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“HOOKED ON STORIES:
DISSECTING YOUR BRAIN’S ADDICTION”

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Neuroscientist, podcast host and opera singer Indre Viskontas will explore how our obsession with stories is built into our neuroanatomy and why that’s a good thing. Our propensity for story-telling is most obvious in neurological patients who confabulate, or tell ‘honest lies’ when their fact-checking process goes awry. But are we ourselves immune to self-delusion? Under what conditions do we succeed in fooling ourselves? And can our love of stories help explain another human obsession - music?

For additional information or to meet with Dr. Viskontas, contact Tera Holtz at: tholtz@wisc.edu or 262-4932
Refreshments will be served in the Biotechnology Atrium at 3:30 p.m.