

Artwork: Joshua Davis

Coding for Islamic Geometric Patterns

VA345 Creative Coding

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# Food for thought : Joshua Davis

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Joshua Davis (born June 13, 1971) is an American designer, technologist, author and artist in new media.

He is best known as the creator of praystation.com, winner of the Prix Ars Electronica 2001 Golden Nica for "Net Vision / Net Excellence". An early adopter of open-source, offering the source code of the praystation.com composition and animation developments to the public.

Davis had a role in designing the visualization of IBM's Watson, the intelligent computer program capable of answering questions, for the quiz show Jeopardy.

His work has been inducted into the Smithsonian's Cooper Hewitt Design Museum, National Design Triennial 2006 "Design Life Now", and has spoken at the TED and 99U conferences about his career in algorithmic image making and open source.

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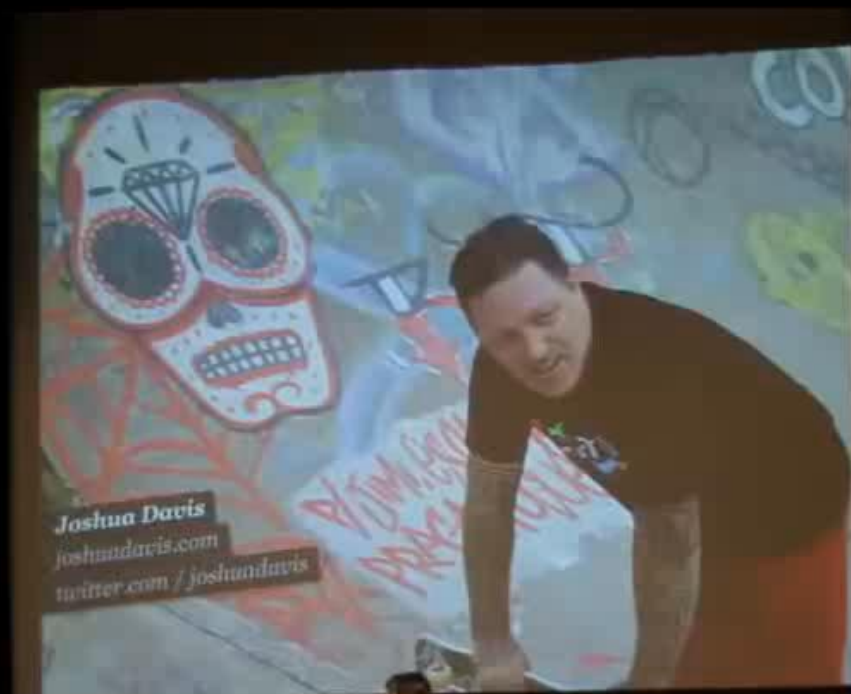
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# Color Picking

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- Save Image with *GIF 32 No Dither* to Reduce color complexity
- Use Color Picking Tool

# Grades so far

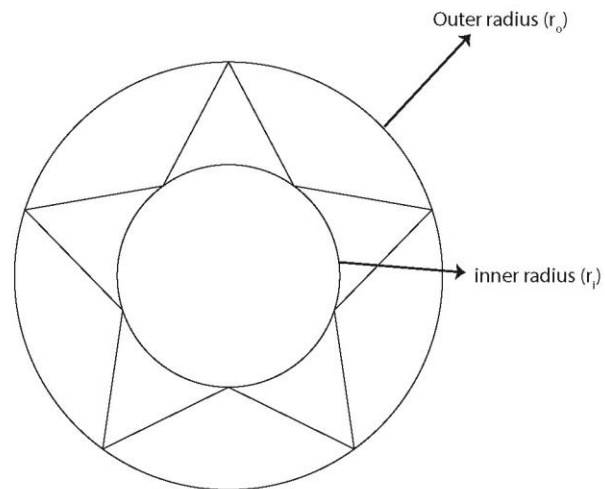
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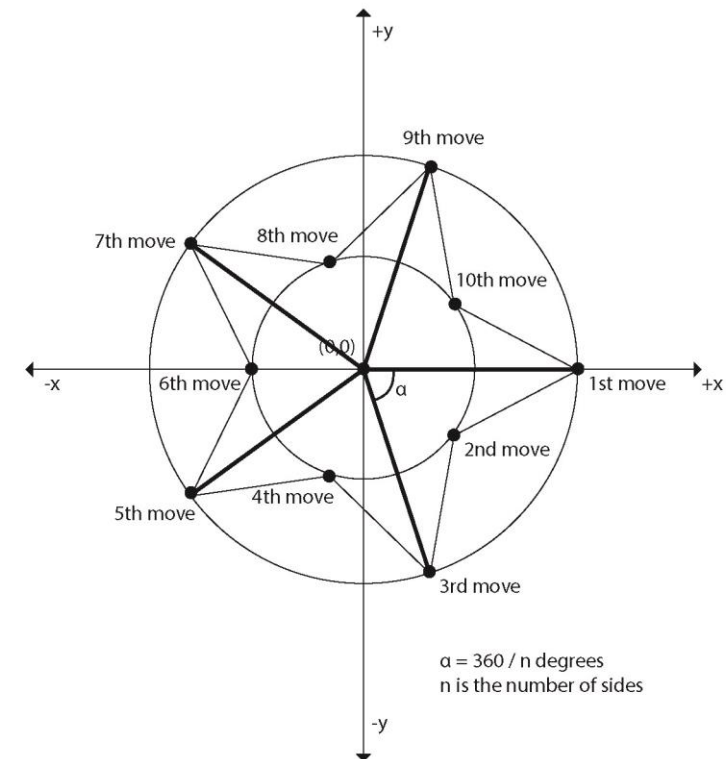
### Coding an Islamic Geometric Pattern / Cappella Palatina

