

Erdős 100 Plus

Ten videos by George Csicsery

*Celebrating the life and contributions of Paul Erdős (1913-1996),
one of the 20th century's greatest mathematicians*



Concentrating on the legacy of Paul Erdős in mathematics, ***Erdős 100 Plus*** is a DVD compilation of ten videos totaling 180 minutes.

The anchor piece is *Erdős 100*, a 30-minute video prepared for the centennial celebration in 2013 of Paul Erdős's birth. *Erdős 100* presents interviews filmed in 2012 and 2013 with mathematicians László Lovász, Endre Szemerédi, Vera Sós, László Babai, András Hajnal, Ronald Graham and others, mixed with never-before-seen outtakes from the 1993 film, *N is a Number: A Portrait of Paul Erdős*.

Four of the videos on the DVD feature scenes from the raw interviews conducted with Erdős between 1988 and 1991 for the film, *N is a Number*. The 112 minutes of largely unedited Erdős interviews appear in four sequences compiled according to the dates and cities where the interviews were filmed. Although most of the material is in English, the four videos are subtitled.

The DVD also includes *Something New Every Day*, a 21-minute film completed in 2015 on the occasion of Ron Graham's 80th birthday, and four short pieces about the development of combinatorics and the probabilistic method. One of these, *Large Gaps Between Primes*, concerns the distribution of prize money offered by Erdős for the solution of a problem, and features James Maynard, one of several people to solve the problem.



Paul Erdős in the *Dancing Saints*, an icon mural by Mark Dukes at St. Gregory of Nyssa Episcopal Church, San Francisco



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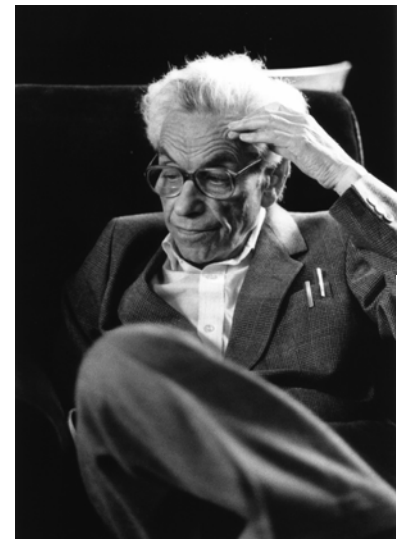
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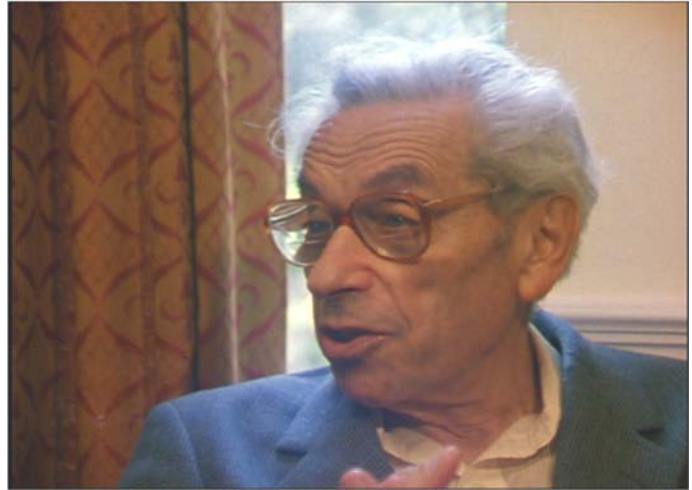
DVD contents

- *Erdős 100* (2013) (29:51)
- *Something New Every Day* (2015) (21:00)
- *On Erdős-Bacon Numbers* (2018) (01:47)
- *The Rise of Combinatorics* (2018) (06:14)
- *Large Gaps Between Primes* (2018) (05:28)
- *A Brief History of the Probabilistic Method* (2018) (03:15)

Original Paul Erdős interviews

(Outtakes from *N is a Number*)

- Philadelphia (1988) (44:06)
- San Francisco (1989) (21:03)
- Budapest (1989) (23:09)
- Cambridge (1991) (23:54)



A man with no home and no job, Paul Erdős was the most prolific mathematician who ever lived. Born in Hungary in 1913, Erdős wrote and co-authored over 1,500 papers and pioneered several fields in theoretical mathematics. At the age of 83 he still spent most of his time on the road, going from math meeting to math meeting, continually working on problems. *N is a Number: A Portrait of Paul Erdős* was filmed between 1988 and 1991.

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