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Mathematics and Motherhood

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The Journal of Humanistic Mathematics (<http://scholarship.claremont.edu/jhm/>) is pleased to announce a call for papers for a special issue on Mathematics and Motherhood. Please send your abstract submissions via email to the guest editors by October 1, 2017. Initial submission of complete manuscripts is due January 1, 2018. The issue is currently scheduled to appear in July 2018.

The Journal of Humanistic Mathematics describes humanistic mathematics as the “human face of mathematics.” Behind the mathematics, there are the humans involved in knowledge creation who identify as mathematicians. The perception of “who is a mathematician” is changing. In its wake, we are rewriting the storyline of what it means to be a mathematician.

This special issue will explore the intersectionality of mathematics and motherhood with the aim of empowering more women in mathematics to pursue careers in the mathematical sciences and the professoriate. To this end, this issue will feature articles, autobiographical stories, poetry, and essays from a diverse set of women who have found success and balance in their mathematics career and motherhood.

The World of Mathematics contributions will include raw, witty, and relatable stories that address the true challenges of being an academic mother, while providing concrete tips to overcome these challenges and thrive as a mathematician. Articles, including ethnographies and historical pieces, expand on the common experiences and challenges faced by math mamas, along with ways to support the community. Poetry and other communication forms round out this issue by giving a voice to math mamas' experiences in the intersectionality of mathematics and motherhood.

This special issue serves as a doorway to a community of support for women who want both a career and a family, as well as a guide offering insight to administrators about the challenges faced by mother mathematicians and some possible solutions. The contributors of this special issue come from diverse backgrounds in terms of ethnicity, religious affiliations, academic rank, and represent the changing face of mathematics.

This special issue is part of a broader collaboration between individuals, the *Journal of Humanistic Mathematics*, the Association for Women in Mathematics, and the American Mathematical Society to encourage dialogue and create community space to support motherhood in the mathematical sciences.

Please send proposals with tentative titles and abstracts to the guest editors by October 1, 2017. We aim to respond to each proposal by November 1, 2017.¹ Initial submission of complete manuscripts is due January 1, 2018. The issue is currently scheduled to appear in July 2018.²

We welcome email inquiries from all those considering contributing to this issue.

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¹Note that acceptance of a proposal does not guarantee publication. The full work will still be subject to a peer-review process.

²JHM will also be recruiting peer reviewers for this issue. If you are interested in serving as a peer reviewer, please contact the journal editors Mark Huber and Gizem Karaali.