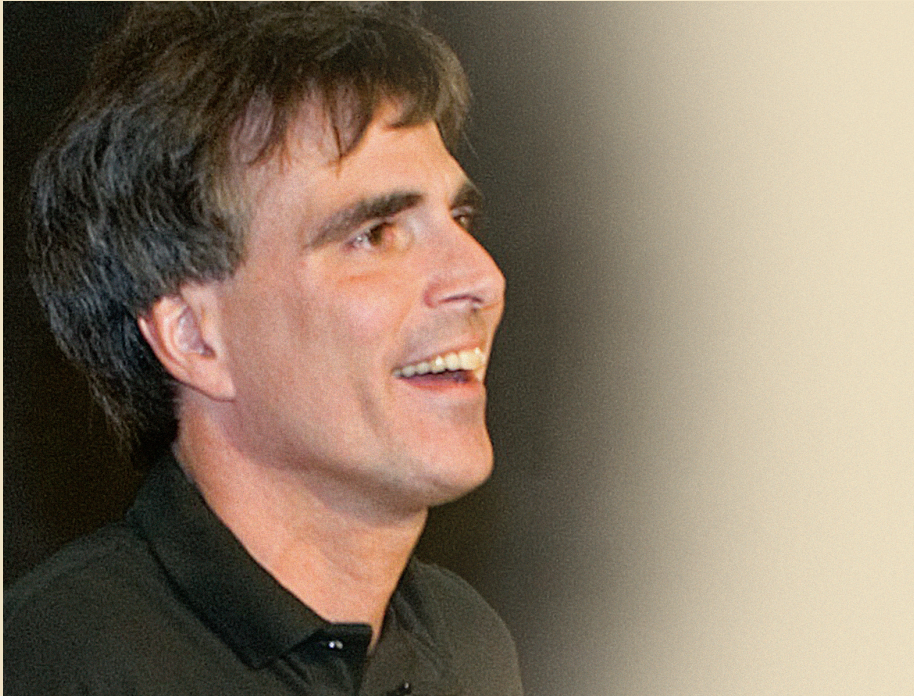
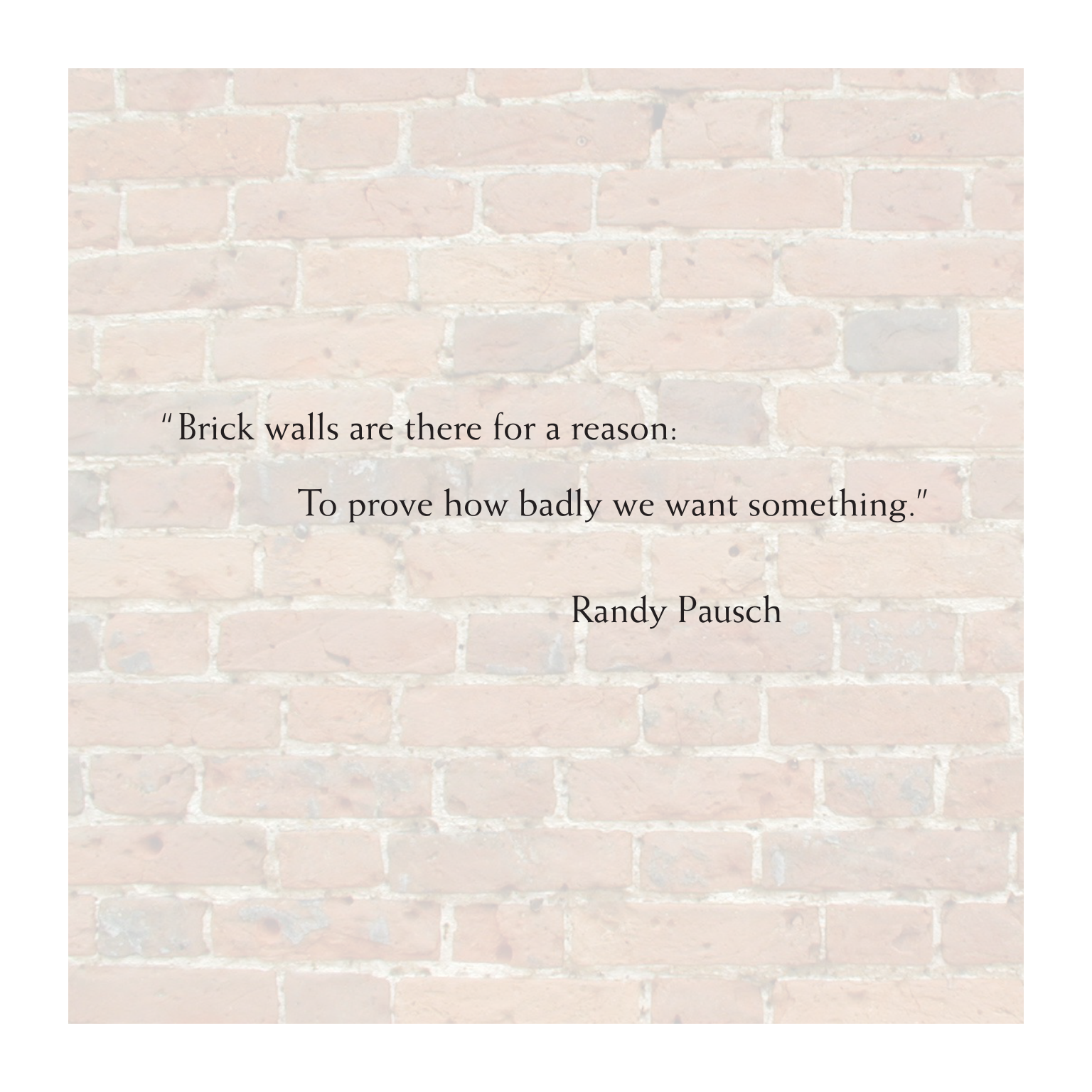