Every star has an inner radius and an outer radius.



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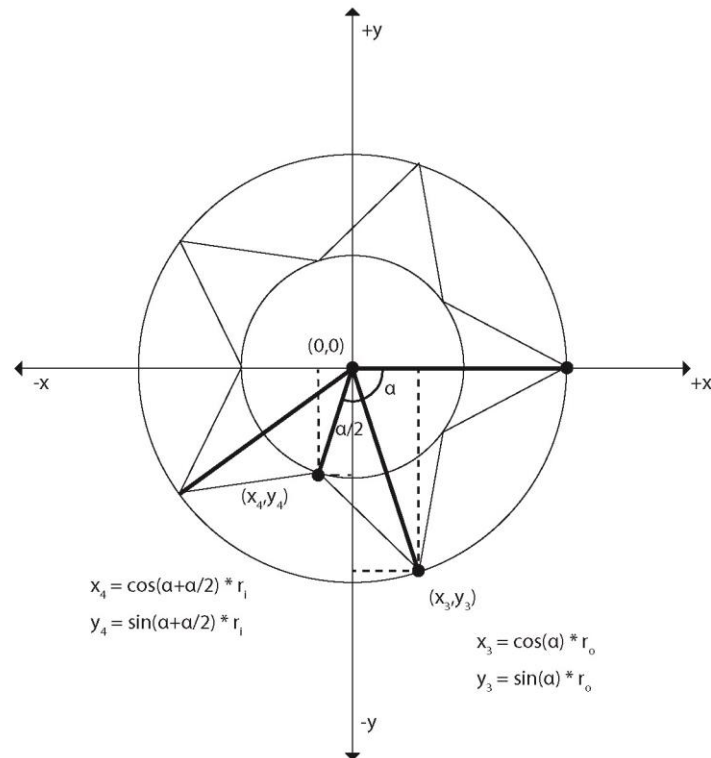
We are observing a two step repetitive angular movement referenced from a center.





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Lets for the moment skip the first two step movement and concentrate the second two step movement for simplicity.



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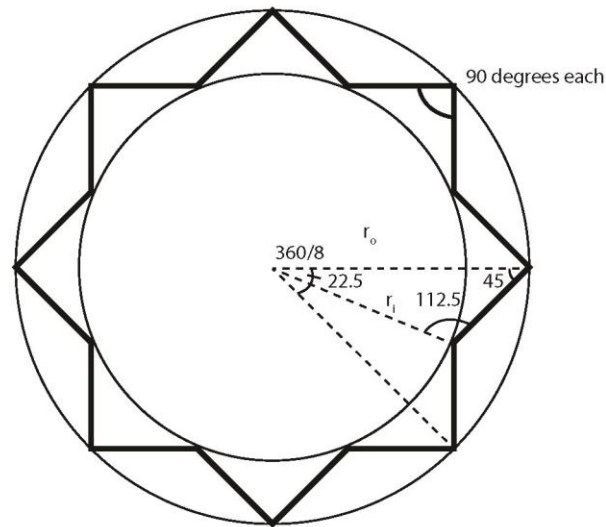
The loop can be based on this algorithm. Note we are using Radians in here.

```
let angle = TWO_PI / npoints;
let halfAngle = angle / 2.0;

for (let a = 0; a < TWO_PI; a += angle) {
  let sx = x + cos(a) * radius2;
  let sy = y + sin(a) * radius2;
  vertex(sx, sy);
  sx = x + cos(a + halfAngle) * radius1;
  sy = y + sin(a + halfAngle) * radius1;
  vertex(sx, sy);
}
```

