

Reference and Book List

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Contacting the Notices

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Upcoming Deadlines

January 10, 2009: Applications for AAUW Educational Foundation Fellowships and Grants. See http://www.aauw.org/fga/fellowships_grants/selected.cfm or contact the AAUW Educational Foundation,

Selected Professions Fellowships, Dept. 60, 301 ACT Drive, Iowa City, IA 52243-4030; telephone: 319-337-1716, ext. 60; email: aauw@act.org.

January 15, 2009: Applications for Jefferson Science Program at U.S. Department of State. See <http://www7.nationalacademies.org/jefferson/>; telephone: 202-334-2643; email: jsf@nas.edu.

January 15, 2009: Applications for AMS-AAAS Mass Media Summer Fellowships. See <http://www.aaas.org/programs/education/MassMedia/>; 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; email: spasco@aaas.org. Also see <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 18, 2009: Applications for Mathematical Biosciences Institute

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(MBI) Early Career Visitor and post-doctoral positions. See the website <http://mbi.osu.edu> or call 614-292-3648.

January 20, 2009: Letters of intent for NSF Program ADVANCE Partnerships for Adaptation, Implementation, and Dissemination (PAID) awards. See “Mathematics Opportunities” in this issue.

January 22, 2009: Proposals for NSF Scientific Computing Research Environments for the Mathematical Sciences (SCREMS). See http://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=5616.

January 31, 2009: Applications for AMS-AAAS Congressional Fellowship. See <http://www.ams.org/government/congressfellowann.html> or contact the AMS Washington Office at 202-588-1100, email: amsdc@ams.org.

February 1, 2009: Applications for AWM Travel Grants. See <http://www.awm-math.org/travelgrants.html>; telephone: 703-934-0163; email: awm@awm-math.edu. The postal address is: Association for Women in Mathematics, 11240 Waples Mill Road, Suite 200, Fairfax, VA 22030.

February 12, 2009: Full proposals for NSF Undergraduate Biology and Mathematics (UBM) program. See “Mathematics Opportunities” in this issue.

February 13, 2009: Applications for Math for America Foundation (MfA) Fellowship Program for New York City and Los Angeles. See <http://www.mathforamerica.org/>.

February 15, 2009: Applications for National Academies Research Associateship Programs. See <http://www7.nationalacademies.org/rap/> or contact Research Associateship Programs, National Research Council, Keck 568, 500 Fifth Street, NW, Washington, DC 20001; telephone 202-334-2760; fax 202-334-2759; email: rap@nas.edu.

February 15, 2009: Nominations for Clay Liftoff Program for summer 2009. See <http://claymath.org/fas/liftoff>; telephone: 617-995-2600.

February 24, 2009: Full proposals for NSF Project ADVANCE Partnerships for Adaptation, Implemen-

tation, and Dissemination (PAID) awards. See “Mathematics Opportunities” in this issue.

February 26, 2009: Preliminary proposals for NSF Partnerships for International Research and Education (PIRE). See “Mathematics Opportunities” in this issue.

February 27, 2009: Applications for 2009 Summer Program for Women in Mathematics (SPWM2009). See “Mathematics Opportunities” in this issue.

February 27, 2009: Submissions for Association for Women in Mathematics (AWM) essay contest. See <http://www.awm-math.org/biographies/contest.html>.

February 27, 2009: Proposals for DMS New Institute Competition. See http://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=5302.

March 1, 2009: Applications for the June program of the Christine Mirzayan Science and Technology Policy Graduate Fellowship Program of the National Academies. See <http://www7.nationalacademies.org/policyfellows>; or contact The National Academies Christine Mirzayan Science and Technology Policy Graduate Fellowship Program, 500 Fifth Street, NW, Room 508, Washington, DC 20001; telephone: 202-334-2455; fax: 202-334-1667; email: policyfellows@nas.edu.

March 2, 2009: Applications for EDGE Summer Program. See http://www.edgeforwomen.org/?page_id=5.

March 31, 2009: Submissions for *Plus* Magazine New Writers Award. See the website <http://plus.maths.org/competition/>.

April 15, 2009: Applications for fall 2009 semester of Math in Moscow. See <http://www.mccme.ru/mathinmoscow> or write to: Math in Moscow, P.O. Box 524, Wynnewood, PA 19096; fax: +7095-291-65-01; email: mim@mccme.ru. For information on AMS scholarships see <http://www.ams.org/outreach/mimoscow.html> or write to: Math in Moscow Program, Membership and Programs Department, American Mathematical Society, 201 Charles Street, Providence RI 02904-2294; email: student-serv@ams.org.

