



Monthly Meeting

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Intelligent Data Security Made Easy

Our platform discovers, classifies, monitors, and protects data across cloud and on-premises environments. With AI-driven insights and co-managed services, we help businesses reduce risk, streamline compliance, and eliminate duplicate data records—transforming data from a liability into a well-managed asset.

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Certification Continuing Education Units

Responsibility of each member to submit their CEUs

Certificate of Attendance available upon request

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ISSA 40th Anniversary Event and 2025 Awards Gala

September 4-6, 2025

Westin Galleria Dallas



Celebrating Excellence and Achievement

Embrace the spirit of recognition as we honor remarkable contributions across a diverse range of categories in the field of information security.

- ✓ 2024 Chapter of the Year
- ✓ 2024 Volunteer of the Year
- ✓ 2025 Chapter of the Year
- ✓ 2025 Volunteer of the Year
- ✓ 2025 Security Professional of the Year
- ✓ 2025 Organization of the Year
- ✓ 2025 Honor Roll



ISSA Members Conference

Join us for a day of education and networking with ISSA members from all over the world! At the end of the day, share experiences at the evening reception before heading off to the Awards Gala!



Chapter Leaders Meeting

Join other Chapter Board members for a day of ideas, learning and best practices to bring back for your local members and opportunities for your local chapters!



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Exclusive Member Benefits

<https://www.members.issa.org/page/SpecialOffers>



Conference

RSAC 2025 Conference in San Francisco from April 28 – May 1. Connect, collaborate, and innovate
As an ISSA member, you'll save an extra \$225 with member code



Conference

ISSA Members can now attend all 2025 ELEVATE IT Summits—for FREE with member code!
These events will occur in Phoenix, Kansas City, Tampa, Dallas, Minneapolis, and Houston.
Non-members pay \$199.



Product

ISSA members get exclusive discounts, up to 40% OFF, on best-in-class HP technology, plus access to dedicated North American tech support and a tailored shopping experience.



Training

Offers exclusive discounts for ISSA Members with member code:

- 10% off DVMS Digital Business Risk Awareness Training.
- 20% off NIST Cybersecurity Framework Certification Courses



Training

MindEdge is a premier developer of online learning solutions, including certificate and professional development courses. ISSA Members receive 20% off all course with Member Code



Training

Treadstone 71 is offering a 30% discount to all ISSA Members for online training with ISSA member code



Training

CSA and ISSA have partnered to provide an exclusive 20% ISSA member discount for the Certificate of Cloud Knowledge (CCSK) v5 training and exam bundle.
Coming soon- Zero Trust Certification

Coming Soon

BlackHat – Launch Date Projected March 15 **Conference**
\$200 Discount, Passes (ISSA booth)

Wicked6 – Launch Date March 5 **Competition**
15% discount for women's team competitions, ISSA listed as a sponsor on all marketing materials

FITSI- Launch date March 5 **Training**
training and certifications discount for the US Government Section. ISSA Branded Page

InfoSec - Launch Date March 19 **Training**

- 15%-20% Discounts based on courses – Customized Codes ISSA Branded Course page
- Preferential Pricing – Instructor-led courses in Chapter Bootcamps



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ISSA Special Interest Groups

<https://www.members.issa.org/general/custom.asp?page=ISSASpecialInterestGroups>

ISSA has many opportunities for members to form and participate in global initiatives and working groups. As a member, you can choose to be active in one or more of these Special Interest Groups (SIG).

Women in Security Special Interest Groups

Mission: Develop global women leaders and build a stronger community to create a compelling environment around cybersecurity and technology.

Privacy Special Interest Group (SIG)

This group is dedicated to providing privacy relevant topics to security professionals through thought leadership and a knowledge-sharing platform. The Privacy SIG will be hosting quarterly webinars and providing concise and timely privacy-related information.

Cyber Resilience Special Interest Group (SIG)

Mission: Build a global community of Cyber Resilience professionals in order to share actionable best practices to protect our organizations from cyber-attacks on high value assets.

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Free Security Training

Free training on current topics of interest (i.e. Artificial Intelligence) and certifications (Microsoft, CISSP, CEH, Cloud, etc.) are provided by several companies supporting the cybersecurity community. Links to several offerings can be found on the ISSA Central Maryland Chapter/Training web page:

Training - Central Maryland Chapter of ISSA

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ISC2 Spotlight

Artificial Intelligence

July 8-9, 2025 | Virtual



https://web.cvent.com/event/5e96806a-a8f1-41e5-8787-60c70eadbfca/summary?RefId=Email%2001%20-%20Registration%20is%20Open&utm_medium=...&utm_source=email – Open to ISC2 Members ONLY at no cost. If not a current ISC2 certification holder, can register as ISC2 candidate.

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- Training Opportunities from Networkintelligence.ai
- Offering 2 complimentary seats to chapter members
 - SCCP (Secure Cloud Computing Practitioner) - \$199
 - June 2nd – 4th (1:00 pm - 5:00 pm GMT)
 - CPSP (Certified Payment Security Practitioner) - \$199
 - June 30 - July 2 2025 (1:00 pm - 5:00 pm GMT)
 - Workshop – OT Security - \$79
 - June 26th (1:00 pm - 5:00 pm GMT)
 - Link to training brochure with course descriptions
 - [Course Descriptions](#)

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Upcoming Summits

Summit & Training events provide an immersive training experience that arms attendees with deep-knowledge and actionable information and has a lasting impact on their careers and their organization's security programs. <https://www.sans.org/cyber-security-summit>

SANS

Event	Location	Dates
<u>Ransomware Summit</u>	Free Virtual Summit	Summit: Friday, May 30
<u>ICS Security Summit & Training</u>	Orlando, FL (3 Full Days) & Virtual (3 Hours of Talks)	Summit: June 15-17 New: 3 Days! Training: June 18-23
<u>Supply Chain Cybersecurity Forum</u>	Virtual	Forum: Thursday, June 26
<u>Digital Forensics & Incident Response (DFIR) Summit & Training</u>	Salt Lake City, UT & Virtual	Summit: Jul 24-25 Training: Jul 26-31
<u>SANS Security Awareness Summit & Training</u>	Chicago, IL & Virtual	Summit: Aug 14-15 Training: Aug 11-13
<u>CloudSecNext Summit & Training 2025</u>	Denver, CO & Virtual	Summit: Oct 2-3 Training: Oct 4-9

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Free Training in AI courtesy of NVIDIA.

