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New York Metropolitan Chapter NEWSLETTER May 2023



Message from the Chapter President

Greetings Membership!

Greetings from Down Under! I've had the pleasure of spending two weeks this month in New Zealand and Australia, balancing work and leisure. I was delighted to meet our Sydney Chapter President during my visit. It's a testament to ISACA's global reach! As our Australian counterparts transition into the fall and winter months, we continue to host in-person events and prepare for our much-anticipated Gala, voting season, and spring vacations. It's been a busy month, and I have several updates to share with you. Our in-person events have been growing in number, and the feedback has been overwhelmingly positive. If you haven't attended one of our networkers yet, I strongly recommend that you do, or speak to those who have to get a sense of what to expect.

I want to remind you that we need volunteers to help us meet our commitments to you all. Please reach out to me at <u>President@isacany.org</u> or <u>Volunteer@isacany.org</u> to sign up and contribute! Remember, you can revisit any past newsletter at ISACANY.ORG/Newsletter.

Below are a few updates from this past month:

- Chapter Elections & Chapter Bylaws Elections have begun. Keep an eye out for voting instructions. We've updated our Chapter Bylaws to keep pace with the times.
- **Boston Digital Conference:** We were honored to receive the 2023 Innovative Chapter of the Year award! I'll share a quick debrief on the conference and key takeaways.
- Hall of Fame: Congratulations to Lily Shu, one of our regional leaders, on her induction into the ISACA Hall of Fame!
- **Industry Insights:** We've been sharing a series of industry insights (e.g., IIA Standards update, NIST CSF Update, Cyber Breaches). We're eager to hear your feedback on these.
- Gala Location and Time: The location, timing, and programming for our Gala have been confirmed. Time to dust off your old suits and dresses!
- **Australian Chapter:** We had a productive meeting with our Australian Counterparts in Sydney. Potential collaboration is in the works!
- Spring Membership Event: Save the date for our Spring Membership Event.
- Leadership Series: Important note on the leadership series and replays.
- Training and Development: Early bird registration is now open for the Spring 2023 classes.
- Volunteer Call: We're making a big call for volunteers to help us support our annual slate of events and activities.

Chapter Elections & Chapter Bylaws

Our Chapter Elections have officially begun. You should have received your credentials and related information directly in your email. If you have any questions or concerns about voting, please don't hesitate to contact <u>James.Powers@isacany.org</u> or <u>President@isacany.org</u>. Whether you appreciate the current direction or desire change, your voice can be heard through your vote. We have some new Associate Directors who have applied for Board Director positions. This is the first election where this is being facilitated. The esteemed "Associate Director" role, introduced at the beginning of my presidency, offers tremendous exposure to the Board Directors. Those who have served as Associate Directors have demonstrated a track record of assisting the chapter in various volunteer activities. One Associate Director was a former Board Director. Congratulations to Christina Cruz, Jay Rofsky, and Jason Starr on being the Associate Directors nominated for Board Director positions.

Feel free to share your thoughts and suggestions by emailing me at <u>President@isacany.org</u>. Let's work together to build a stronger chapter!

Boston Digital Conference

The Boston Digital Conference was an amazing ISACA event. ISACA Global continues to impress us all by staying current with the times. The event was marked by a strong attendance, training sessions from industry leaders, and a memorable celebration event to close it down. We were honored to receive the ISACA Most Innovative Chapter Award. As you all know, it has been a challenging journey trying to provide what we believe was best for the chapter during the difficult time of COVID. We started under Karen Alexander's presidency and continued to provide Career Coaches, Industry Leadership partners, Industry Leader's Leader speakers, Career Recruiters, Job Seminars, Resume Building Seminars, and coffee breaks, as well as Psychology and Coaching sessions through the Leadership Continuum program. This was one of the most significant efforts we have collectively undertaken in some time, and the acknowledgment from global was deeply appreciated.



