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***on Autism Research: from underlying mechanisms
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**presented by
Dr. Eynat Gal**

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Faculty of Social Welfare and Health Studies
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on

***Tuesday, April 8, 2008
at 12 Noon***

at

**Hillel at Syracuse University –
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102 Walnut Place
Syracuse, NY 13210**

Dr. Eynat Gal is a faculty member of Social Welfare and Health Studies in the Department of Occupational Therapy at the University of Haifa and works at the Research Institute for Health and Medical Professions, Ono Academic College in Israel.

Dr. Gal completed her bachelor and master degrees in occupational therapy (Hebrew University of Jerusalem) and her Ph.D. at the Curtin University of Technology, Western Australia (2006) where she specialized in sensory processing and autism. She was a post-doctoral fellow at Bar Ilan (2006) and Boston (2007) Universities. Dr. Gal has had many years of clinical experience as an occupational therapist with children with ASD and other developmental disabilities. Her research focuses on investigation of underlying mechanisms that stand at the base of Autistic behaviours such as sensory and social deficits, as well as functional aspects of Autism and other developmental disabilities. Dr. Gal won the Best Autism Dissertation award at the 2006 International Meeting for Autism Research. She also developed an instrument for assessing sensory processing disorders, and recently developed virtual reality technology for vocational assessment to enable people with disabilities to participate in jobs according to their abilities.

~ Complimentary Lunch will be served ~
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