88385-036-2.

The Transformation of Mathematics in the Early Mediterranean World: From Problems to Equations, by Reviel Netz. Cambridge University Press, June 2004. ISBN 0-521-82996-8.

Using the Mathematics Literature, by Kristine K. Fowler. Marcel Dekker, June 2004. ISBN 0-824-75035-7.

The Works of Archimedes: Translation and Commentary. Volume I: *The Two Books On the Sphere and The Cylinder*. Edited and translated by Reviel Netz. Cambridge University Press, April 2004. ISBN 0-521-66160-9. (Reviewed May 2005.)

A World without Time: The Forgotten Legacy of Gödel and Einstein, by Pallo Yourgrau. Basic Books, January 2005. ISBN 0-465-09293-4.