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Speaking Engagements

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Professional Presentations

- NJACE Adult Issues Webinar series. (2019, May 30th). "Introduction to Autism Spectrum Disorders, Adult Issues." Co-presenter with Kerry Magro, Ed.D. Online.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FexYOglSkCE>
- Region V Council for Special Education Paraprofessional Workshop. (2019, May 23rd). "Student Behavior: Don't Take It Personally!" Co-presenter with Nicole Turon-Diaz, MA Ed./SpEd., BCBA. New Milford High School, New Milford, NJ.
- Parent workshop (2019, Mar. 20th). "Sexuality on the Spectrum: What We Know and What We Don't Know." Co-presenter with Peter Gerhardt, Ed.D. EPIC School, Paramus, NJ.
- CA 18th Annual Conference (2019, Mar. 6th). "Sexuality and the Spectrum: Lessons on Sex, Dating, and Love, Autism Style." The Westin Richmond, Richmond, VA.
- CA 18th Annual Conference (2019, Mar. 6th). Keynote speaker. "Entering Adulthood with Autism: What We Know and What We Still Need to Learn." The Westin Richmond, Richmond, VA.
- LearningSpring School Parent Workshop (2019, Jan. 22nd). "Sexuality and the Spectrum: Lessons on Sex, Dating, and Love, Autism Style." LearningSpring School, New York, NY.
- POAC Conference for Professionals, Caregivers, and Self-Advocates: Autism Sexuality Education – Navigating Relationships, Avoiding Victimization, and Becoming Empowered (2018, Dec. 7th). "Sexuality and the Spectrum: Lessons on Sex, Dating, and Love, Autism Style." Georgian Court University, Lakewood, NJ.
- Extreme Kids & Crew Parent Workshop (2018, Nov. 17th). Guest speaker. "Puberty, Sexuality, and the Autism Spectrum: What Every Parent Needs to Know." Extreme Kids & Crew, Ridgewood, NY.

- LearningSpring School Trustee Dinner (2018, Nov. 13th). "Sexuality and the Spectrum: Lessons on Sex, Dating, and Love, Autism Style." Rubin Museum of Art, New York, NY.
- Queens School of Inquiry Parent Meeting (2018, Nov. 4th). "Sexuality and the Spectrum: Lessons on Sex, Dating, and Love, Autism Style." Queens School of Inquiry, Flushing, NY.
- NYU Connections Group Meeting (2018, Oct. 22nd). "Self-Advocacy and the Autism Spectrum: What Every Person with Autism Needs to Know." Invited speaker. New York University Cooper Square Building, New York, NY.
- Autism New Jersey 36th Annual Conference (Oct. 19th). "Sexuality and the Spectrum: Lessons on Sex, Dating, and Love, Autism Style." Harrah's Waterfront Conference Center, Atlantic City, NJ.
- Organization for Autism Research webinar (2018, Oct. 15th). "Sexuality On the Spectrum." Co-presenter with Peter Gerhardt, Ed.D. Arlington, VA.
- Region V Council for Special Education Paraprofessional Workshop. (2018, May 24th). "Student Behavior: Don't Take It Personally!" Co-presenter with Nicole Turon-Diaz, MA Ed./SpEd., BCBA. David E. Owens Middle School, New Milford, NJ.
- Professional Development Workshop (2018, May 23rd). Guest speaker. "Sexuality and the Spectrum: Lessons on Sex, Dating, and Love, Autism Style." EPIC School, Paramus, NJ.
- Exceptional Youth Awareness Day (2018, May 7th). Guest speaker. "Sexuality and the Spectrum: Lessons on Sex, Dating, and Love, Autism Style." Partnership for Children of Essex, Bloomfield, NJ.
- Extreme Kids & Crew Cocktails & Bureaucracy Workshop (2018, Apr. 25th). Guest speaker. "Self-Advocacy and Autism: What Every Parent Needs to Know." Freddy's Bar, Brooklyn, NY.
- ASPEN-NJ 42nd Annual Spring Conference (2018, Apr. 15th). Invited speaker. "Sexuality and the Spectrum: Lessons on Sex, Dating, and Love, Autism Style." APA Hotel Woodbridge, Iselin, NJ.
- Red Autismo 4a Jornada Informativa (2018, Apr. 12th). Invited speaker. "Sexuality and the Spectrum: Lessons on Sex, Dating, and Love, Autism Style." Playa Grande Resort & Grand Spa, Cabo San Lucas, Baja California Sur, Mexico.
- Red Autismo Parent Event (2018, Apr. 11th). "Sexuality and the Spectrum: Lessons on Sex, Dating, and Love, Autism Style." Guest speaker. Red Autismo AC, San José del Cabo, Baja California Sur, Mexico.

