

THE LOGIC OF CREATIVITY:

Music, Mathematics, and Expression

WITH EUGENIA CHENG

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A SYRACUSE SYMPOSIUM EVENT

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The School of Education and Hendricks Chapel host accomplished pianist, composer, and mathematician EUGENIA CHENG, currently Scientist in Residence at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago.



In a piano performance and lecture showcasing math's creative side, Cheng will demonstrate how math is pivotal to solving complex everyday problems and advancing social justice. Reception to follow.

Cheng is a mathematician, educator, author, public speaker, columnist, concert pianist, composer, and artist—aiming to rid the world of "math phobia."

Cheng writes the "Everyday Math" column for the Wall Street Journal; her YouTube videos have 15 million views and counting; and, in 2018, she performed a TEDx talk on math and inequality.

Her first popular book—How to Bake Pi—led to acclaim from The New York Times, National Geographic, and Scientific American, and she has been interviewed on the BBC, NPR, and The Late Show with Stephen Colbert.

Other books include Beyond Infinity, The Art of Logic, x+y: A Mathematician's Manifesto for Rethinking Gender, The Joy of Abstraction, and Is Maths Real? She has written two children's books: Molly and the Mathematical Mysteries and Bake Infinite Pie with x+y.

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