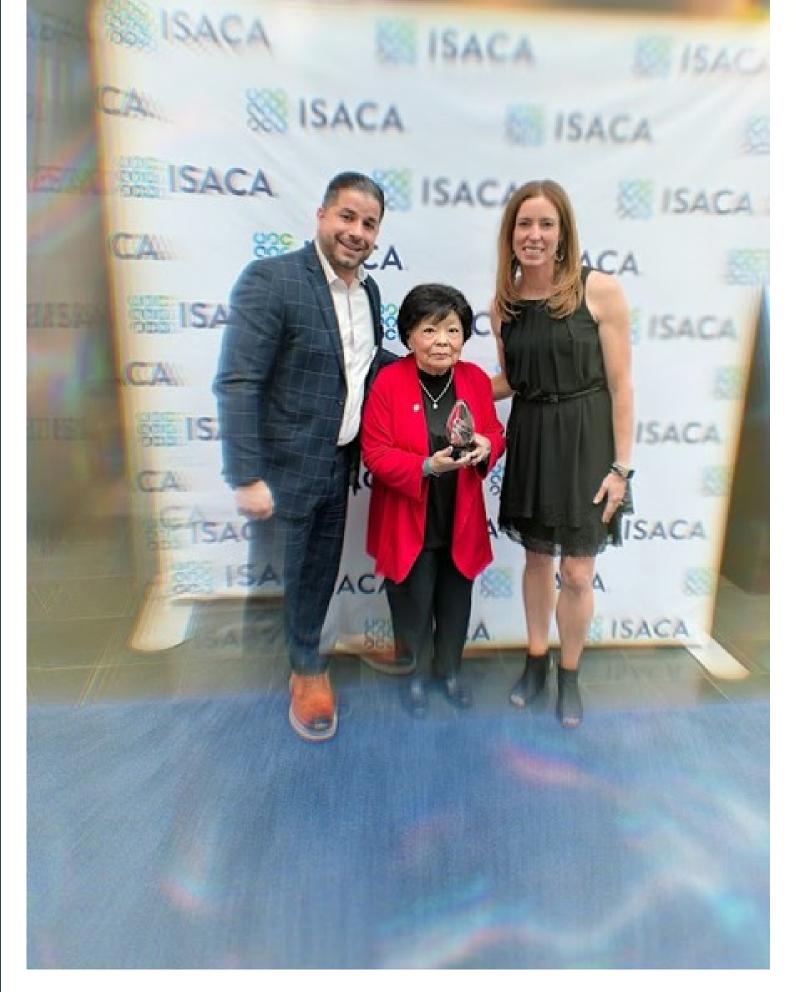
Teena Bacchus (Treasurer) and Farid Abdelkader (President) at ISACA Digital World Boston



Noah Kessler (Protiviti), Rob Clyde (ISACA Global Board Director), Tim Mortimer (VP), Farid Abdelkader (President) at ISACA Digital World Boston



Gavin Grounds (ISACA Austin Chapter President)



Farid Abdelkader (President) and Lily Shue (Hall of Famer!)



Industry Insights

You may have noticed that we have released a slew of industry insights (e.g., IIA Standards update, NIST CSF Update, Cyber Breaches). We want to know your feedback on these. Is the information too long, too short, not detailed enough, helpful or not? Please email me at <u>President@isacany.org</u> for your thoughts.

Here are some of the latest updates:

- International Professional Practices Framework (IPPF) IIA Standards Update: <u>https://bit.ly/IMNYUPDATE1</u>
- Privacy Law Landscape Update: https://bit.ly/IMNYUPDATE2
- Micron China Chip Banning: <u>https://bit.ly/IMNYUPDATE3</u>
- Brute Force method to circumvent Android phone security: <u>https://bit.ly/IMNYUPDATE4</u>
- NIST CSF 2.0 Update: <u>https://bit.ly/IMNYUPDATE5</u>
- AI Risks in Medicinal Research: https://bit.ly/IMNYUPDATE6

2023 Gala Extravaganza

Mark your calendars, for this year's Gala Extravaganza is confirmed!

Prepare for a night to remember, as this year's Gala Spectacular is officially on the calendar! Last year's event was a dazzling, sold-out affair filled with laughter, snapshots, networking, learning, and libations. We're excited to announce our return to the stunning City Winery for an unforgettable **Thursday night on June 22 at 6PM**, featuring the company of our distinguished guests.

Please be aware that seating is limited, so secure your spot as soon as possible at <u>http://bit.ly/ISACAGALA23</u>. To catch a glimpse of last year's festivities, feel free to visit our LinkedIn or Instagram/Facebook pages. Get ready for an enchanting evening that you won't want to miss!

