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 The Chair of Excellence, Béla Bollobás,

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# Paul Erdős Lecture Series

jointly with

The International Conference  
 on Mathematics and Statistics (ICOMAS)

**17-18 May 2012**

University of Memphis, University Center

## 2012 Erdős Conference

Two days of talks from:

**Vaughan Jones**

Vanderbilt University  
 and University of California- Berkeley

**Avi Wigderson**

Institute for Advanced Study

**Peter Winkler**

Dartmouth College

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**George Dyson**

Bellingham, WA

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**Paul Balister**

University of Memphis

**James Campbell**

University of Memphis

**Maria Chudnovsky**

Columbia University

**Henry Cohn**

Microsoft Research - New England

**Jacob Fox**

Massachusetts Institute  
 of Technology

**Alan Frieze**

Carnegie Mellon University

**Eyal Lubetzky**

Microsoft Research - Redmond

**Cecil Rousseau**

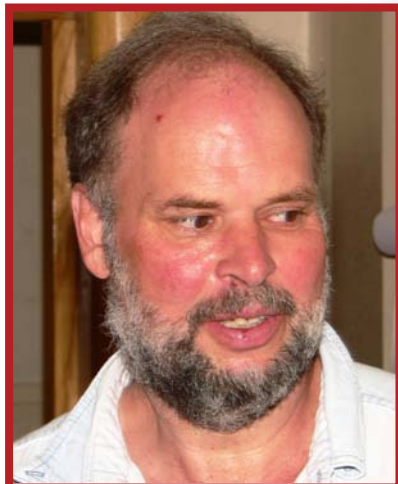
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**Jacques Verstraete**

University of California - San Diego



## The 15th Annual Paul Erdős Lectures



**Why Flatland is a Great  
 Place to Do Algebra**

**Vaughan Jones**

Fields Medalist



**The Power and Weakness  
 of Randomness  
 (when you are short on time)**

**Avi Wigderson**

Nevalinna Prize Winner

**Previous Lecturers:**

V.T. Sós, R.L. Graham, W.T. Gowers, I. Lovász, J.T. Chayes, E. Bombieri, J.H. Conway, E. Szemerédi, N. Alon, T. Tao, P. Lax, J. Thompson, G. Margulis, and J. Kleinberg

## Historical Portraits



**Turing's Cathedral:  
 von Neumann and the Dawn  
 of Computing**

**George Dyson**

Bellingham, WA



**Erdős and the Magic  
 of Randomness**

**Peter Winkler**

Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH

Registration is free, strongly encouraged and requires no commitment to attend. To register, please email your name, affiliation, title, and address to Tricia Simmons at [tdsimms@memphis.edu](mailto:tdsimms@memphis.edu). Some funding is available to cover travel related expenses, especially for students. To apply for funding, get information about accommodations and other conference related activities, please follow the link to the conference website: <http://www.msci.memphis.edu/news.html> or call Tricia Simmons at (901) 678-5610.

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