



## **Bernard (Bernie) Shiffman**

I was born in New York City in 1942 and grew up in Palo Alto and Los Angeles. I attended college at MIT, graduating in 1964 with a B.S. in mathematics, and then headed back to California, where I received my Ph.D. in mathematics at Berkeley in 1968. After a brief stint as a visiting graduate student at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, I returned to MIT in 1968 as a postdoctoral researcher and Instructor. I

moved to Yale as an Assistant Professor in 1970 and arrived at Hopkins in 1973, where I have been to the present. At Hopkins, I was twice Chair of the Mathematics Department and I served on the Faculty Editorial Board of the Johns Hopkins University Press and on the Homewood Academic Council; I became Professor Emeritus and Academy Professor in 2019. I served as Editor-in-Chief of the American Journal of Mathematics from 1973 to 1995, and I am currently an Associate Editor. I am a Fellow of the American Mathematical Society and a recipient of a Woodrow Wilson Fellowship (Honorary) in 1964, an Alfred P. Sloan Research Fellowship in 1973, a Woodrow Wilson Faculty Development Award in 1979, and National Science Foundation Research Grants from 1970 to 2020.

I have held short-term visiting positions over the years at various institutes and universities in the U.S., Germany, France, and Sweden. In particular, I enjoyed hiking in the Alps around Grenoble during a series of month-long visits to Université de Grenoble. Over the years, I have lectured in Germany, France, China, Japan, South Korea, Italy, Switzerland, Finland, Hong Kong, Sweden, Poland, Mexico, Norway, Canada, and most recently, Singapore.

I married Doris Yaffe in 1965 and we have two sons and four grandchildren whom we frequently visited in New York City before the pandemic. I was fortunate to have a chance to visit Columbia University during a sabbatical in 2014 when we rented an apartment in Manhattan near our sons and Columbia. Since 2002, we have been spending summers at our house on Cape Cod. Since retiring, I have been expanding my skills in photography as a member of the Cape Cod Art Center (participating now remotely) and continuing my mathematics research. I visited the National University of Singapore in October 2019 and hope to do more traveling when the world gets back to normal.