## **CCSU** DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICAL SCIENCES

# COLLOQUIUM

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# PLAYING WITH CURVES ON SURFACES, PART I

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<u>Abstract:</u> Many beautiful concepts in low-dimensional topology (and geometry) involve the study of curves on surfaces. I will try to explain and illustrate a few of these, including the curve complex, the mapping class group, and the notion of foliations. Then I will show how to use some of these ideas in the construction of an interesting family of hyperbolic manifolds of dimension 3.

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