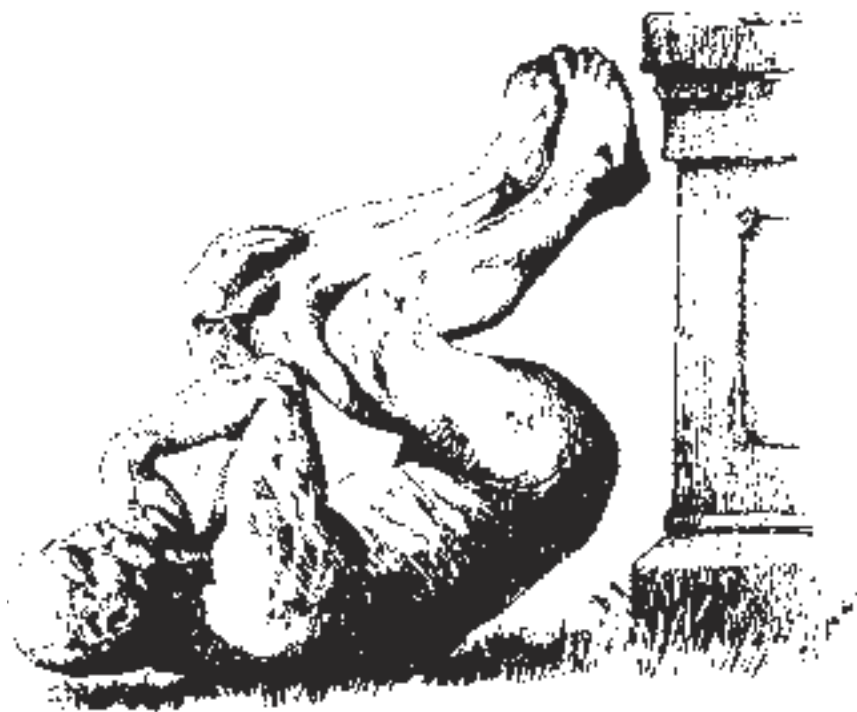


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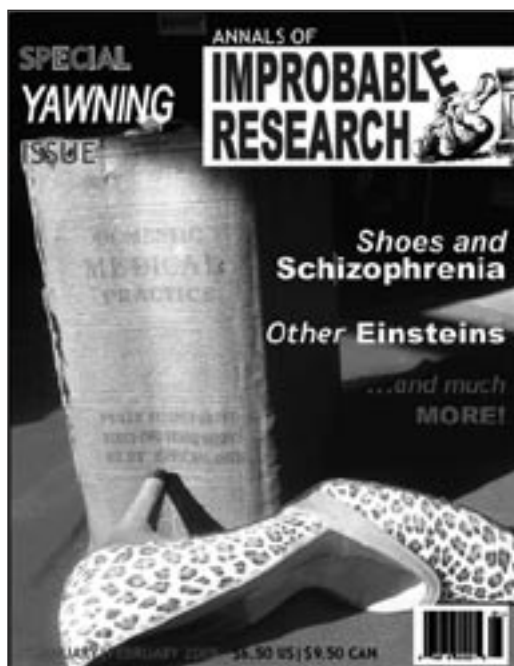
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Ig Nobelliana

Roy Glauber is the Mallinckrodt Professor of Physics at Harvard University. In 2005, after ten years of sweeping paper airplanes at the Ig Nobel Prize ceremonies (though not because of it) he was awarded a Nobel Prize in physics.



Schedule of Events

- Pre-ceremony: “Franz Liszt versus Inertia” (begins at 7:20)
- Appearance of the Ignitaries and Delegations
- The Traditional Ig Nobel “Welcome, Welcome” Speech
- Entrance of the Swedish Meatball Royalty
- Introduction of Past Winners and Nuptialists
- The 24/ 7 Lectures *
- *Inertia Makes the World Go Around: A Mini-Opera in 4 Acts* *
- The Win-a-Date-With-a-Nobel-Laureate Contest
- The Great (and quick) Inertia Debates
- **Awarding of the 2006 Ig Nobel Prizes** * (weather permitting)
- The Traditional Ig Nobel “Goodbye, Goodbye” Speech
- Disappearance of the Audience

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“Franz Liszt versus Inertia”

A special pre-ceremony concert/dance performance will be performed by pianist Michael Hawley, choreographer Verena Wieloch, and a cast of several.