Remembering Randy



A Celebration of the
Life and Legacy of Randy Pausch

September 22, 2008
4:30-6 p.m.
Rangos Ballroom
Carnegie Mellon University



"Brick walls are there for a reason:

To prove how badly we want something."

Randy Pausch

In every place he worked, Randy Pausch brought Wonderland to life.

Randy invented Alice, the programming environment that taught students from middle school to college to program while telling their stories with animated characters. He created the course Building Virtual Worlds, in which students learned to work in interdisciplinary teams to create interactive worlds. He went on to co-found the Carnegie Mellon Entertainment Technology Center, where students and colleagues are inspired to combine technology and art to create new processes, tools, and vision for storytelling and entertainment. His research with colleagues in cognitive science, perception, and human-computer interaction broke new ground in understanding people's interactions with technology. He inspired our community to be more ambitious, more collaborative, more inclusive, and to be courageous and joyful.

At Carnegie Mellon, we have always known that Randy Pausch was a truly special person. Just over a year ago, millions more became aware of Randy when he delivered a lecture that made the world stop and pay attention. It became an Internet sensation viewed by millions, an international media story, and a best-selling book that has been published in 35 languages. To this day, people everywhere continue to talk about Randy, share his message and put his life lessons into action in their own lives.

Today, we come together on the Carnegie Mellon campus that Randy held dear to pay him tribute, to acknowledge the profound impact he has made on each of us, and to celebrate his colorful life and enduring legacy.

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Welcome

RANDY BRYANT

Dean, School of Computer Science;
University Professor of Computer Science
Carnegie Mellon University

Reflections

ANDY VAN DAM

Thomas J. Watson, Jr. University Professor of Technology and
Education; Professor of Computer Science
Brown University

JESSICA HODGINS

Professor, Computer Science and Robotics
Carnegie Mellon University

DENNIS PROFFITT

Commonwealth Professor of Psychology
University of Virginia

DAN SIEWIOREK

Director, Human-Computer Interaction Institute;
Buhl University Professor of Computer Science and Electrical and
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*Reflections
cont.*

DENNIS COSGROVE
Project Scientist, Human-Computer Interaction Institute
Carnegie Mellon University

DON MARINELLI
Co-Founder and Executive Producer,
Entertainment Technology Center
Carnegie Mellon University

JESSE SCHELL
Assistant Professor of Entertainment Technology
Carnegie Mellon University

JARED L. COHON
President
Carnegie Mellon University

REVEREND DAVID HERNDON
Minister
First Unitarian Church of Pittsburgh

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Randy changed my life ... I had the honor of serving as a teaching assistant for Building Virtual Worlds, and Randy's faith in me guided me to an internship at Disney World, which really was a childhood dream come true.
CHERYL PLATZ (CS 2002)

Taking Randy's Building Virtual Worlds course changed my entire perspective on how computer science can help change the world. Randy changed my life. If it weren't for him I would not have found my passion. Thank you Randy. Thank you so much!!!!
SEUNG CHAN LIM (CS 1999)

I have always felt fortunate and extremely proud to have graduated from Carnegie Mellon University. Occasionally events happen that make me even more proud to be a graduate. The dignity and class with which Randy Pausch dealt with his illness and the way that he inspired so many through his last lecture is one of those events.

