Guy Hoffman

- Research, Robots
- Societal thoughts on human-robot interaction



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Who is he?

- Hoffman holds a Ph.D from MIT in the field of human-robot interaction (HRI), and a M.Sc. in Computer Science from Tel Aviv University. He also studied animation at Parsons School of Design in NYC.
- Assistant Professor and the Mills Family Faculty Fellow in the Sibley School of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering at Cornell University
- Worked as a research fellow at the Georgia Institute of Technology and at MIT
- Hoffman heads the Human-Robot Collaboration and Companionship (HRC2) group

Research and Robots:

AUR ROBOTIC DESK LAMP

"Designing a robot as **graceful** and **engaging** as possible"



"By the end we were good friends and high fived mentally"

Vs

"It just felt like a lazy apprentice"

2. GOOSEBUMPS – TEXTURE-CHANGING ROBOTIC SKIN



"The prototype skin can animate a combination of goosebumps and spikes"

Musical Robots:

SHIMON ROBOTIC MUSICIAN DOCK



"The robot is used in research at the Georgia Institute of Technology, and in musical performances worldwide."

2. TRAVIS / SHIMI ROBOTIC SPEAKER



Combining sensor-rich, high-performance mobile devices with simple, low-cost robotic platforms could help accelerate the adoption of personal robotics in real-world environments.

"Robots seem to have this special position in technology that resonates with basic human emotions such as **fear** and **hope**." NYU ABU DHABI

What benefits can this bring?

Will they ever be smarter than us or take on a life of their own?

Accountability 2

Robot Integration in Education?

Will robots have free will?