Michael Hawley was first prize co-winner at the 2002 Van Cliburn International Piano Competition for outstanding amateurs. Verena Wieloch is a storied choreographer, dancer and organic farm manager.

This performance will begin promptly at 7:20 p.m., and will lead directly into the beginning of the Ig Nobel Prize ceremony.

Ig Nobelliana

The 1994 broadcast of that year's Ig Nobel Prize ceremony, on NPR's *Science Friday*, program, included the complete, wordless performance of “The Interpretive Dance of the Electrons,” a ballet starring the Nicola Hawkins Dance Company and Nobel Laureates Dudley Herschbach, William Lipscomb and Rich Roberts, with music orchestrated by jazz harpist Deborah Henson-Conant.

Authority-Like Figures

As always, IgBill had incomplete information at press time. You may not be able to tell the players even with this scorecard.

(NOTE: ** indicates name is misspelled)

Producer/Director: Marc Abrahams

Opera Director/Diva: Margot Button

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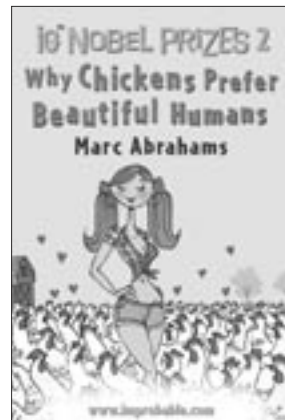
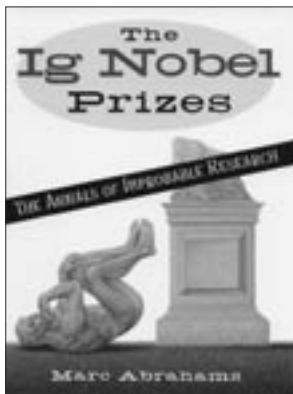
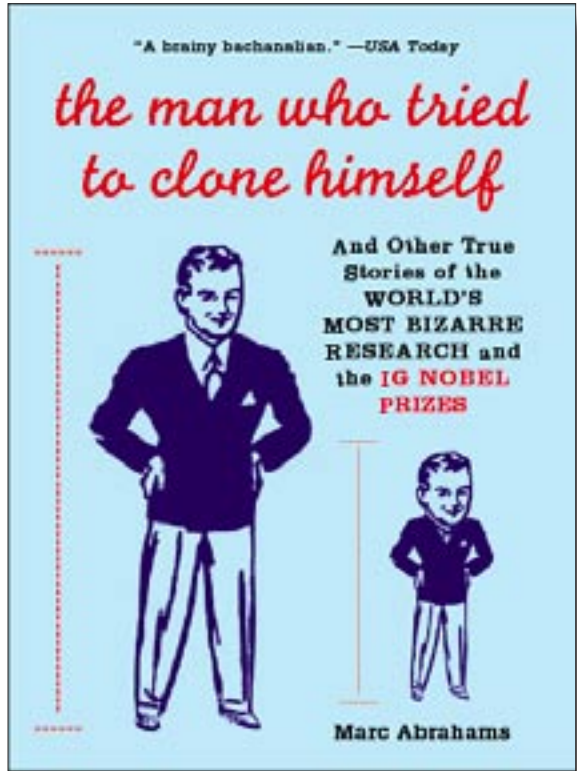
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Marc Abrahams, editor, *Annals of Improbable Research (AIR)*

Nobel Laureates

Jerome Friedman (Physics, 1990)

Roy Glauber (Physics, 2005)

Dudley Herschbach (Chemistry, 1986)

International Atomic Energy Agency, spokesperson Melissa Fleming (Peace, 2005)

William Lipscomb (Chemistry, 1976)

Rich Roberts (Physiology or Medicine, 1993)

Richard Schrock (Chemistry, 2005)

Frank Wilczek (Physics, 2004)

and perhaps some others

“Franz Liszt versus Inertia” Pianist: Michael Hawley

“Franz Liszt versus Inertia” Choreographer: Verena Wieloch

Returning Bride & Groom: Lisa Danielson and Will Stefanov, who were married in a 60-second-long ceremony as part of the 2001 Ig Nobel Prize Ceremony.