- NYU Connections Group Meeting (2018, Feb. 26th). "Self-Advocacy and the Autism Spectrum: What Every Person with Autism Needs to Know." Invited speaker. New York University Tandon School of Engineering, Brooklyn, NY.
- Purchase College Autism Awareness Event (2018, Feb. 14th). "Sexuality and the Spectrum: Lessons on Sex, Dating, and Love, Autism Style." Invited speaker. State University of New York (SUNY) at Purchase, Purchase, NY.
- POAC Conference for Professionals, Caregivers, and Self-Advocates: Autism Sexuality Education – Navigating Relationships, Avoiding Victimization, and Becoming Empowered (2018, Jan. 5th). "Sexuality and the Spectrum: Lessons on Sex, Dating, and Love, Autism Style." Montclair State University, Montclair, NJ.
- Association for Behavior Analysis International (ABAI) 9th Annual International Conference (2017, Nov. 15th). "Sexuality and the Spectrum: Lessons on Sex, Dating, and Love, Autism Style." Paris Marriott Rive Gauche Hotel & Conference Center, Paris, France.
- Love & Autism 2nd Annual Conference. (2017, Oct. 1st). "Sexuality & the Spectrum: Lessons on Sex, Dating, and Love, Autism Style." Liberty Station Conference Center, San Diego, CA.
- NYU ASD Nest Program 5th Annual New School Year Kickoff. (2017, Aug. 31st). "Freshman Disorientation: Navigating Friendships and Relationships on the Autism Spectrum." UFT Headquarters, New York, NY.
- Autism Society of America 49th Annual National Conference (2017, Jul. 13th). "Self Advocate Panel: A Discussion on Love & Relationships on the Autism Spectrum." Panel speaker. Wisconsin Center, Milwaukee, WI.
- Designing Experiences for People with Autism Symposium (2017, May 1st) Keynote speaker and panelist. New York Transit Museum, Brooklyn, NY.
- Autism Society of America 47th Annual National Conference (2016, Jul. 15th). "Sexuality and the Spectrum: Lessons on Sex, Dating, and Love, Autism Style." New Orleans Marriott, New Orleans, LA.
- Association for Behavior Analysis International (ABAI) 42nd Annual Convention (2016, May 29th). "Sexuality and the Spectrum: Lessons on Sex, Dating, and Love, Autism Style." Hyatt Regency Chicago, Chicago, IL.
- Preconference for 2016 International Meeting for Autism Research (IMFAR) (2016, May 11th). "Translation: A Discussion of Supports and Barriers to Community Participation by Those Who Know." Panel speaker. Towson University, Towson, MD.
- Wayne Special Parents Association Event (2016, Apr. 27th). "Sexuality & Sexuality Instruction for Individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorders: What Everyone Needs To Know." Co-presenter with Dr. Peter Gerhardt. Anthony Wayne Middle School, Wayne, NJ.