1. Generative AI Explained - • Generative AI and how it works. • Various Generative AI applications. • Challenges and opportunities in Generative AI - Link: <https://lnkd.in/gTAJ-sKa>
2. Building A Brain in 10 Minutes - • Exploring how neural networks use data to learn • Understanding the math behind a neuron - Link: <https://lnkd.in/gvVrgwZF>
3. Augment your LLM with Retrieval Augmented Generation - • Basics of Retrieval Augmented Generation • RAG retrieval process • NVIDIA AI Foundations and RAG model components - Link: <https://lnkd.in/g8hYube9>
4. AI in the Data Center - • AI use cases, Machine Learning, Deep Learning, and their workflows. • GPU architecture and its impact on AI. • Deep learning frameworks, and deployment considerations - Link: <https://lnkd.in/gvNzawxe>
5. Accelerate Data Science Workflows with Zero Code Changes - • Learn benefits of unified CPU and GPU workflows • GPU-accelerate data processing and ML without code changes • Experience faster processing times - Link: <https://lnkd.in/gRmxxVn8>
6. Mastering Recommender Systems - • Strategies from Kaggle Grandmasters on building recommendation systems for e-commerce. • Cover 2-stage models, candidate generation, feature engineering, and ensembling - Link: <https://lnkd.in/gdHtJbVS>
7. Networking Introduction - • Learn about networks and their importance. • Explore Ethernet basics and data forwarding in Ethernet networks. • Discuss network components, requirements, OSI model, TCP/IP protocol - Link: <https://lnkd.in/gqX2CJMu>
8. How to Perform Large-Scale Image Classification - • Learn large-scale image classification • Cover challenges, modeling techniques AND validation strategies. - Link: <https://lnkd.in/gWRSha8P>



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ISSA Central MD 2023 Meetings and Events

Date	Speaker	Organization	Topic
May 28, 2025	Laura Jean Romero	Concentric AI	Data Security: The Missing Context
June 25, 2025	Jessica Weiland	IOActive, Inc	"Shut the Front Door"- Reducing Risk Hiring Practices
July 23, 2025	David Hennig	Hughes Network Systems	
August 27, 2025	David Brown	ISSA Blue Ridge	Bootstrapping Cybersecurity in Startups
September 24, 2025	Anurag Varshne	Ardent Privacy	
October 22, 2025	Capture The Flag	Corelight	
November 19, 2025			
December 17, 2025			

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June 25, 2025

**Jessica Weiland, Client Manager, East,
IOActive, Inc.**

Jessica is an experienced Cyber Security Account executive who has spent extensive time listening to and understanding the modern day issues our security teams face when attempting to secure the business. She is an advocate for reducing burnout in the technology space by uniting her peers both on and off the hiking trail, by organizing events to help bring peers together in spaces that allow a break from the keyboards that consume their days. Over the last 5 years, she has worked to build out blueprints of organizations using only the data she virtually can gain access to via their website, employee social media presence, and recruitment processes.

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"Shut the Front Door"- Reducing Risk Hiring Practices

This presentation is a novel way to look at the “open windows” that job listings provide to cyber criminals to profile a business from an attack perspective. From open windows to creaky back doors, a conversation needs to be had about the do’s and don’t’s of what our teams include as we search for new talent to join our teams. I have spent enough time using companies job postings to do my own version of OSINT, to create a cyber blueprint that reveals where there might be gaps or vulnerabilities in a company’s tech stack, where there are resource gaps, & how your program might be immature and primed for someone to slip past your defenses and take up residency in your systems. In my presentation we will look at job postings across US businesses, examine the doors, windows, and disabled security systems (do they have a dog? is it a Chihuahua or a Doberman) that the data suggests, and use it to profile the company and the level of risk that the posting reveals. We will also open the conversation to “how we do better” without losing the technical hiring requirements.

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**Patrick McNaught, Senior Solutions Architect,
Concentric AI**

Patrick previously worked at other data discovery/classification and DSPM vendors over his 10 years in the data security space. Based in Boston, MA, Patrick brings his security expertise and consultative approach to guide customers through their data security journey.

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Data Security: The Missing Context

Join us for this executive session designed specifically for CISOs and cybersecurity leaders seeking a more effective, modern approach to data security. You'll learn why traditional DLP solutions have consistently underdelivered—failing to protect critical business data and demanding constant manual input. We'll explore how Concentric AI uses powerful, contextual AI to automatically discover, classify, and secure sensitive information—without relying on rules, regex, or training samples. Through compelling use cases, we'll demonstrate how semantic understanding of data enables better governance, focused remediation, and smarter protection of business-critical assets like IP, financial data, and strategic plans. Walk away with actionable insights into how context-driven security strategies can reduce risk, simplify compliance, and empower your team to confidently support GenAI adoption across the enterprise. It's time to rethink data security.

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