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For a quick video recap of the event, visit <u>https://bit.ly/IMNYGALAVID</u>.

and Wasserman Award Dinner



Australian Chapter

I had the honor of meeting the newly inducted President of the Sydney, Australian Chapter, Zeynep Soylu. She is still adapting to the new role, but we were able to debrief on some of the initiatives we have been working on in New York. In the same lines, we were able to learn a bit about vision of the Sydney Chapter.

Stay tuned for more as we continue to foster this relationship with our colleagues from "down under."

Spring Membership Event

For those who were fortunate enough to attend the Spring Membership Event hosted by Marcum and sponsored by Protiviti, Fortinet, ISACA, and Marcum, congratulations. The event was very well attended with positive feedback from those who attended. Try to make these events. Networking with like-minded professionals in the heart of New York City is invaluable in this challenging environment.

Kudos to Alyssa Vumbaco, Christine Russell, Japneet Kaur, and the Membership committee for a very well attended, educational networking event.







Join us at the Spring Membership Event. Speaker details and agenda to be announced shortly.

May 23, 2023 5:30PM - 7:30PM

IN-PERSON EVENT ROOFTOP RECEPTION TO FOLLOW









REGISTRATION LINK: https://cvent.me/ML3EEo

Hosted by Marcum @ 730 3rd Avenue Ilth Floor

New York, NY 10017

Leadership

As mentioned on our website and in previous newsletters, we are thrilled to announce that our Leadership Continuum has been recognized with the prestigious ISACA Innovative Chapter Solutions Award. This is an extraordinary achievement.

To view all previous Leadership Speakers and videos, including Barbi Goldstein's spotlight and the Leadership roundtable featuring Jim Ambrosini, Nigel James, Ken Drinkard, Chad Reyes, and myself, please visit <u>http://isacany.org/leadership</u>.



Training and Development

Please see the Training and Development section for early-bird exclusive discounts on over a dozen certification (CISM, CRISC, ITIL, CISSP, CDPSE) and training (Digital Forensics, Cybersecurity, Privacy, Technical Writing, TPRM, SDLC, DA, Resilience, ERM, and many others) events in store for Spring 2023.

New Zealand and Australia Debrief

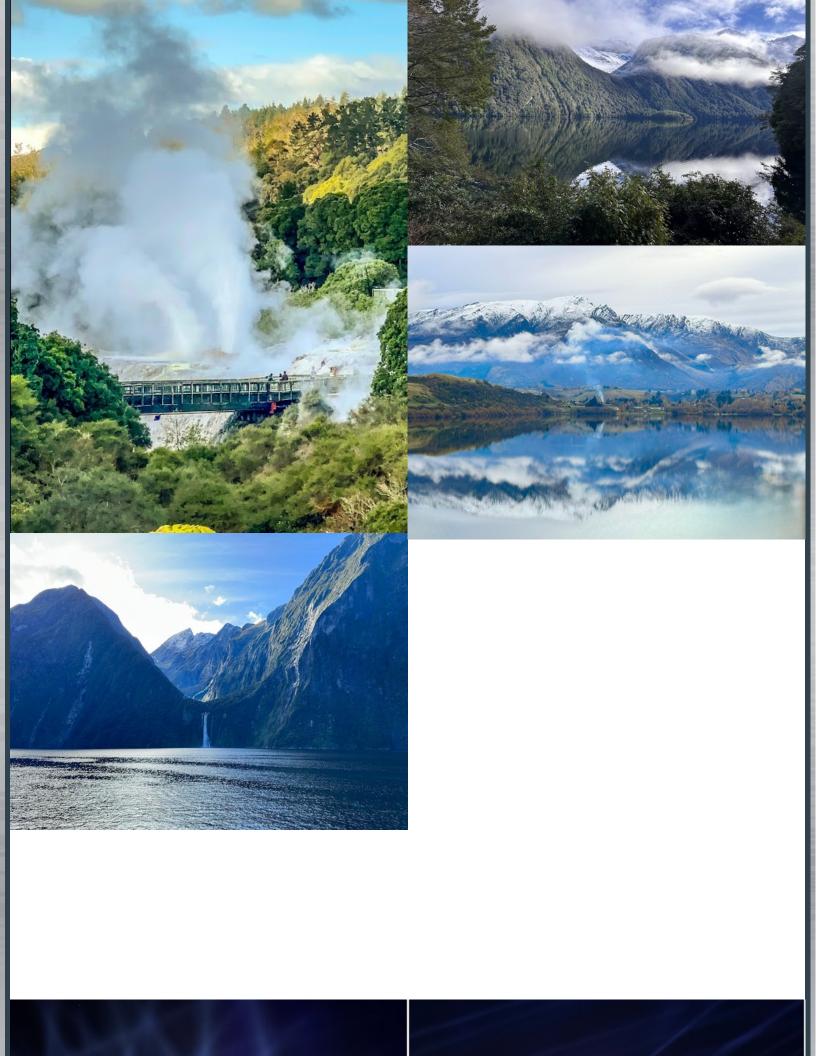
For those who have not visited New Zealand and Australia, I strongly encourage you to do it. The US dollar can stretch what you can do quite a bit. I have seen some of the most amazing sights on this visit. We were lucky enough to have good weather in North and the South Island (for the most part) of New Zealand and see #VividSydney (Event) this time of year. The people are some of the kindest folks you will ever meet in the world. They truly work to live, and not live to work like most of us in the states.