May 8, 2009: Applications for AWM Travel Grants. See <http://www.awm-math.org/travelgrants.html>; telephone: 703-934-0163; email: awm@awm-math.edu. The postal address is: Association for Women in Mathematics, 11240 Waples Mill Road, Suite 200, Fairfax, VA 22030.

May 15, 2009: Applications for National Academies Research Associateship Programs. See <http://www7.nationalacademies.org/rap/> or contact Research Associateship Programs, National Research Council, Keck 568, 500 Fifth Street, NW, Washington, DC 20001; telephone 202-334-2760; fax 202-334-2759; email: rap@nas.edu.

June 1, 2009: Applications for the September program of the Christine Mirzayan Science and Technology Policy Graduate Fellowship Program of the National Academies. See <http://www7.nationalacademies.org/policyfellows>; or contact The National Academies Christine Mirzayan Science and Technology Policy Graduate Fellowship Program, 500 Fifth Street, NW, Room 508, Washington, DC 20001; telephone: 202-334-2455; fax: 202-334-1667; email: policyfellows@nas.edu.

June 1, 2009: Applications for the Math for America Foundation (MfA) Fellowship Program in San Diego. See <http://www.mathforamerica.org/>.

June 2, 2009: Proposals for NSF's Enhancing the Mathematical Sciences Workforce in the Twenty-First Century program. See http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub_summ.jsp?ods_key=nsf05595.

June 30, 2009: Applications for Fermat Prize for Mathematics Research. Contact Prix Fermat de Recherche en Mathématiques, Service Relations Publiques, Université Paul Sabatier, 31062 Toulouse Cedex 9, France, or see the website <http://www.math.ups-tlse.fr/Fermat/>.

August 4, 2009: Letters of intent for NSF Project ADVANCE Institutional Transformation (IT) and Institutional Transformation Catalyst (IT-Catalyst) awards. See “Mathematics Opportunities” in this issue.

August 4, 2009: Full proposals (by invitation only) for NSF Partnerships for International Research and

Education (PIRE). See “Mathematics Opportunities” in this issue.

August 15, 2009: Applications for National Academies Research Associateship Programs. See <http://www7.nationalacademies.org/rap/> or contact Research Associateship Programs, National Research Council, Keck 568, 500 Fifth Street, NW, Washington, DC 20001; telephone 202-334-2760; fax 202-334-2759; email: rap@nas.edu.

October 1, 2009: Applications for AWM Travel Grants. See <http://www.awm-math.org/travelgrants.html>; telephone: 703-934-0163; email: awm@awm-math.edu. The postal address is: Association for Women in Mathematics, 11240 Waples Mill Road, Suite 200, Fairfax, VA 22030.

November 1, 2009: Applications for the January program of the Christine Mirzayan Science and Technology Policy Graduate Fellowship Program of the National Academies. See <http://www7.nationalacademies.org/policyfellows>; or contact The National Academies Christine Mirzayan Science and Technology Policy Graduate Fellowship Program, 500 Fifth Street, NW, Room 508, Washington, DC 20001; telephone: 202-334-2455; fax: 202-334-1667; email: policyfellows@nas.edu.

November 12, 2009: Full proposals for NSF Project ADVANCE Institutional Transformation (IT) and Institutional Transformation Catalyst (IT-Catalyst) awards. See “Mathematics Opportunities” in this issue.

November 15, 2009: Applications for National Academies Research Associateship Programs. See <http://www7.nationalacademies.org/rap/> or contact Research Associateship Programs, National Research Council, Keck 568, 500 Fifth Street, NW, Washington, DC 20001; telephone 202-334-2760; fax 202-334-2759; email: rap@nas.edu.

NSF/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.

An Abundance of Katherines, by John Green. Dutton Juvenile Books, September 2006. ISBN-13:978-0-5254-7688-7. (Reviewed October 2008.)

Amongst Mathematicians: Teaching and Learning Mathematics at University Level, by Elena Nardi. Springer, November 2007. ISBN-13: 978-0-387-37141-2.

**The Annotated Turing: A Guided Tour Through Alan Turing's Historic Paper on Computability and the Turing Machine*, by Charles Petzold. Wiley, June 2008. ISBN-13: 978-0-4702-290-57.

