

2017 HARRY KIEVAL LECTURES

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Blaise Pascal and His Mystic Hexagram

Inventor, mathematician, physicist and theological writer Blaise Pascal has been called “the greatest might-have-been in the history of mathematics.” In this talk, we will examine his life and times and consider one of his most impressive discoveries.

The Pythagorean Proposition and the Enduring Beauty of Mathematics

In the 1800’s Charles Dodgson observed, “The Pythagorean theorem is as dazzlingly beautiful now as it was the day when Pythagoras first discovered it.” In this talk, we will explore the history of the theorem and the beauty that it still reveals today.

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**May 12, 2017
9:30 - 10:30 am**

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**Science
Room 108**

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**May 12, 2017
3:30 - 5:00 pm**

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**Science
Room 151**