Returning Ig Nobel Prize Winners: Don Featherstone (Art Prize 1996), Stefano Ghirlanda (Interdisciplinary Research Prize 2003), Kees Moeliker (Biology Prize 2003)

Welcome Welcome Speaker: Professor Helen Haste

Opera Pianist: Scott Nicholas

Opera Soloists: Margot Button, Gina Beck & Pierre Fontaine

Ig Musicians (The Ig Leaves): Nicholas Carstoiu

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Minordomos: Genevieve Reynolds, Julia Lunetta, Peaco Todd, James Mahoney, Lamar “Bailes” Brown, Tom Ulrich & Natasha Rosenberg.

Prize Deliverers: Sylvia Rosenberg, Ellen Mahoney & Julia Eliseeva

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Goodbye Goodbye Speaker: Professor Helen Haste

Ig Nobel Tours of the U.K. and Europe

In March 2003, 2004, 2005 and 2006, National Science Week in the United Kingdom featured live appearance/performances by Ig Nobel Prize winners, in many cities. There have also been tours in Australia and the Netherlands, and events in Austria, Greece and Sweden and Canada.

For details of upcoming events (including the U.K. tour in March 2007 and the subsequent tour of Europe), see the Improbable Research web site, www.improbable.com.

Ig at AAAS

For a decade now, the Annual Meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science has featured Ig Nobel Prize appearance/performances, hosted by Marc Abrahams. If you are in San Francisco in mid-February 2007, please come to the show at the 2007 Annual Meeting!

Ig on TV

The Japanese Public television network, NHK, produced a special hour-long program about the 2002 Ig Nobel Prize Ceremony. It was broadcast in prime time on Christmas Eve, 2002, and drew approximately 11 million viewers -- the largest audience for any program broadcast on the network that entire year.

The 24/7 Lectures

Each 24/7 Lecture will be delivered by one of the world's great thinkers, and will consist of two parts:

- a **complete technical description** of the subject, in **24 SECONDS**
- a **clear, accurate summary** of the subject, in **SEVEN WORDS**

The time limit and word limit will be **strictly enforced** by **Mr. John Barrett**, the Ig Nobel Referee.

This year's 24/7 lecturers include:

Benoit Mandelbrot, creator of fractal geometry. TOPIC: Fractals

Missy Cummings, aviator and pioneer of technology-human interaction. TOPIC: Automobile Safety

Frank Wilczek, Nobel Laureate in Physics. TOPIC: Dark Matter

Irene Pepperberg, wizard of parrot-human communications.

TOPIC: TBA

William Lipscomb, Nobel Laureate. TOPIC: Inertia

This Year's Theme: INERTIA

Each year's Ig Nobel Prize Ceremony has a new theme. This year's theme is **INERTIA**. The theme applies to the opera and various other goings-on, though not necessarily to any of the particular achievements being honored with an Ig Nobel Prize. The evening includes several possibly inertial activities.

Franz Liszt versus Inertia: Beginning at 7:20, and continuing for about 10 minutes. (See page 7 for details.)

The Great Inertia Debates: The Inertia Debates will happen.

The Mini-Opera: Tonight's ceremony includes the world premiere of a new mini-opera, "Inertia Makes the World Go Around." The main characters are two sisters—one at rest and tending to stay at rest, the other in motion and tending to stay in motion—and the little boy who moves into their neighborhood. The opera stars Margot Button, Simon Chaussé, and many of the distinguished scientists whom you will meet tonight.



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Recent Past Winners

*For references and other details, including links to some of the original prize-winning work, see www.improbable.com and also the books *The Ig Nobel Prizes*, and *The Man Who Tried to Clone Himself*.*

The 2005 Ig Nobel Prize Winners

AGRICULTURAL HISTORY. James Watson of Massey University, New Zealand, for his scholarly study, “The Significance of Mr. Richard Buckley’s Exploding Trousers.”

PHYSICS. John Mainstone and the late Thomas Parnell of the University of Queensland, Australia, for patiently conducting an experiment that began in the year 1927—in which a glob of congealed black tar has been slowly, slowly dripping through a funnel, at a rate of approximately one drop every nine years.

MEDICINE. Gregg A. Miller of Oak Grove, Missouri, for inventing Neuticles—artificial replacement testicles for dogs, which are available in three sizes, and three degrees of firmness.