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For this particular star shape, we need to find a relation between the outer and the inner circle.  
Applying basic trigonometry, we may find a correlation between the outer ( $r_o$ ) and inner radius ( $r_i$ )



$$\frac{r_i}{\sin 45^\circ} = \frac{r_o}{\sin 112.5^\circ}$$

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Let's assemble this relation into our ccode

```
let outerRadius = 180;
let innerRadius;

function setup() {
  innerRadius = outerRadius * (sin(radians(45)) / sin(radians(112.5)));
  createCanvas(400, 400);
}

function draw() {
  background(102);
  push();
  translate(width * 0.5, height * 0.5);
  noFill();
  starPattern(0, 0, innerRadius, outerRadius, 8);
  pop();
}

function starPattern(x, y, radius1, radius2, npoints) {
  stroke(0, 0, 0);
  let angle = TWO_PI / npoints;
  let halfAngle = angle / 2.0;
  beginShape();
  for (let a = 0; a < TWO_PI; a += angle) {
    let sx = x + cos(a) * radius2;
    let sy = y + sin(a) * radius2;
    vertex(sx, sy);
    sx = x + cos(a + halfAngle) * radius1;
    sy = y + sin(a + halfAngle) * radius1;
    vertex(sx, sy);
  }
  endShape(CLOSE);
}
```

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Here is the Tile Class

```
//Tile class
class Tile {
  constructor(r) {
    this.x = 0;
    this.y = 0;
    this.radius1;
    this.radius2 = r;
    this.npoints = 8;
    this.radius1 = this.radius2 * (sin(radians(45)) / sin(radians(112.5)));
  }

  display() {

    push();
    let angle = TWO_PI / this.npoints;
    let halfAngle = angle / 2.0;
    beginShape();
    for (let a = 0; a < TWO_PI; a += angle) {
      let sx = this.x + cos(a) * this.radius2;
      let sy = this.y + sin(a) * this.radius2;
      vertex(sx, sy);
      sx = this.x + cos(a + halfAngle) * this.radius1;
      sy = this.y + sin(a + halfAngle) * this.radius1;
      vertex(sx, sy);
    }
    endShape(CLOSE);
    pop();
  }
}
```

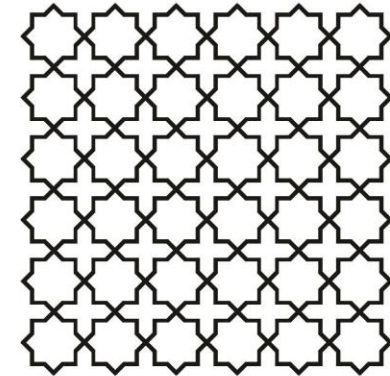
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Here is the Tessellation

```
let tiles = []; // Declare array
let nRow;
let nCol;
let radius = 16;

function setup() {
  createCanvas(832, 832);
  nRow = floor(height / (2*radius));
  nCol = floor(width / (2*radius));
  for (let i = 0; i < nRow * nCol; i++) {
    tiles.push(new Tile(32));
  }
}

function draw() {
  background(255);
  noFill();
  stroke(0);
  push();
  translate(2*radius, 2*radius);
  for (let r = 0; r < nRow; r++) {
    for (let c = 0; c < nCol; c++) {
      push();
      translate(4*radius * c, 4*radius * r);
      tiles[r + c * nRow].display();
      pop();
    }
  }
  pop();
}
```





## Guest Lecturer: Next Week Phillippe Pasquier



I am a professor in the School of Interactive Arts and Technology of Simon Fraser University's Faculty of Communication, Arts and Technology since January 2008. There, I am conducting both a scientific and artistic research agenda. My research focuses on the theory and practice of Artificial Intelligence, i.e., endowing machines with autonomous behaviours, with a focus on creative and artistic applications. At the Metacreation Lab for Creative AI, we are conducting work and research in three directions which I believe to be in synergy.