- Brooklyn College Autism Awareness Event (2016, Apr. 21st). "Freshman Disorientation: Navigating College on the Autism Spectrum." Invited speaker. Brooklyn College, Brooklyn, NY.
- Raritan Valley Community College Autism Awareness Event. (2016, Apr. 12th). Invited speaker. "Freshman Disorientation: Navigating Friendships and Relationships on the Autism Spectrum." Raritan Valley Community College, Branchburg, NJ.
- Region V Council for Special Education Paraprofessional Workshop. (2016, Feb. 12th). "Student Behavior: Don't Take It Personally!" Co-presenter with Nicole Turon-Diaz, MA Ed./SpEd., BCBA. Ridgefield Memorial High School, Ridgefield, NJ.
- NYU ASD Nest Program Parent Workshop (2016, Jan. 11th). "The Girl Behind the Curtain: A Journey Inside the Nooks and Crannies of Autism." New York University, New York, NY.
- NYU Nest Program Parent Meeting (2015, Nov. 7th). "The Girl Behind the Curtain: A Journey Inside the Nooks and Crannies of Autism." Invited speaker. One World Middle School @ Edenwald, Bronx, NY.
- Autism New Jersey 33rd Annual Conference (2015, Oct. 16th). "Our Triumphs and Challenges with Having Autism" Lunch n' Learn Session. Panel speaker. Atlantic City Convention Center, Atlantic City, NJ.
- Autism New Jersey 33rd Annual Conference (2015, Oct. 15th). "Sexuality and the Spectrum: Lessons on Sex, Dating, and Love, Autism Style." Atlantic City Convention Center, Atlantic City, NJ.
- NYU ASD Nest Program 3rd Annual New School Year Kickoff. (2015, Sept. 3rd). "Girls and ASD: A Journey Inside the Nooks and Crannies of Autism." Co-presenter with Allison Brown. UFT Headquarters, New York, NY.
- Autism Society of America 46th Annual Conference (2015, Jul. 9th). "Sexuality and the Spectrum: Lessons on Sex, Dating, and Love, Autism Style." Co-presenter with Lorin Neikirk. Colorado Convention Center, Denver, CO.
- NYU ASD Nest Program (2015, May 11th). Professional development workshop. Invited guest speaker. New York University, New York, NY.
- AHA-NY Spring Conference (2015, Apr. 25th). "Voices From the Spectrum: Learning From Memoirs" panel. Invited panelist. Adelphi University, Garden City, NY.
- Autism New Jersey 2nd Annual Transition Conference (2015, Apr. 20th). "20 Do and Don't Strategies for Sex Education for People with Autism Spectrum Disorders: An Applied Behavior Analytic Approach." Co-presenter with Dr. Bobby Newman. Renaissance Woodbridge Hotel, Woodbridge, NJ.

