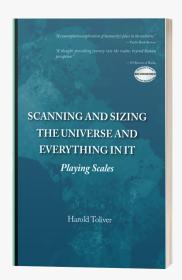


## Harold Toliver Explores the Scales of Existence in 'Scanning and Sizing the Universe and Everything in It'

Former UC professor combines science, poetry, and philosophy in a meditative work on the universe and human perception.

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Amid a cultural moment marked by complexity and existential questioning, this book provides a fresh intellectual framework. It explores the conceptual "scales" used to understand physical and metaphysical realms—revealing how systems of measurement influence interpretations of existence itself.

With a long-standing academic career rooted in literature, Toliver brings a unique perspective to these inquiries. He has served as Professor of English, American, and Comparative Literature at the University of California, with prior appointments at Johns Hopkins, UCLA, Ohio State University, and the University of Washington. In his post-retirement years, Toliver has focused on the convergence of science and the humanities, examining how cultural myths intersect with scientific understandings.

In "Scanning and Sizing the Universe and Everything in It: Playing Scales," Toliver navigates between the empirical and the poetic with ease, using language that is both intellectually

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