

R. O. M. E. C O L L O Q U I U M :



Research Opportunities in Mathematical Evolution (R.O.M.E.) and the Program for Evolutionary Dynamics (PED) invite you to the second annual R.O.M.E. Colloquium, for a stimulating evening of education, discussion and feasting.

Date: Monday February 13th, 2006

Time: 4:00 – 6:00pm

Location: PED, One Brattle Square, 6th Floor

(see map: <http://www.ped.fas.harvard.edu/location/walking.html>)

Evolution provides a mathematical language for expressing the ways in which a wide variety of systems change over time. R.O.M.E. is an initiative of PED that seeks to engage undergraduate and beginning graduate students in cutting-edge research on evolutionary phenomena and the mathematical principles that underlie them.

This year's colloquium will feature three presentations by past or current ROMEans:

Goutham Seshadri, '06: The Cascade Voter Model

Andrew Laitman, '06: Neural Networks, Hypercomputation, and Sleepwalking Sets

Vivek Rudrapatna, '07: Phylogenetic Analysis of Protein Domain Evolution

While the topics under discussion cut across many fields of inquiry, they are all united by the principles of mathematical evolution.

Opening remarks will be made by **Professor Martin A. Nowak**, Director of the Program for Evolutionary Dynamics, and **Erez Lieberman**, R.O.M.E. organizer and PhD candidate in Applied Physics. A Roman style feast will follow.

For further information, please contact Laura Abbott (labbott@fas.harvard.edu) or Erez Lieberman (elieberm@fas.harvard.edu). Also feel free to check out the PED website (<http://www.ped.fas.harvard.edu>) for more information about ongoing research in Evolutionary Dynamics.