

## For Immediate release

Princeton Professor and First Distinguished Chair for the Public Dissemination of Mathematics, Manjul Bhargava Hosts *Math & Magic with Manjul* an Eight-Week Ivy League Course at the National Museum of Mathematics (MoMath)

Select Wednesdays from September 12 to December 12 at 5:30 p.m.

**New York, NY (August 30, 2018):** The National Museum of Mathematics (MoMath) is hosting a condensed version of an eight-week course at Princeton University lead by Princeton Professor and the first Distinguished Chair for the Public Dissemination of Mathematics, Manjul Bhargava. This is the first of many events that Dr. Bhargava will host at MoMath, located at 11 East 26<sup>th</sup> Street.

This eight-week course, appropriate for ages 13 and over, offers an Ivy League educational opportunity to the general public; inviting them to invest in their abilities to think big alongside one of the nation's foremost math professors. For the cost-effective price of \$875 with a dinner of Indian cuisine included, Dr. Bhargava will perform magic card tricks using mathematics and examine mathematical concepts such as number theory, coding theory, and cryptography, and how each reveal secrets behind some of the world's most admired magic tricks. He will also discuss how recent discoveries in math have had important applications in all areas of study.

"This eight-week course is a remarkable opportunity for people to spend quality time with one of the most brilliant mathematicians of our time and engage in enlightening one-on-one conversations," explained Cindy Lawrence, Executive Director of MoMath. "Dr. Bhargava presents a rigorous level of math in a way that appeals to the broad public and connects with math lovers of all ages and abilities."

Dr. Bhargava is the third youngest full professor in Princeton University's history, and has received many top mathematics honors and awards, including the Fields Medal, the highest award in the field of mathematics. In addition, he was named one of *Popular Science Magazine's* "Brilliant 10" in 2002.

## **About the National Museum of Mathematics**

The National Museum of Mathematics (MoMath) strives to enhance public understanding and perception of mathematics in daily life. Currently celebrating its fifth anniversary, MoMath has reached more than 1.5 million New Yorkers and visitors from around the world.

The only math museum in North America, MoMath fills a critical demand around the country and worldwide for hands-on math programming, offering a space where the math-challenged, as well as math enthusiasts of all backgrounds and levels of understanding can enjoy the infinite and beautiful world of mathematics through more than 37 unique, state-of-the-art, interactive exhibits.

In addition to MoMath's home in New York City, Museum exhibitions and content are currently featured in Singapore, Brazil, Germany, Russia, Spain, Sweden and the UK.

MoMath received the 2016 Communications Award for Public Outreach from the Joint Policy Board for Mathematics. The Museum was awarded the bronze 2013 MUSE Award for Education and Outreach by the American Alliance of Museums. MoMath has been recognized as the Most Fascinating Museum in New York State by the TripAdvisor vacation site, and hailed as "Best Museum for Kids" by *New York Magazine*.

MoMath, located at 11 East 26<sup>th</sup> Street on the north side of popular Madison Square Park in Manhattan, is open seven days a week, 10 a.m.- 5 p.m. For more information, visit momath.org.

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