While photos don't do it justice, I wanted to share some of the journey with you all, my family. Jay Rofsky, an Associate Director of the chapter, was able to take this trip with me. Feel free to ask us about it at our next networker!













Volunteer Opportunity Reminder

Great news! Don't miss out on the chance to become an ISACA Metropolitan New York Chapter volunteer. Volunteering comes with fantastic benefits, including earning up to **20 CPEs per year**, which is equivalent to thousands of dollars worth of training. Volunteers also receive reduced pricing or waived fees to attend ISACA Chapter events, and those supporting live events are often comped. Additionally, volunteers have the opportunity to become Associate Directors, providing increased exposure to the Board Directors and Membership, and it's an excellent way to give back while opening up career opportunities through networking. Many volunteers are entered into the ISACA New York Metropolitan Chapter Leadership Training program

If you're interested in volunteering, please email me <u>President@isacany.org</u> and <u>Volunteer@isacany.org</u> with your interest.

Important Notices

- Women in Tech Spotlight: The Women-In-Tech Spotlight series is an honorary program that recognizes the leadership and professional accomplishments of women in the information technology, information security, and governance, risk, and compliance industry. We are currently accepting nominations. Please submit your nomination using the link <u>here</u>.
- Top Four Under 40: Nominate your emerging professional rising star <u>here</u>! Our four rising stars will (1) be featured on our website and social media, and (2) will be reimbursed for their study materials and exam fees for 1 certification (upon passing grade). To be eligible, **the emerging professional must be a member of the New York Metropolitan Chapter.**
- **DEI Spotlight:** The Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Spotlight series is an honorary program that recognizes individuals for their leadership and contributions to DEI initiatives in their companies and/or communities. We are currently accepting nominations. Please submit your nomination using the link <u>here</u>.

Every month, I am continually amazed by the dedication and resilience of our chapter. The unwavering support from our volunteers, the shift in direction to foster industry leaders, and the steadfast commitment to philanthropy have been truly outstanding.

As the president of this incredible organization, I am immensely proud of how our chapter has adapted and risen to meet the challenges of disaster relief, philanthropy, leadership, and humanitarian needs. Our upcoming Gala promises

to provide even more opportunities to extend our reach beyond our traditional mission.

As I mentioned in our last chapter newsletter, our Chapter has evolved beyond being just a professional association. We are transforming into a vibrant hub of positive action.

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anyone who wishes to join and volunteer to be part of our ever-growing family. Together, we can continue making a significant impact in the world!

Thank you for being part of our extraordinary community and journey. I wish you all the best.

Stay inspired and keep making a difference, New York!

Membership Committee



Alyssa Vumbaco, Chair





Japneet Kaur, Co-Chair

Sam Vohra, Co-Chair

The mission of the ISACA Membership Committee is to provide a meaningful experience for the chapter members through a series of educational, fun, and networking events.

