GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES FILM SERIES

FEATURING

THE AUTISM ENIGMA

Autism is the fastest rising developmental disorder in the industrialized world. With an astounding 600% increase in the disorder in the last 20 years, scientists are still grappling with its cause. Research has been frustratingly inconclusive, but the emerging theme is that autism is triggered by environment, not heredity, and that our toxic lifestyle is now proving too much for children to bear.

Now, with a new understanding of how gut bacteria can affect the brain, researchers have begun to focus their attention on an unexpected place. *The Autism Enigma* looks at the progress of an international group of scientists examining the gut's amazingly diverse, and powerful microbial ecosystem for clues to the baffling disorder, and the extraordinary efforts of parents who have been relentlessly pushing science forward in hopes of finding answers for their children's condition.

April is National Autism Awareness Month. This film was selected to raise awareness about autism and issues within the autism community.



Attendees are welcome to bring their own lunch. Free snacks will be provided!



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