LITERATURE. The Internet entrepreneurs of Nigeria, for creating and then using e-mail to distribute a bold series of short stories, thus introducing millions of readers to a cast of rich characters—General Sani Abacha, Mrs. Mariam Sanni Abacha, Barrister Jon A. Mbeki Esq., and others—each of whom requires just a small amount of expense money so as to obtain access to the great wealth to which they are entitled and which they would like to share with the kind person who assists them.

PEACE. Claire Rind and Peter Simmons of Newcastle University, in the U.K., for electronically monitoring the activity of a brain cell in a locust while that locust was watching selected highlights from the movie *Star Wars*.

ECONOMICS. Gauri Nanda of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, for inventing an alarm clock that runs away and hides, repeatedly, thus ensuring that people DO get out of bed, and thus theoretically adding many productive hours to the workday.

CHEMISTRY. Edward Cussler of the University of Minnesota and Brian Gtettelfinger of the University of Minnesota and the University of Wisconsin, for conducting a careful experiment to settle the longstanding scientific question: can people swim faster in syrup or in water?

BIOLOGY: Benjamin Smith of the University of Adelaide, Australia and the University of Toronto, Canada and the Firmenich perfume company, Geneva, Switzerland, and ChemComm Enterprises, Archamps, France; Craig Williams of James Cook University and the University of South Australia; Michael Tyler of the University of Adelaide; Brian Williams of the University of Adelaide; and Yoji Hayasaka of the Australian Wine Research Institute, for painstakingly smelling and cataloging the peculiar odors produced by 131 different species of frogs when the frogs were feeling stressed.

NUTRITION: Dr. Yoshiro Nakamats of Tokyo, Japan, for photographing and retrospectively analyzing every meal he has consumed during a period of 34 years (and counting).

FLUID DYNAMICS: Victor Benno Meyer-Rochow of International University Bremen, Germany and the University of Oulu, Finland; and Jozsef Gal of Loránd Eötvös University, Hungary, for using basic principles of physics to calculate the pressure that builds up inside a penguin, as detailed in their report “Pressures Produced When Penguins Pooh—Calculations on Avian Defaecation.”

The 2004 Ig Nobel Prize Winners

MEDICINE. Steven Stack of Wayne State University, Detroit, Michigan, USA and James Gundlach of Auburn University, Auburn, Alabama, USA, for their published report “The Effect of Country

Music on Suicide.”

PHYSICS. Ramesh Balasubramaniam of the University of Ottawa, and Michael Turvey of the University of Connecticut and Haskins Laboratory, for exploring and explaining the dynamics of hula-hooping.

PUBLIC HEALTH. Jillian Clarke of the Chicago High School for Agricultural Sciences, and then Howard University, for investigating the scientific validity of the Five-Second Rule about whether it's safe to eat food that's been dropped on the floor.

CHEMISTRY. The Coca-Cola Company of Great Britain, for using advanced technology to convert ordinary tap water into Dasani, a transparent form of water, which for precautionary reasons has been made unavailable to consumers.

ENGINEERING. Donald J. Smith and his father, the late Frank J. Smith, of Orlando Florida, USA, for patenting the combover (U.S. Patent #4,022,227).

LITERATURE. The American Nudist Research Library of Kissimmee, Florida, USA, for preserving nudist history so that everyone can see it.

PSYCHOLOGY. Daniel Simons of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and Christopher Chabris of Harvard University, for demonstrating that when people pay close attention to something, it's all too easy to overlook anything else -- even a woman in a gorilla suit.

ECONOMICS. The Vatican, for outsourcing prayers to India.

PEACE. Daisuke Inoue of Hyogo, Japan, for inventing karaoke, thereby providing an entirely new way for people to learn to tolerate each other.

BIOLOGY. Ben Wilson of the University of British Columbia, Lawrence Dill of Simon Fraser University [Canada], Robert Batty of the Scottish Association for Marine Science, Magnus Whalberg of the University of Aarhus [Denmark], and Hakan Westerberg of Sweden's National Board of Fisheries, for showing that herrings apparently communicate by farting.

The 2003 Ig Nobel Prize Winners

ENGINEERING. The late John Paul Stapp, the late Edward A. Murphy, Jr., and George Nichols, for jointly giving birth in 1949 to Murphy's Law, the basic engineering principle that "If there are two or more ways to do something, and one of those ways can result in a catastrophe, someone will do it" (or, in other words: "If anything can go wrong, it will").

