

Created by experts in science, humanities, and the arts, the works collected in *Places & Spaces* convey the excitement of scientific progress and discovery. An interdisciplinary, international advisory board chose each one of these works as an outstanding example of how visualization can bring patterns in data into focus.

Throughout the exhibit you will see two kinds of visualizations: static **maps** and interactive **macroscopes**.

Maps serve as navigational tools, documenting the landscape, warning of hazards, and highlighting potential routes of travel. **Maps** of science chart the more abstract spaces of data and knowledge, helping forecast new fields of inquiry.

Macroscopes are flexible, dynamic software tools, most useful for data exploration and discovery. While maps document the lay of the land, macroscopes are often developed to observe the landscape of science from different points of view.

Take a journey of discovery and delight through the world of data. Let the maps and macroscopes of *Places & Spaces* tell their stories, because what purpose does all this data serve if not to tell stories and provide a basis for better decision-making?

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