

SECRETS OF THE SURFACE

The Mathematical Vision of Maryam Mirzakhani

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Filmed in Canada, Iran, and the United States, *Secrets of the Surface: The Mathematical Vision of Maryam Mirzakhani* examines the life and mathematical work of Maryam Mirzakhani, an Iranian immigrant to the United States who became a superstar in her field. In 2014 she was the first woman and the first Iranian to be honored by mathematics' highest prize, the Fields Medal.

Mirzakhani's contributions are explained by leading mathematicians and illustrated by animated sequences. Her mathematical colleagues from around the world, as well as

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