The Archimedes Codex, by Reviel Netz and William Noel. Weidenfeld and Nicolson, May 2007. ISBN-13: 978-0-29764-547-4. (Reviewed September 2008.)

The Book of Numbers: The Secret of Numbers and How They Changed the World, by Peter J. Bentley. Firefly Books, February 2008. ISBN-13: 978-15540-736-10.

The Cat in Numberland, by Ivar Ekeland. Cricket Books, April 2006. ISBN-13: 978-0-812-62744-2. (Reviewed January 2009.)

Digital Dice, by Paul J. Nahin. Princeton University Press, March 2008. ISBN-13: 978-06911-269-82.

Dimensions, by Jos Leys, Etienne Ghys, and Aurélien Alvarez. DVD, 117 minutes. Available at <http://www.dimensions-math.org>.

Discovering Patterns in Mathematics and Poetry, by Marcia Birken and Anne C. Coon. Rodopi, February 2008. ISBN-13: 978-9-0420-2370-3.

Does Measurement Measure Up?: How Numbers Reveal and Conceal the Truth, by John Henshaw. Johns Hopkins University Press, March 2006. ISBN-13: 978-0-8018-8375-0.

Einstein's Mistakes: The Human Failings of Genius, by Hans C. Ohanian. W. W. Norton, September 2008. ISBN-13: 978-0393062939.

**Emmy Noether: The Mother of Modern Algebra*, by M. B. W. Tent. A K Peters, October 2008. ISBN-13: 978-15688-143-08.

Euclidean and Non-Euclidean Geometries: Development and History, fourth revised and expanded edition, by Marvin Jay Greenberg. W. H. Freeman, September 2007. ISBN-13: 978-0-7167-9948-1.

**Euler's Gem: The Polyhedron Formula and the Birth of Topology*, by David S. Richeson. Princeton University Press, September 2008. ISBN-13: 97-80691-1267-77.

**Fifty Mathematical Ideas You Really Need to Know*, by Tony Crilly. Quercus, 2007. ISBN-13: 978-18472-400-88.

Fighting Terror Online: The Convergence of Security, Technology and the Law, by Martin Charles Golumbic. Springer, 2008. ISBN: 978-0-387-73577-1.

Five-Minute Mathematics, by Ehrhard Behrends (translated by David Kramer). AMS, May 2008. ISBN-13: 978-08218-434-82.

Fly Me to the Moon: An Insider's Guide to the New Science of Space Travel, by Edward Belbruno. Princeton University Press, January 2007. ISBN-13: 978-0-6911-2822-1. (Reviewed April 2008.)

GeekSpeak: How Life + Mathematics = Happiness, by Graham Tattersall. Collins, September 2008. ISBN-13: 978-00616-292-42.

Geometric Folding Algorithms: Linkages, Origami, Polyhedra, by Erik D. Demaine and Joseph O'Rourke. Cambridge University Press, July 2007. ISBN-13: 978-05218-57574.

**Geometric Origami*, by Robert Geretschläger. Arbelos, October 2008. ISBN-13: 978-09555-477-13.

The Golden Section: Nature's Greatest Secret (Wooden Books), by Scott Olsen. Walker and Company, October 2006. ISBN-13: 978-08027-153-95.

Group Theory in the Bedroom, and Other Mathematical Diversions, by Brian Hayes. Hill and Wang, April 2008. ISBN-13: 978-08090-521-96. (Reviewed in this issue.)

Guesstimation: Solving the World's Problems on the Back of a Cocktail Napkin, by Lawrence Weinstein and John A. Adam. Princeton University Press, April 2008. ISBN-13: 978-0-6911-2949-5.

Hexaflexagons, Probability Paradoxes, and the Tower of Hanoi: Martin Gardner's First Book of Mathematical Puzzles and Games, by Martin Gardner. Cambridge University Press, September 2008. ISBN-13: 978-0-521-73525-4.

How Round Is Your Circle, by John Bryant and Chris Sangwin. Princeton University Press, January 2008. ISBN-13: 978-0-6911-3118-4.

Impossible?: Surprising Solutions to Counterintuitive Conundrums, by Julian Havil. Princeton University Press, April 2008. ISBN-13: 978-0-6911-3131-3.

The Indian Clerk, by David Leavitt. Bloomsbury USA, September 2007. ISBN-13: 978-15969-1040-9. (Reviewed September 2008.)

Irreligion: A Mathematician Explains Why the Arguments for God Just Don't Add Up, by John Allen Paulos. Hill and Wang, December 2007. ISBN-13: 978-0-8090-591-95. (Reviewed August 2008.)

