Abstract: In this talk we will explore symmetries of geometric and algebraic structures and realize elegant connections that continue to inspire research in algebraic geometry.

Background: Colloquium level talk for math faculty and students. The assumption will be that the audience has seen some algebra and analysis as a math major.

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