Spring Membership Event

We had 100+ professionals attend our Spring Membership in-person Rooftop Event hosted by Marcum Technology. The Membership Committee and OneInTech Subcommittees (SheLeadsTech, DEI, and Emerging Professionals) collaborated to create an evening full of Artificial Intelligence knowledge exploration with industry leaders. For those unable to attend we have captured some key takeaways from our inspiring panelists. See the graphic below for details.



- Identification, and AI training fault
- Public and private sectors need to collaborate to create enforceable and meaningful policies & regulations

DATA INTEGRITY

- Human intervention is crucial in verifying AI output, particularly in data analytics & processing of sensitive or critical info recommended by AI.
- Human involvement in data collection and validation enhances AI's results.

ETHICAL AI

- Technology is indifferent thus, human intervention needed to ensure Als are not performing malicious work.
- Al's true benefit to humanity as it evolves will require prioritizing ethics over functions and capabilities.



WORKING TOGETHER – AI & HUMAN COLLABORATION





During the evening we also celebrated our student groups. Following the AI panel we acknowledged the 2023

Cybersecurity Case Study Competition winners, the outstanding ISACA Student Group (Baruch College Cybersecurity Club pictured below), outstanding student, and outstanding academic advisor. Congratulations to all the award winners!!!



We ended the membership event with a rooftop networking event.





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Annual Gala - June 22, 6:00pm

Join us on June 22, 2023, at 6:00 PM for the highly anticipated event of the year - the ISACA New **Cork Metropolitan Annual Gala and Wasserman Award Dinner! PLEASE NOTE THE EVENT START DATE HAS BEEN MOVED UP TO 6PM TO ALLOW FOR ADDITIONAL NETWORKING TIME.** We are thrilled to be hosting this unforgettable evening at the renowned **City Winery**, a venue that wowed us last year and is sure to impress again this year. Seats are limited, so register soon to secure your spot. You do not want to miss this one. Five hours of open bar, three-course meal, and ample networking time. To get your ticket visit: <u>HTTP://BIT.LY/ISACAGALA23</u>

Over the next month the entire Membership Committee will focus our efforts on our most anticipated event of the year – The Annual Gala and Wasserman Award Dinner. This event comes together with the support of all our OneInTech Membership Subcommittees – SheLeadsTech, Diversity, Equity & Inclusion (DEI) and Emerging Professionals. Please continue to nominate candidates for our various OneInTech Programs. Keep an eye on your email for additional OneInTech events to be announced.

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AT 6:00PM



Tickets available at HTTP://BIT.LY/ISACAGALA23



For sponsorship inquiries: alex.bazay@isacany.org

Monthly Membership Meeting

Want to be included in our monthly membership meeting? Have ideas for future events or are interested in volunteering for the Chapter, please send an email to <u>membership@isaca.org</u> so you can be in the know of all upcoming volunteer opportunities.

SheLeadsTech Subcommittee



Alyssa Vumbaco, Chair



Christeen Russell, Chair

What is SheLeadsTech?

SheLeadsTech is a women-focused program which works to increase the representation of women in Technology leadership roles and the workforce. Powered by a vast global network of women IT professionals dedicated to supporting others, SheLeadsTech provides women with mentorship, leadership training, and skills training to grow and excel within the industry.

What's new with SheLeadsTech

We are in the process of planning our next SheLeadsTech Tuesday event. Further details to be released shortly.

SheLeadsTech Spotlight

This month, we are shining the spotlight on Wendy Chin! Wendy was one of our featured panelists during our in-person Spring Membership Meeting. Read on to learn more about Wendy and her inspiring wise words and advice:

ISACA NEW YORK METROPOLITAN CHAPTER PRESENTS

Spotlight Leaders to Follow in 2023

Wendy Chin



Founder & CEO of PureCipher Inc. & Managing Partner at Create Technology Group

Wendy is an accomplished senior technology executive with a wealth of global operations experience, leading divisions within Fortune 100 companies as well as startups in the fields of cybersecurity, artificial intelligence, and health informatics. She is highly regarded as a Thought Leader and Speaker, empowering businesses to establish a robust commercial market presence through her expertise in product strategy, roadmap design, distribution channel development, and go-to-market execution.