Is God a Mathematician? by Mario Livio. Simon & Schuster, January 2009. ISBN-13: 978-07432-940-58.

Kiss My Math: Showing Pre-Algebra Who's Boss, by Danica McKellar. Hudson Street Press, August 2008. ISBN-13: 978-1594630491.

The Last Theorem, by Arthur C. Clarke and Frederik Pohl. Del Rey, August 2008. ISBN-13: 978-0345470218.

Leonhard Euler, A Man to Be Reckoned With, by Andreas K. Heyne and Alice K. Heyne. Birkhäuser, 2007. ISBN-13: 978-3-7643-8332-9. (Reviewed March 2008.)

Logic's Lost Genius: The Life of Gerhard Gentzen, by Eckart Menzler-Trott, Craig Smorynski (translator), Edward R. Griffor (translator). AMS-LMS, November 2007. ISBN-13: 978-0-8218-3550-0.

Making Mathematics Work with Needlework: Ten Papers and Ten Projects, edited by Sarah-Marie Belcastro and Carolyn Yackel. A K Peters, September 2007. ISBN-13: 978-1-5688-1331-8.

The Map of My Life, by Goro Shimura. Springer, September 2008. ISBN-13: 978-03877-971-44.

Mathematical Omnibus: Thirty Lectures on Classic Mathematics, by Dmitry Fuchs and Serge Tabachnikov. AMS, October 2007. ISBN-13: 978-08218-431-61. (Reviewed December 2008.)

The Mathematician's Brain, by David Ruelle. Princeton University Press, July 2007. ISBN-13 978-0-691-12982-2. (Reviewed November 2008.)

**Mathematics and the Aesthetic: New Approaches to an Ancient Affinity*, edited by Nathalie Sinclair, David Pimm, and William Higginson. Springer, November 2006. ISBN-13: 978-03873-052-64. (Reviewed in this issue.)

Mathematics and Democracy: Designing Better Voting and Fair-Division

Procedures, by Steven J. Brams. Princeton University Press, December 2007. ISBN-13: 978-0691-1332-01.

Mathematics at Berkeley: A History, by Calvin C. Moore. A K Peters, February 2007. ISBN-13: 978-1-5688-1302-8. (Reviewed November 2008.)

Mathematics in Ancient Iraq: A Social History, by Eleanor Robson. Princeton University Press, August 2008. ISBN-13: 978-06910-918-22.

The Mathematics of Egypt, Mesopotamia, China, India, and Islam: A Sourcebook, by Victor J. Katz et al. Princeton University Press, July 2007. ISBN-13: 978-0-6911-2745-3.

Measuring the World, by Daniel Kehlmann. Pantheon, November 2006. ISBN 0-375-42446-6. (Reviewed June/July 2008.)

More Mathematical Astronomy Morsels, by Jean Meeus. Willmann-Bell, 2002. ISBN 0-943396743.

More Sex Is Safer Sex: The Unconventional Wisdom of Economics, by Steven E. Landsburg. Free Press, April 2007. ISBN-13: 978-1-416-53221-7. (Reviewed June/July 2008.)

**Number and Numbers*, by Alain Badiou. Polity, June 2008. ISBN-13: 978-07456-387-82.

Number Story: From Counting to Cryptography, by Peter M. Higgins. Springer, February 2008. ISBN-13: 978-1-8480-0000-1.

**The Numerati*, by Stephen Baker. Houghton Mifflin, August 2008. ISBN-13: 978-06187-846-08.

One to Nine: The Inner Life of Numbers, by Andrew Hodges. W. W. Norton, May 2008. ISBN-13: 978-03930-664-18.

Origami, Eleusis, and the Soma Cube: Martin Gardner's Mathematical Diversions, by Martin Gardner. Cambridge University Press, September 2008. ISBN-13: 978-0-521-73524-7.

A Passion for Discovery, by Peter Freund. World Scientific, August 2007. ISBN-13: 978-9-8127-7214-5.

Perfect Figures: The Lore of Numbers and How We Learned to Count, by Bunny Crumacker. Thomas Dunne Books, August 2007. ISBN-13: 978-0-3123-6005-4.

**Plato's Ghost: The Modernist Transformation of Mathematics*, by Jeremy Gray. Princeton University Press, September 2008. ISBN-13: 978-06911-361-03.

