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# 142,857

*A Magical Number Everyone Should Know*

*Speaker:* Manjul Bhargava

**Wednesday, March 4, 2026**

**Afternoon Presentation**

4:00 pm ET (New York)

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**National Museum of Mathematics**

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**New York, NY**

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