Wendy is deeply involved in innovative product initiatives that include Cyber Security and Data Encryption Solutions, Optical/Robotics Systems, AI/ML & NLP, Health Informatics, and even her own ice cream brand!

Her educational background includes an MBA from The Wharton School, complemented by Masters and Bachelors degrees in Electrical Engineering from Cornell University.

Wise Words & Advice

When it comes to life wisdom, a valuable lesson is to believe in oneself when in doubt and to adhere to the principle of "trust and verify." The notion of "trust and verify" applies not only to Al but also to various aspects of life, including advice, offers, commitments, and interactions with people. As a minority woman, it is often necessary to overcome initial skepticism by showcasing expertise through effective communication. Therefore, it is important to continuously strive to be the best possible version of oneself and to always be prepared. As Taylor Swift aptly sings in her song, "haters are going to hate, hate, hate". The key is to ignore their negativity, while gracefully accepting genuine constructive criticism and incorporating it into personal growth.





Call to Action!

Nominate a Woman in Tech

Do you know a woman who has made a significant impact in the field of technology through her leadership and professional achievements? Nominate her for the SheLeadsTech Spotlight Series, where we recognize and honor the accomplishments of women in tech. To submit your nomination, please use the link provided <u>here</u> or scan the QR code.

Join the SheLeadsTech Task Force

Become a part of our SheLeadsTech community by volunteering at our in-person and virtual events. We are looking for volunteers to help with planning, speaking and leading discussions. If you're passionate about making a difference, please contact us at <u>sheleadstech@isacany.org</u> or reach out to one of our chairs.

Emerging Professionals Subcommittee



JapNeet Kaur, Chair



Alyssa Vumbaco, Co-chair

Who are Emerging Professionals? The Emerging Professionals (EP) Committee focus on members new to the profession and members 40 and under, representing the future of the profession. We provide guidance and networking opportunities as emerging professionals navigate through the early stages of their career.

Call to Action! Volunteer

Join our Emerging Professionals team and support the initiative by volunteering. Plan events, build a network, and share your ideas. Interested in speaking or mentoring? Contact <u>EmergingPros@isacany.org</u>.



Nominate a "Top Four Under 40" Candidate

The Top Four Under 40 program recognizes outstanding ISACA New York Metro members under 40 in the IT Audit, Cybersecurity, and GRC fields for their exceptional contributions to their teams and companies. These individuals go above and beyond, and we want to acknowledge their dedication to our sector. Four Emerging Professionals will be honored at our annual recognition event, featured on our social media channels, and given the opportunity to attend future exam review classes (valued at \$600). Nominate a deserving colleague or apply today using the link <u>here</u> or the QR code. *Note: The emerging professional must be a New York Metropolitan Chapter member to be eligible.*

OneInTech – Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Subcommittee

The ISACA New York Metropolitan Chapter believes that diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) drives value for our members and makes us better able to serve our membership and community. ISACA NYM is committed to fostering a culture that values diversity, equity, and inclusion.





Alyssa Vumbaco, Chair



OneInTech – DEI Spotlight

Is there someone at your company or in your circle who is committed to fostering a culture that values diversity, equity, and inclusion? Have they made an impact on you or others within your department, company, and/or network. If so, please help us recognize their contributions by nominating them for ISACA New York Metropolitan's new OneinTech – Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Spotlight Recognition Program. Submit your nomination using the provided link here or QR code.

Join the DEI Task Force

Become a part of our DEI Committee by volunteering at our in-person and/or virtual events. We are looking for volunteers to help with planning, speaking and leading discussions. If you're passionate about making a difference, please contact us at <u>membership@isacany.org</u> or reach out to the DEI chair.

Training and Development Committee



Ms. Kwongmei (May), Chair



Mr. Lance Flocco, Co-Chair

The New York Metropolitan Chapter is pleased to offer a wide range of certification and certificate exam review classes for 2023, including CISA, CISM (with new exam domains), CRISC, CGEIT, CDPSE, CCAK, and CCSK. We are excited to announce that Jay Ranade, who has been teaching ISACA certification exam review classes for our chapter since 2006, will be teaching all exam review classes hosted by the New York Metropolitan Chapter in 2023. Please save the dates for the upcoming classes in 2023 and take advantage of this valuable opportunity to prepare for your certification exams.