- Brooklyn College's Collaborative Support Service Program. (2015, Apr. 14). "Navigating College as a Path to Employment: Stepping Stones, Strategies, and Solutions." Invited speaker. Brooklyn College, Brooklyn, NY.
- Autism and Sexuality: Self-Esteem, Relationships, Safety, and Risks. (2015, Mar. 19th). "Autism Spectrum Disorders and Sexuality." Co-presenter with Kristin O'Lexy. The Y.A.L.E. School, Philadelphia, PA.
- Autism and Sexuality: Self-Esteem, Relationships, Safety, and Risks. (2015, Mar. 18th). "Autism Spectrum Disorders and Sexuality." Co-presenter with Kristin O'Lexy. The Y.A.L.E. School, Cherry Hill, NJ.
- Region V Council for Special Education Paraprofessional Workshop. (2015, Jan. 19th). "Student Behavior: Don't Take It Personally!" Co-presenter with Nicole Turon-Diaz, MA Ed./SpEd., BCBA. Cresskill Jr./Sr. High School, Cresskill, NJ.
- Autism New Jersey 32nd Annual Conference (2014, Oct. 23rd). "Sexuality & Sexuality Instruction for Individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorders: What Everyone Needs To Know." Co-presenter with Dr. Peter Gerhardt. Atlantic City Convention Center, Atlantic City, NJ.
- AHA-NY Fall Conference (2014, Oct. 20th). "The Girl Behind the Curtain: A Journey Inside the Nooks and Crannies of Autism." Invited keynote speaker. Eastern Suffolk BOCES Instructional Support Center. Holbrook, NY.
- Autism Society of America 45th Annual Conference (2014, Jul. 25th). "Sexuality and the Spectrum: Lessons on Sex, Dating, and Love, Autism Style." Co-presenter with Melissa Dubie and Catherine Davies. Indianapolis Convention Center, Indianapolis, IN.
- Autism Society of Central Virginia/Virginia Commonwealth University (2013, Oct. 19th). "Sexuality & Sexuality Instruction for Individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorders: What Everyone Needs To Know." Co-presenter with Dr. Peter Gerhardt. River Road United Methodist Church, Richmond, VA.
- Autism New Jersey 31st Annual Conference (2013, Oct. 18th). "Self-Advocate Panel." Panel speaker. Atlantic City Convention Center, Atlantic City, NJ.
- Understanding Asperger's Syndrome workshop (2012, Apr. 4th). "Asperger's Syndrome and College: Stepping Stones, Strategies, and Solutions." Shepherdstown University, Shepherdstown, WV.
- Staff Training workshop (2012, Mar. 26th). "Asperger's Syndrome and College: Stepping Stones, Strategies, and Solutions." Rutgers Learning Center, Newark, NJ.

- Staff Training workshop. (2012, Feb. 16th). Co-presenter. Prospect Park Elementary School, Prospect Park, NJ.
- Autism New Jersey 29th Annual Conference (2011, Oct. 13-14th). "Speaking for Ourselves: A Panel of Adults with Autism Spectrum Disorders." Panel speaker. Atlantic City Convention Center, Atlantic City, NJ.
- AHA-NY Spring Conference (2011, Apr. 3rd). "Higher and Higher: Solutions to Challenges Faced by Individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorders in a College Setting." Co-presenter on the "What's Getting In Your Way?" panel. Adelphi University, Garden City, NY.
- Autism New Jersey 27th Annual Conference (2009, Oct. 9-10th). "Look Out, Here Comes Tomorrow: Strategies for Transitioning Students with Asperger's Disorder to a College Setting." Atlantic City Convention Center, Atlantic City, NJ.
- Staff Training Workshop (2009, Aug. 4th). Guest speaker. Faye J. Lindner Center for Autism. Brookville, NY
- Asperger Women's group (2008, Dec. 15th). Guest speaker. The Faye J. Lindner Autism Center. Bethpage, NY
- Asperger's Adult Social Skills group. (2008, Dec. 2nd). Guest speaker. The Jewish Community Center in Manhattan. New York, NY.
- Autism: Putting the Pieces Together conference. (2008, Nov. 21st). "Transitions to Independence in ASD" panel speaker. Kean University, Union, NJ.
- Asperger Girls' group (2008, Nov. 18th). Guest speaker. The Faye J. Lindner Autism Center. Bethpage, NY.
- Asperger's Adult Social Skills group. (2008, Nov. 4th). Guest speaker. The Jewish Community Center in Manhattan. New York, NY.
- New Jersey State Federation of Women's Clubs Fall Conference. (2008, Oct. 27th). Panel speaker. Bridgewater Marriott Hotel, Bridgewater, NJ.
- Special Day for Special Kids (2008, Oct. 26th). "Asperger's Syndrome and College: Making It (Almost) On Your Own" workshop presenter. West Hills Day Camp, Huntington, NY.
- West Bergen's Asperger Related Services (2008, Aug. 18th). "Transition to College Workshop" guest speaker. West Bergen Mental Healthcare, Ridgewood, NJ.
- COSAC 26th Annual Conference. (2008, May 15-16). "Adults with Autism Spectrum Disorders" panel speaker. Sheraton Atlantic City, Atlantic City, NJ.

