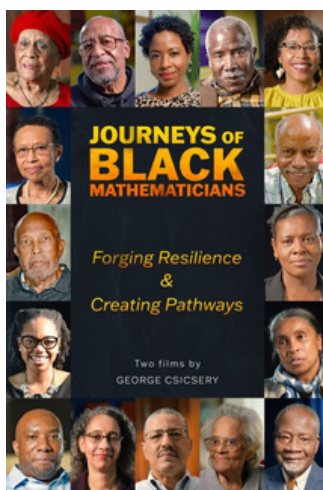


JOURNEYS OF BLACK MATHEMATICIANS

Forging Resilience & Creating Pathways

Two films by George Csicsery

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The two-part *Journeys of Black Mathematicians* film series traces the history of individuals who worked as pioneers in expanding the presence of African Americans in mathematics. Severely underrepresented in mathematics, African Americans have played important roles as researchers and educators in the field. The JBM series tells some of their stories.

In addition to the rich histories and compelling stories of contemporary Black American mathematicians, the films showcase innovative educational programs in math for African American students at every level from grade school through undergraduate and postdoc, portraying their experiences, struggles and accomplishments.

The *Journeys of Black Mathematicians* films will inspire students to continue their studies and consider career paths in mathematics. This joint project between the Simons Laufer Mathematical Sciences Institute (SLMath) and Zala Films is designed for the general public, math/science film audiences and anyone interested in the largely untold history of African Americans in science and mathematics.

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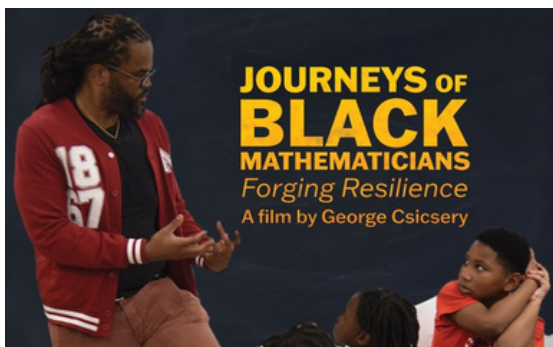
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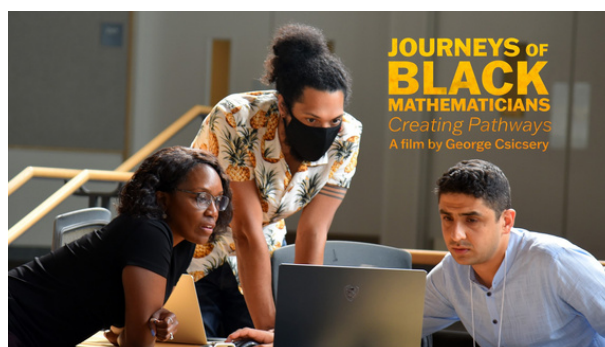
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Journeys of Black Mathematicians: Forging Resilience (2024) traces the evolution of a culture of Black scholars and scientists, following the stories of prominent pioneers to the challenges and triumphs of today's mid-career Black mathematicians, their students, and K-12 children across the U.S. who are learning that they belong in mathematics and STEM. (58 minutes)



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Journeys of Black Mathematicians: Creating Pathways (2025) highlights the lives of Black mathematicians who pursued their education at predominantly White institutions. The film gauges the impacts of segregation and prejudice, surveys attitudes around identity, and introduces programs aimed at increasing the number of African Americans in STEM fields. Exploring questions about the beauty and philosophical meanings of mathematics, the film also shows how careers in applied mathematics provide attractive and useful opportunities for the next generation. (59 minutes)

“By juxtaposing career paths with the historical timeline of the civil-rights movement in the United States, [Journeys of Mathematicians: Forging Resilience] seeks to show what Black mathematicians have been through and provide hope for what can be. That hope is more than a wish. It is backed up by descriptions of supportive programmes, nurturing educators, positive changes in the community and success stories.”

—Noelle Sawyer, *Nature Arts Review*

“As shown in ‘Journeys of Black Mathematicians,’ Black STEM faculty serve their students in dual capacities: not just as educators, but as role models for what students could be when they grow up. When students see representations of themselves in the fields they want to pursue, their dreams become more tangible. Many mathematics PhD holders featured in the documentary were the only Black Americans of their graduating classes, and they want to be the change that opens up the field for more Black academics.”

—Amiya McLean, *The Daily*, University of Washington