Don't wait. Register now!



Summer 2023 CISA Exam Prep



CISA and IT Boot Camp Combo Exam Prep

Saturdays 7/15, 7/22, 7/29, 8/5 9am-5:30pm ET

Early Bird! Member: **\$895** | \$995 Non-Member: \$995 | \$1095 Live webinar format only 28 CPEs

Info + RSVP: https://cvent.me/ZPQ1e1 Early Bird Registration Ends 6/19

Summer 2023 CISM Exam Prep

Sundays 7/30, 8/6 9am-5:30pm ET

Early Bird! Member: \$495 | \$595 Non-Member: \$595 | \$695 Live webinar format only 14 CPEs

Info + RSVP: https://cvent.me/VdZYLb Early Bird Registration ends 6/30

Saturdays 7/15, 7/22, 8/5 9am-5:30pm ET

Early Bird! Member: \$695 | \$795 Non-Member: \$795 | \$895 Live webinar format only 21 CPEs

Info + RSVP: https://cvent.me/bRr7Ea Early Bird Registration Ends 6/19

IT Boot Camp for CISA, CISM, **CRISC, CDPSE, CSX**

Saturday 7/29 9am-5:30pm ET

Member: \$300 Non-Member: \$350 Live webinar format only 7 CPEs CISA Certified Information Systems Auditar. CRISC Systems Control.

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Info + RSVP: https://cvent.me/x5W4Yq Last day to register is 7/24, 8pm

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Separate offerings also

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CISA Exam Prep

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IT Boot Camp

https://cvent.me/x5W4Yq





6/3, 6/10 9am-5pm ET

Member: \$595 Non-Member: \$695 Live webinar format only 14 CPEs

Info + RSVP: https://cvent.me/y8XyZr Last day to register is 5/29, 8pm

Summer 2023 Al - Machine Learning, **Deep Learning, Neural Networks for IT** Professionals

> Sunday 7/9 9am-5:30pm ET

> > Early Bird!

Member: \$245 | \$295 Non-Member: \$295 | \$345 Live webinar format only 7 CPEs

Info + RSVP:

https://cvent.me/wdG3AZ Early Bird Registration ends 6/12

Sundays 7/16, 7/23 9am-5:30pm ET

> Early Bird!

Member: \$495 | \$595 Non-Member: \$595 | \$695 Live webinar format only 14 CPEs

Info + RSVP: https://cvent.me/MzWrZg Early Bird Registration ends 6/16

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Tanya Baccam **Baccam Consulting**



Tanya is an experienced information security consultant and senior SANS instructor. She has consulted with a variety of clients about their security architecture in areas such as perimet security, network infrastructure design, system audits, Web server security, Web application assessments risk assessments, penetration testing, and database security. She has played an integral role in developing multiple business applications in roles ranging from the director of assurance service: for a security services consulting firm, the manager of infrastructure security for a healthcare organization, and as a manager at Deloitte. She currently holds CPA, GIAC GCIH, CISSP, CISM, CITP, CISA, CCNA, and OCP DBA certifications.



Summer 2023 Auditing Active Directory, **Azure and Windows:** Hands-On Training

> 6/21, 6/22, 6/23 9am-5pm ET

Member: \$795 Non-Member: \$895 Live webinar format only 21 CPEs

Info + RSVP: https://cvent.me/ZLv1bO

2023 Summer Fraud Risk Management for IT Professionals and Auditors

Saturday 7/8, 9a-5p ET

Fall 2023

Blockchain: Technology, Applications, Risk, and Controls

Cupday (10/1E)

9am-5pm ET

Early Bird!