- 2nd Annual East End Mental Health Awareness Day (2008, Apr. 5th). Workshop co-facilitator. Southampton High School, Southampton, NY.
- The Seattle Asperger Syndrome Education and Support Group (2007, Jun. 13th). “Career Aspirations and How We Hope To Achieve Them” panel speaker. Greenwood Senior Activity Center, Seattle, WA.
- Carpe Diem Conference (2007, Mar. 8th). “Young Adults with Autism Spectrum Disorders” panel speaker. Marriott Residence Inn, Oxnard, CA.
- The Seattle Asperger Syndrome Education and Support Group (2007, Jan. 10th). “Relationships and Dating” panel speaker. Greenwood Senior Activity Center, Seattle, WA.
- The Seattle Asperger Syndrome Education and Support Group (2006 Jan. 11th). “Relationships and Dating” panel speaker. Greenwood Activity Center, Seattle, WA.
- AHA-NY Spring Conference (2005, Apr. 16th). “Issues in Independent Living” Adult panel speaker. Adelphi University, Garden City, NY.
- AHA-NY Spring Conference (2003, Apr. 12th). Young adult panel speaker. Roslyn High School, Roslyn, NY.
- AHA-NY Spring Conference (2001, Apr. 15th). Teen panel speaker. Roslyn High School, Roslyn, NY.

Public Speaking Engagements and Readings

- GRASP 16th Annual Event (2019, May 2nd). Invited speaker. Jay Suites Times Square, New York, NY.
- Perspectives on Autism in Adulthood (2019, Apr. 10th). Invited panelist. Rutgers University Inn & Conference Center, New Brunswick, NJ.
- Autism & Intellectual Disabilities undergraduate class panel. (2019, Feb. 20th). Invited panelist. St. John’s University, Queens, NY.
- Sex and Disability: A Panel Answering Your Questions (2018, Dec. 20th). Invited panelist. The Jewish Community Center of Manhattan, New York, NY.
- Autism & Intellectual Disabilities undergraduate class panel. (2018, Nov. 26th). Invited panelist. St. John’s University, Queens, NY.
- Building 2e Awareness & Community 2018 Conference (2018, Nov. 9th). “2e for Life: Helping 2e Kids Self-Identify, Self-Advocate and Self-Actualize.” Invited panelist. Molloy College, Rockville Centre, NY.
- Autism & Intellectual Disabilities undergraduate class panel. (2018, Apr. 9th). Invited

panelist. St. John's University, Queens, NY.

- Diversity & Anti-Bullying Panel. (2017, Nov. 27th). Invited panelist. The Ethical Community Charter School, Jersey City, NJ.

- NYU Nest Program Student Assembly (2017, Oct. 11th). Invited speaker. One World Middle School @ Edenwald, Bronx, NY.

- Golden Door International Film Festival of Jersey City Autism Awareness Film Screening and Discussion (2017, Apr. 24th). Invited speaker. McNair Academic High School, Jersey City, NJ.

- *Spectrum: A Story of the Mind* Screening and Discussion (2017, Apr. 20th). Invited panelist. Columbia University School of Social Work, New York, NY.

- Nothing About Us Without Us: A Self-Advocacy Forum (2016, Dec. 4th). Invited panelist. UJA-Federation of New York, New York, NY.

- TEDxJersey City 2016 (2016, Dec. 3rd). Invited speaker. Loews Landmark Theater, Jersey City, NJ.

- ASPEN-NJ Annual Spring Conference (2016, Apr. 10th). Invited panelist. "Young Adult Panel Discussion – In Their Own Words." APA Hotel Woodbridge, Iselin, NJ.

- Peace & Diversity Conference Day. (2016, Jan. 22nd). Invited speaker. M.S. 447, Math & Science Exploratory School, Brooklyn, NY.

