

**Ninth Annual Neuropsychology  
Research Day  
September 16, 2011**

**9:00-9:05 AM**      **Opening Remarks**  
**Joshua Brumberg, Ph.D.**  
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**Session I: 9:05-10:20**

**Moderator: Maureen O'Connor, J.D., Ph.D.**  
Professor of Psychology at John Jay College  
Executive Officer, Doctoral Programs in Psychology  
The Graduate Center, CUNY

9:05-9:20      **The Noise That Rocks the Cradle: An Investigation into Prenatal Auditory Exposure and Fetal Stress.** *Elana Ying Mystal (Nomura lab) Queens College*

9:20-9:35      **Functional Lateralization of Adult Neurogenesis in an Avian Model of Higher Order Auditory Processing.** *Shuk Tsoi (Pytte lab) Queens College*

9:35-9:50      **Pragmatic Deficits and Social Impairment in Children with ADHD.** *Katya Staikova (Halperin lab) Queens College*

9:50-10:05      **The Cognitive and Metabolic Consequences of Emotion and Cognition Interactions.** *Justin Storbeck, Ph.D. (Storbeck lab) Queens College*

10:05-10:20      **Executive Dysfunction and Treatment Response in Late-Life Depression.** *Monique Pimontel (Sneed lab) Queens College*

10:20-10:45      Coffee Break

**Session II: 10:40-12:00**

**Moderator: Justin Storbeck, Ph.D.**  
Department of Psychology, Queens College, CUNY

10:45-11:00      **Qualitative and quantitative methods in the assessment of MRI signal hyperintensities in late-life depression.** *Emily Cohen (Sneed lab) Queens College*

- 11:00-11:15      **Mate Preferences as a Function of Beauty, Status, and Attachment Security.** *Alison Baren (Brumbaugh lab) Queens College*
- 11:15-11:30      **An Animal Conflict Model of Abstinence and Relapse.** *Joshua Peck (Ranaldi Lab) Queens College*
- 11:30-11:45      **A Social-Neurocognitive Approach to Sex, Drugs, and Risk.** *Bill Kowalczyk and Louisa Thompson (Golub lab) Hunter College*
- 11:45-12:00      **Dopamine and Opioids Modulate Fructose-Conditioned Flavor Preferences in BALB/c and SWR Inbred Mice.** *Tamar Kraft (Bodnar lab) Queens College*

12:00-1:00      Lunch

**Session III: Keynote Address**

1:00-2:45      **Welcome**

Dean Larry Liebovitch

Dean of Math and Natural Sciences, Queens College, CUNY

**Graduate Research at CUNY and Alumnus Welcome**

Richard Bodnar, Ph.D.

Dean of Research and Graduate Studies, Queens College, CUNY

Former Chairman, Psychology Department

Professor of Psychology, Queens College, CUNY

and The Graduate Center, CUNY

**Introduction of Keynote Speaker**

Jeffrey Halperin, Ph.D.

Professor of Psychology, Queens College, CUNY

and The Graduate Center, CUNY

**Keynote Address: *The Social Brain – in Action and at ‘Rest’ – in Autism Spectrum Disorders***

Alex Martin, Ph.D.

Senior Investigator and Head of the Laboratory of Brain and

Cognition at the NIH National Institute of Mental Health

2:45-3:05      Break

**Session IV: 3:05-4:30**

**Moderator: Claudia Brumbaugh, Ph.D.**

Department of Psychology, Queens College, CUNY

3:05-3:20      **Normal Neuronal Functioning Depends on the Presence of the Extracellular Matrix.** *Philip Chu, Faraz Khan, Andrew Cristi, and Reena Abraham (Brumberg lab) Queens College*

- 3:20-3:35 **Effect of Vascular Endothelial Growth Factor on Glucose Transport in the Hippocampus after Status Epilepticus.** *Kerri A. Scorpio, Filza Jamil, Agnieszka Michalik, and Bobby Thomas (Croll lab) Queens College*
- 3:35-3:50 **Perceptual, Affective, and Attentional Aspects in Processing Emotional Chimeric Faces.** *Karin Alterescu, Joan C. Borod, Ph.D., Erica Meltzer, David McCabe, Kimberley R. Savage, Adina Lemel, Peryl Grossman, & Kerri Scorpio (Borod lab) Queens College*
- 3:50-4:05 **Cognition-Emotion Integration in the Context of Cognitive Control.** *Nicholas T. Van Dam (Fan lab) Queens College*
- 4:05-4:20 **Position Selectivity of Mechanisms Underlying 3D Shape Perception.** *Carole Filangieri (Li lab) Queens College*
- 4:20-4:35 **Utilization Rates of Computerized Test Batteries Among Clinical Neuropsychologists in the U.S. and Canada.** *Amanda Spadaccini, Kevin Grant, Laura Rabin, Milushka Charcape, and Bill Barr (Rabin lab) Brooklyn College*