ROBERT ISEMAN
(E 1969, E 1971, TPR 1975)

Randy took a chance and allowed me, a writing student, into an interface design class. It was one of the two best classes of my grad career; it changed the way I looked at everything.

The stuffed bear I won in that class has a place of honor in my home... Randy was insightful, outrageously energetic, and inspirational... I am so grateful that he was part of my life.
JENNIFER SKIENDZIELEWSKI
(HS 1998)

I had the good fortune to be a graduate student with Randy at Carnegie Mellon in the 1980s. Randy was a good friend, a character, and one of many people who made computer science at Carnegie Mellon a very interesting and fun place to be.
DAVID BLACK (CS 1988, 1990)



After learning of Randy's diagnosis I wrote to him asking him if he remembered me – within 30 minutes he shot back an email. Albeit the exchange was brief, whenever I'm down I keep remembering what he wrote. I have the email taped to my wall as a reminder of him. Thank you, Randy, for giving of yourself so unselfishly. You continue to inspire me on a daily basis.

What a gift!
ROBYN MCGOWAN
(HNZ 1997)

While I did not know Randy or attend one of his classes during my time at Carnegie Mellon, hearing his lecture and reading his book has been an inspiration to me and my family. I wish that I had the opportunity to attend one of Randy's classes, but it is my honor to be associated with the same institution as he.

ANTHONY DESANTIS
(HNZ 2004)

Entering Carnegie Mellon as a freshman, I remember myself being a scared, lonely, homesick kid. Professor Pausch's advice helped me tackle obstacles, see the good in people and most importantly, showed me how great Carnegie Mellon is.

CHRISTOPHER SOO (S 2011)

Randy was my roommate for two years in graduate school. He was a great friend and pleasure to live with. What always impressed me about him was his zest for life and the simple joy he found in living. He will be missed. Truly a life well lived!!

DAVID SOLOFF (A 1986)

As a freshman undergraduate in the spring of 1983, I was fortunate enough to have Randy as a teaching assistant. It was his first year at Carnegie Mellon as well. The attention he lavished on me and my fellow students was unique among TAs. His wit and command of the subject matter left a lasting, positive impression on me.

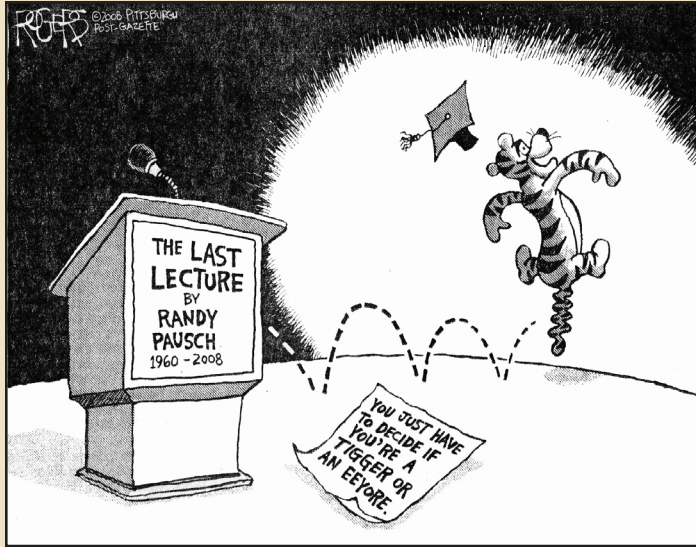
ED TECOT (E 1986)

Such a brilliant, positive, charismatic individual... He provides inspiration to us all. I missed out on taking a class with Professor Pausch during my time at Carnegie Mellon, but I'm truly proud to hail from the same institution as Dr. Pausch.

ASHWINI RANJAN (S 2006)



Randy Pausch
In Our Hearts



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