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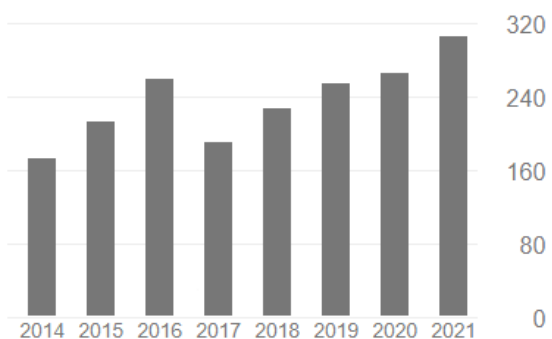
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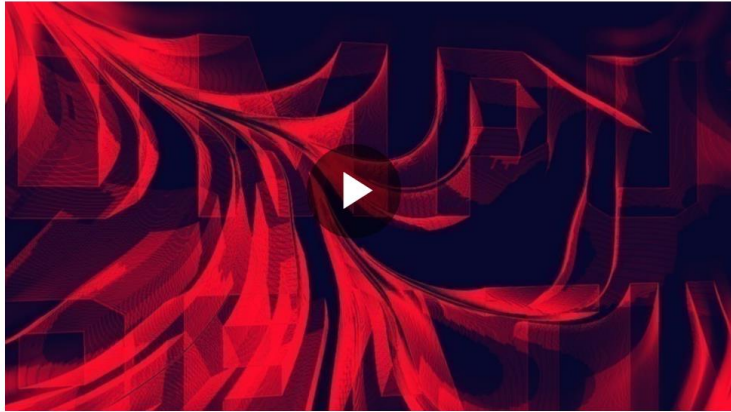
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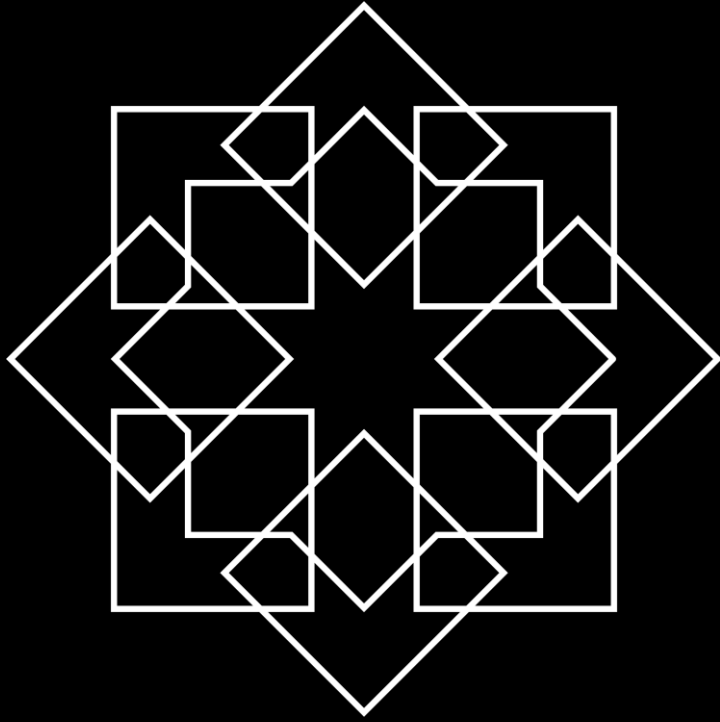
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Assignment 007

**Code an Islamic Geometric Pattern / Shalla Tombs, Morocco**  
**Handdraw, Vector draw (illustrator), Code**



Forthcoming: Assignment 008

# Exhibition Project

## Islamic Geometric Patterns

Islamic geometric patterns are one of the major forms of Islamic ornament, which tends to avoid using figurative images, as it is forbidden to create a representation of an important Islamic figure according to many holy scriptures.

The geometric designs in Islamic art are often built on combinations of repeated squares and circles, which may be overlapped and interlaced, as can arabesques (with which they are often combined), to form intricate and complex patterns, including a wide variety of tessellations. These may constitute the entire decoration, may form a framework for floral or calligraphic embellishments, or may retreat into the background around other motifs. The complexity and variety of patterns used evolved from simple stars and lozenges in the ninth century, through a variety of 6- to 13-point patterns by the 13th century, and finally to include also 14- and 16-point stars in the sixteenth century.

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