PHYSICS. Jack Harvey, John Culvenor, Warren Payne, Steve Cowley, Michael Lawrance, David Stuart, and Robyn Williams of Australia, for their irresistible report "An Analysis of the Forces Required to Drag Sheep over Various Surfaces."

MEDICINE. Eleanor Maguire, David Gadian, Ingrid Johnsrude, Catriona Good, John Ashburner, Richard Frackowiak, and Christopher Frith of University College London, for presenting evidence that the brains of London taxi drivers are more highly developed than those of their fellow citizens.

PSYCHOLOGY. Gian Vittorio Caprara and Claudio Barbaranelli of the University of Rome, and Philip Zimbardo of Stanford University, for their discerning report "Politicians' Uniquely Simple Personalities."

CHEMISTRY. Yukio Hirose of Kanazawa University, for his chemical investigation of a bronze statue, in the city of Kanazawa, that fails to attract pigeons.

LITERATURE. John Trinkaus, of the Zicklin School of Business, New York City, for publishing more than 100 academic reports about things that annoy him.

ECONOMICS. Karl Schwärzler and the nation of Liechtenstein, for making it possible to rent the entire country for corporate conventions, weddings, bar mitzvahs, and other gatherings.

INTERDISCIPLINARY RESEARCH. Stefano Ghirlanda, Liselotte Jansson, and Magnus Enquist of Stockholm University, for their inevitable report "Chickens Prefer Beautiful Humans."

PEACE. Lal Bihari, of Uttar Pradesh, India, for a triple accomplishment: First, for leading an active life even though he has been declared legally dead; Second, for waging a lively posthumous campaign against bureaucratic inertia and greedy relatives; and Third, for creating the Association of Dead People.

BIOLOGY. C.W. Moeliker, of Natuurmuseum Rotterdam, the Netherlands, for documenting the first scientifically recorded case of homosexual necrophilia in the mallard duck.

The 2002 Ig Nobel Prize Winners

BIOLOGY. Norma E. Bubier, Charles G.M. Paxton, Phil Bowers, and D. Charles Deeming of the United Kingdom, for their report “Courtship Behaviour of Ostriches Towards Humans Under Farming Conditions in Britain.”

PHYSICS. Arnd Leike of the University of Munich, for demonstrating that beer froth obeys the mathematical Law of Exponential Decay.

INTERDISCIPLINARY RESEARCH. Karl Kruszelnicki of The University of Sydney, for performing a comprehensive survey of human belly button lint -- who gets it, when, what color, and how much.

CHEMISTRY. Theodore Gray of Wolfram Research, in Champaign, Illinois, for gathering many elements of the periodic table, and assembling them into the form of a four-legged periodic table table.

MATHEMATICS. K.P. Sreekumar and the late G. Nirmalan of Kerala Agricultural University, India, for their analytical report “Estimation of the Total Surface Area in Indian Elephants.”

LITERATURE. Vicki L. Silvers of the University of Nevada-Reno and David S. Kreiner of Central Missouri State University, for their colorful report “The Effects of Pre-Existing Inappropriate Highlighting on Reading Comprehension.”

PEACE. Keita Sato, President of Takara Co., Dr. Matsumi Suzuki, President of Japan Acoustic Lab, and Dr. Norio Kogure, Executive Director, Kogure Veterinary Hospital, for promoting peace and harmony between the species by inventing Bow-Lingual, a computer-based automatic dog-to-human language translation device.

HYGIENE. Eduardo Segura, of Lavakan de Aste, in Tarragona, Spain, for inventing a washing machine for cats and dogs.

ECONOMICS. The executives, corporate directors, and auditors of Enron, Lernaut & Hauspie, Adelphia, Bank of Commerce and Credit International, Cendant, CMS Energy, Duke Energy, Dynegey, Gazprom, Global Crossing, HIH Insurance, Informix, Kmart, Maxwell Communications, McKessonHBOC, Merrill Lynch, Merck, Peregrine Systems, Qwest Communications, Reliant Resources, Rent-Way, Rite Aid, Sunbeam, Tyco, Waste Management, WorldCom, Xerox, and Arthur Andersen, for adapting the mathematical concept of imaginary numbers for use in the business world.

MEDICINE. Chris McManus of University College London, for his excruciatingly balanced report, “Scrotal Asymmetry in Man and in Ancient Sculpture.”

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The Ig Nobel Prizes are the subject of a question in the latest
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