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Donald Knuth is a computer scientist and Professor Emeritus of the Art of Computer Programming at Stanford University. He has done pioneering work on the analysis of computer algorithms. He invented the TeX computer typesetting system and the METAFONT font definition language, and he created the WEB and CWEB software systems to promote literate programming. He is the author of numerous books and technical articles, but perhaps he is best known for his multivolume masterpiece, *The Art of Computer Programming*.

Prof. Knuth has received the ACM Grace Murray Hopper Award, the ACM Turing Award, the National Medal of Science, the John von Neumann Medal, and the Kyoto Prize. He is an Associate of the French Academy of Sciences, a Fellow of the Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics, and a member of the Norwegian Academy of Science and Letters. He received his Ph.D. in Mathematics from the California Institute of Technology. He joined the Stanford faculty in 1968.

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