



**The Atlanta VA Center of Excellence for Visual and
Neurocognitive Rehabilitation and the Emory Eye Center
present:**

SYMPOSIUM ON VISUAL REHABILITATION

March 21, 2014

**Location: Calhoun Auditorium, Emory Department of Ophthalmology
The Emory Clinic Building B Tunnel Level, 1365-B Clifton Road, NE, Atlanta, GA 30322**

PROGRAM

11:45 AM: Lunch Served

12:00 N: Symposium Introduction (Krish Sathian, MD, PhD, FANA)

12:05 PM: **Nick Giudice, PhD**, Associate Professor, School of Computing & Information Science, University of Maine

“Designing non-visual interfaces for spatial learning and navigation: bridging the gap between basic and applied research”

12:50 PM: Q&A

1:00 PM: Break

1:15 PM: **Lei Liu, PhD**, Associate Professor, School of Optometry, University of Alabama at Birmingham

“The feasibility of using virtual reality as a low vision orientation and mobility (O&M) training platform”

1:45 PM: **Lotfi Merabet, OD, PhD, MPH**, Director, Laboratory for Visual Neuroplasticity Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary, Associate Professor of Ophthalmology, Harvard Medical School

“Neuroplasticity in blindness: comparing ocular and cerebral causes”

2:15 PM: **Panel discussion**

Susan Primo, OD, MPH, FAAO, Director, Vision and Optical Service, Emory Eye Center

Beau Bruce, MD, Assistant Professor of Ophthalmology and Neurology, Emory University

Michael Williams, PhD, Research Scientist, CVNR, and VA Blind Rehabilitation Service