- UJA-Federation of New York Hilibrand Autism Symposium (2015, Apr. 28th). Invited panelist and speaker. UJA-Federation of New York, New York, NY.

- Iona College Speech Pathology Honors Ceremony. (2015, Mar. 23rd). Invited speaker. Iona College, New Rochelle, NY.

- Peace & Diversity Conference Day. (2015, Jan. 20th). Invited speaker. M.S. 447, Math & Science Exploratory School, Brooklyn, NY.

- TEDxSeton Hall 2014 (2014, Apr. 11th). Invited speaker. Seton Hall University, West Orange, NJ. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y1UE4kRUwQI> –

- REELAbilities NY Film Festival (2014, Mar. 6th). Guest speaker for *Gabrielle* film premiere. The Jewish Community Center of Manhattan, New York, NY.

- *The Figment; Free-Falling; Hair of the Dog*. The Many Faces of Asperger's Syndrome live art performance (2013, Apr. 26th). Morris County Library, Whippany, NJ.

- The College of New Jersey's Autism Awareness Week (2012, Mar. 26th). Guest speaker. The College of New Jersey, Trenton, NJ.
- Asperger's Syndrome Pre-College Summer Program (2011, Aug. 9th). Guest speaker. Susan E. Wagner High School, Staten Island, NY.
- Chapel Haven ASAT Program graduation ceremony (2011, Jun. 11th). Keynote speaker. New Haven, CT.
- Autism Speaks, Autism Speaks' School Program (2011, May 11th). Cast member/speaker. Fox Lane Middle and High Schools, Bedford, NY.
- Stamford Education 4 Autism, Inc. 6th Annual "Autism Awareness Night." (2011 Apr. 27th). Keynote speaker. Westover Elementary School, Stamford, CT.
- Autism Speaks and the Permanent Mission of Bangladesh at the United Nations "Solving the Autism Public Health Puzzle: Regional and International Collaboration" (2011, Apr. 6th). Panel speaker. United Nations, North Lawn Building, New York, NY.
- GRASP (Global and Regional Asperger Syndrome Partnership) 6th Annual Benefit (2010, Jun. 8th). Invited speaker. William Bennett Gallery, New York, NY.
- Gravino, A. (2010, Feb. 2nd). A Paler Shade of White. 4th Annual Calyx Reading. Tasty CoCo Café & Lounge. Caldwell, NJ.
- EDU 515 Special Education: Current Issues & Trends (2009, Oct. 3rd). Classroom guest speaker. Felician College, Rutherford, NJ.
- Stamford Education 4 Autism, Inc. 4th Annual "Autism Awareness Night." (2009, Apr. 28th). Keynote speaker. Westover Elementary School, Stamford, CT.
- Bedford School District "Autism Awareness Day." (2009, Apr. 28th). Guest speaker. Fox Lane Middle School, Mount Kisco, NY.
- Edison School District "No Parent Left Behind III" night. (2009, Apr. 23rd). Keynote speaker. Edison High School, Edison, NJ.
- Gravino, A. (2008, Oct. 19th). Introduction to "The Naughty Autie." Herstory 12th Anniversary Gala and Luncheon. Charles B. Wang Center, Stony Brook University. Stony Brook, NY.
- Gersh Academy graduation ceremony (2008, Jun. 27th). Keynote speaker. Hauppauge, NY
- Gravino, A. (2008, Apr. 11th). A Paler Shade of White. "Disabilities, Possibilities, and the Arts" night, official release for the *Normal People Scare Me* soundtrack and for *The Sandwich Kid* documentary. Civic Arts Plaza. Thousand Oaks, CA

- Gravino, A. (2008, Apr.10th). Introduction to "The Naughty Autie." The Artistic Spectrum: Literary Café Night. The Jewish Community Center in Manhattan. New York, NY.
- "Understanding Autism" workshop at Caldwell College. (2007, Dec. 15th). Co-lead Q&A session with Taylor Cross. Caldwell, NJ.