The Presidential Election Game, by Steven J. Brams. A K Peters, December 2007. ISBN-13: 978-1-5688-1348-6.

The Princeton Companion of Mathematics, edited by Timothy Gowers (June Barrow-Green and Imre Leader, associate editors). Princeton University Press, November 2008. ISBN-13: 978-06911-188-02.

Professor Stewart's Cabinet of Mathematical Curiosities, by Ian Stewart. Basic Books, December 2008. ISBN-13: 978-0-465-01302-9.

Pursuit of Genius: Flexner, Einstein, and the Early Faculty at the Institute for Advanced Study, by Steve Batterson. A K Peters, June 2006. ISBN 1-56881-259-0. (Reviewed August 2008.)

Pythagorean Crimes, by Tefros Michalides. Parmenides Publishing, September 2008. ISBN-13: 978-19309-722-78. (Reviewed January 2009.)

Random Curves: Journeys of a Mathematician, by Neal Koblitz. Springer, December 2007. ISBN-13: 978-3-5407-4077-3.

Reminiscences of a Statistician: The Company I Kept, by Erich Lehmann. Springer, November 2007. ISBN-13: 978-0-387-71596-4.

Roots to Research: A Vertical Development of Mathematical Problems, by Judith D. Sally and Paul J. Sally Jr. AMS, November 2007. ISBN-13: 978-08218-440-38. (Reviewed December 2008.)

Sacred Mathematics: Japanese Temple Geometry, by Fukagawa Hidetoshi and Tony Rothman. Princeton University Press, July 2008. ISBN-13: 978-0-6911-2745-3.

**The Shape of Content: An Anthology of Creative Writing in Mathematics and Science*, edited by Chandler Davis, Marjorie Wikler Senechal, and Jan Zwicky. A K Peters, November 2008. ISBN-13: 978-15688-144-45.

**Souvenirs sur Sofia Kovalevskaya* (French), by Michèle Audin. Calvage et Mounet, October 2008. ISBN-13: 978-29163-520-53.

**Strange Attractors: Poems of Love and Mathematics*, edited by Sarah Glaz and JoAnne Growney. A K Peters, November 2008. ISBN-13: 978-15688-134-17.

Super Crunchers: Why Thinking-by-Numbers Is the New Way to Be

Smart, by Ian Ayres. Bantam, August 2007. ISBN-13: 978-0-5538-0540-6.

The Symmetries of Things, by John H. Conway, Heidi Burgiel, and Chaim Goodman-Strauss. A K Peters, May 2008. ISBN-13: 978-1-5688-1220-5.

Symmetry: A Journey into the Patterns of Nature, by Marcus du Sautoy. Harper, March 2008. ISBN-13: 978-0-0607-8940-4.

Symmetry: The Ordering Principle (Wooden Books), by David Wade. Walker and Company, October 2006. ISBN-13: 978-08027-153-88.

Tools of American Math Teaching, 1800-2000, by Peggy Aldrich Kidwell, Amy Ackerberg-Hastings, and David Lindsay Roberts. Johns Hopkins University Press, July 2008. ISBN-13: 978-0801888144.

The Unfinished Game: Pascal, Fermat, and the Seventeenth-Century Letter That Made the World Modern, by Keith Devlin. Basic Books, September 2008. ISBN-13: 978-0-4650-0910-7.

**The Unimaginable Mathematics of Borges' Library of Babel*, by William Goldbloom Bloch. Oxford University Press, August 2008. ISBN-13: 978-01953-345-79.

Unknown Quantity: A Real and Imaginary History of Algebra, by John Derbyshire. Joseph Henry Press, May 2006. ISBN 0-309-09657-X. (Reviewed May 2008.)

Useless Arithmetic: Why Environmental Scientists Can't Predict the Future, by Orrin Pilkey and Linda Pilkey-Jarvis. Columbia University Press, February 2007. ISBN 0-231-13212-3. (Reviewed April 2008.)

The Volterra Chronicles: The Life and Times of an Extraordinary Mathematician, by Judith R. Goodstein. AMS, February 2007. ISBN-13: 978-0-8218-3969-0. (Reviewed March 2008.)

The Wraparound Universe, by Jean-Pierre Luminet. A K Peters, March 2008. ISBN 978-15688-130-97. (Reviewed December 2008.)

Zeno's Paradox: Unraveling the Ancient Mystery behind the Science of Space and Time, by Joseph Mazur. Plume, March 2008 (reprint edition). ISBN-13: 978-0-4522-8917-8.