

Oxford Mathematics Public Lectures  
Inaugural Titchmarsh Lecture

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Cédric Villani

*Birth of an Idea:*

*A Mathematical Adventure*

What goes on inside the mind of a mathematician? Where does inspiration come from? Cédric Villani will describe how he encountered obstacles and setbacks, losses of faith and even brushes with madness as he wrestled with the theorem that culminated in him winning the most prestigious prize in mathematics, the Fields Medal. Cédric will sign copies of his book after the lecture.

5pm – Lecture Theatre 1  
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