

We are proud to present our next installment of
Leading Change: Perspectives from Outside of Medicine
“Conversation Series 2024”

The goal is to help us think about ways to improve “the patient experience” at Johns Hopkins by learning from experts in other fields and disciplines.

Please join us, in welcoming **Ed Catmull, Co-Founder and Former President of Pixar and Jensen Huang, Founder, President and CEO of NVIDIA** and on **Thursday, May 23, 2024 at 6:30-8:00pm via Zoom**. (Zoom link below) They will present a lecture entitled **“Jensen Huang and Elliot Fishman in Conversation with Ed Catmull”**.



Dr. Ed Catmull is a co-founder of Pixar Animation Studios and served as President of Pixar for 33 years while also serving as President of Walt Disney Animation Studios for 13 of those 33 years. Previously, Dr. Catmull was vice President of the Computer Division of Lucasfilm Ltd., where he managed development in computer graphics, video editing, video games, and digital audio.

Catmull's New York Times bestseller, “CREATIVITY, INC.: Overcoming the Unseen Forces That Stand in the Way of True Inspiration,” which Fast Company described as “what just might be the most thoughtful management book ever,” was published by Random House in 2014. The Expanded Edition of the book was released in June 2023.

Dr. Catmull founded three of the leading centers of computer graphics research – including the Computer Division of Lucasfilm Ltd. and Pixar Animation Studios. These organizations have been home to many of the most academically respected researchers in the field and have produced some of the most fundamental advances in computer graphics, including image compositing, motion blur, subdivision surfaces, cloth simulation and rendering techniques, texture mapping, and the z-buffer. Dr. Catmull is one of the architects of the RenderMan rendering software, which has been used in over 90% of Academy Award® winners for Visual Effects over the past 20 years.

Dr. Catmull is an ACM Turing Award Laureate; he has also been honored with five Academy Awards, including two Oscars for his work and a Lifetime Achievement Award.

Dr. Catmull is active in several professional organizations. He has been a dedicated participant in ACM SIGGRAPH for over 40 years. He is also a member of The Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences, the National Academy of Engineering, and the Visual Effects Society, and he has received numerous awards from these organizations.

Dr. Catmull earned B.S. degrees in physics and computer science and a Ph.D. in computer science from the University of Utah. He has also received honorary Doctorates from the University of Utah and Johns Hopkins University.

After setting up successors, he retired as President of Pixar and Disney Animation on Jan 1, 2019, and is active in consulting, speaking, and advisory work.





Jensen Huang founded NVIDIA in 1993 and has served since its inception as president, chief executive officer, and a member of the board of directors.

Since its founding, NVIDIA has pioneered accelerated computing. The company's invention of the GPU in 1999 sparked the growth of the PC gaming market, redefined computer graphics, and ignited the era of modern AI. NVIDIA is now driving the platform shift of accelerated computing and generative AI, transforming the world's largest industries, and profoundly impacting society.

Huang is a recipient of the Semiconductor Industry Association's highest honor, the Robert N. Noyce Award; IEEE Founder's Medal; the Dr. Morris Chang Exemplary Leadership Award; and honorary doctorate degrees from Taiwan's National Chiao Tung University, National Taiwan University, and Oregon State University. He has been named the world's best CEO by The Economist, Harvard Business Review and Brand Finance, as well as Fortune's Businessperson of the Year and one of TIME magazine's 100 most influential people.

Prior to founding NVIDIA, Huang worked at LSI Logic and Advanced Micro Devices. He holds a BSEE degree from Oregon State University and an MSEE degree from Stanford University.

Informational Link: [Jensen Huang - Wikipedia](#), [Edwin Catmull - Wikipedia](#)

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Zoom Link: Please click the link below to join the webinar:

<https://nvidia.zoom.us/j/94345941669?pwd=WmhPMHIPTUMzTlIXN2ZhYWw1UHJLZz09>

The lectures are open to all members of the Hopkins community. In order to allow for an open exchange between the speaker and the audience we will not record for rebroadcast the lecture.

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