Science Cabaret
First Tuesday of Every Month
Lost Dog Café, 222 Water Street, Binghamton NY
7:30 PM in the Violet Room
Door opens at 6PM for drinking, dining, and socializing before the event

Science Cabaret provides an evening of intellectual stimulation in an informal café setting. Scientists from all subject areas describe their work in terms that anyone can understand, with plenty of opportunity for questions from the audience!

Tuesday, March 1 2011

Justin Garcia
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Single in America: New Views on Relationships

About the talk: Match.com, the international online dating company, in collaboration with the Institute for Evolutionary Studies (EvoS) at Binghamton University, researchers Helen Fisher, Stephanie Coontz, and Justin Garcia, recently released the results of the Single in America Study - the largest and most comprehensive study of single men and women ever done. Although there are 105 million singles in the United States, representing one-third of the US population, these women and men have gone largely unstudied - even as their attitudes and behaviors are shaping America's cultural norms and challenging traditional notions. Based on this groundbreaking study, a new picture of single Americans emerges that is radically different than it was 50 years ago when the median age of first marriage for women was 20 and only 10% of women ages 25-29 were not married. The single today is defying gender and age stereotypes, adopting new dating habits, and changing the very definition of relationships.

About the speaker: Justin R. Garcia is a SUNY Fellow and Adjunct Lecturer in the Laboratory of Evolutionary Anthropology and Health, and Institute for Evolutionary Studies (EvoS) at Binghamton University. His primary research focuses on the evolutionary and biological foundations of human love, intimacy, and sexual behavior. He is currently co-editing Evolution's Empress: Darwinian Perspectives on the Nature of Women (Oxford University Press), and co-authoring a book with Dr Peter Gray on evolution and human sexuality (Harvard University Press). He also serves as a Scientific Advisor to the online dating site, Match.com. Justin was born and raised in New York City, but has lived in Binghamton since 2003. This will be his second Science Cabaret appearance.