Member: \$295 | \$345 Non-Member: \$345 | \$395 Live webinar format only 7 CPEs

Info + RSVP:

https://cvent.me/240Alq Early Bird Registrations ends 9/15

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Member: \$245 | \$295

Non-Member: \$295 | \$345

Live webinar format only

Summer 2023

Auditing Network Security

Info + RSVP:

https://cvent.me/QWgL15

Saturday 9/9 9am-5pm ET

Early Bird! Member: \$245 | \$295 Non-Member: \$295 | \$345 Live webinar format only 7 CPEs

New Lunch & Learn Series "How to Implement" with Chris Moschovitis How to implement the NIST Privacy Framework

Date: June 13rd, 2023 12 to 1pm, CPE: 1 https://cvent.me/RrKV2I

Info + RSVP:

https://cvent.me/dXGQkb Early Bird Registrations ends 8/9

New Program from the Committee

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The ISACA New York Metropolitan Chapter and Lions Pride are proud to announce their new CPE "On-Demand" softskills program course series launching in July. Chad Reyes, co-founder Lions Pride, who has been so instrumental in our Leadership Series, will be presenting the modules.

Four programs will be conducted in this series. The first program will be **"10 Steps to Getting Ahead in Work and Life" (10 CPE Credits)**. In this course, the groundwork is explained and tips and tools for a life of personal self-growth are provided.

The other three courses listed below will be introduced later in the year:

21 Irrefutable Laws of Leadership (21 CPE Credits)

This CPE course is a foundational instruction manual for a life of leadership. Learn specific steps to build and sharpen both your business and personal life. Beginning with the Law of the Lid and ending at the Law of the Legacy. This CPE course will change the way you live and lead.

8 Steps to Developing People (9 CPE Credits)

This course take you through the 8 essential items to understand when developing people. This CPE course brings awareness, giftedness, and style together in a way that simplifies the steps to ensure people are developing below you.





5 Levels of Leadership (5 CPE Credits)

Before embarking on any journey, we must first locate ourselves. I'm sure you've been in an elevator lobby and took notice of a small diagram on the wall with either a red dot or an arrow accompanied by the words, "you are here." That simple diagram enables us to gain our bearings; knowing where we stand clarifies where we need to take our next steps toward our intended destination. This simple principle applies to developing ourselves and others. The 5 levels of Leadership course will show how to apply these levels to gaining influence with others.

Please lookout for the details of this CPE Program Series to be unveiled at our Annual June Gala.

We look forward to seeing you there!

If you have any topics that you would like the committee to present or would like to present a topic as a guest speaker, please write to <u>education@isacany.org</u>

ACADEMIC RELATIONS





Eugene Levin, Co-Chair

Ashey Mangar-Persaud, Chair

2023 Student Cybersecurity Case Study Competition

The 4th Annual Cybersecurity Case Study Competition, organized by the Academic Relations Committee, featured 16 teams, comprising 81 students from renowned institutions such as CUNY Baruch College, CUNY Queens College, Pace University, Yeshiva University, Maryland University, Binghamton University, Stevens Institute of Technology, Columbia University, SUNY University at Albany, and Manhattan High School for Girls. The case study, "Pharmaco," was developed by the Beedie School of Business at Simon Fraser University, which focused on topics like Ransomware, Email Theft, PHI Theft, Malware Infection, and Large Breach.

Eleven teams successfully completed the "PharmaCo" case study and submitted their analysis to seven competition judges. The judges ranked all teams, and on Sunday, May 7th, the top three teams were interviewed. Students in the winning teams received chapter scholarships from a prize fund of \$30K.

The winners of the competition:

1st place: Cyber Tiger Security
Joint team from Baruch College and Stevens Institute of Technology
2nd place: Seems Susphishus
Baruch College
3rd place: Ransom Fighters
Queens College

We would like to express our gratitude to competition sponsors, **Fortinet**, **Protiviti**, and **ISACA NJ Chapter**, for their generous contributions to the prize fund. Their support has been invaluable in helping ISACA New York Metropolitan Chapter to cultivate the next generation of cybersecurity leaders.

2023 Academic Relation Awards

Outstanding ISACA Student Group - Baruch College Cybersecurity Club

The Baruch Cybersecurity Club has demonstrated outstanding commitment and active involvement with the ISACA NY Metropolitan Chapter. They have consistently attended a significant number of monthly meetings, actively engaging with the Academic Relations Committee, and actively participating in various ISACA NY Metropolitan events. The Academic Relations Committee has consistently received excellent feedback from ISACA volunteers and expresses their willingness to collaborate with the Baruch students in the future. Their dedication and contributions make them a deserving nominee for the "Outstanding Student Group" award.

Outstanding Student Contributor - Iqra Malik

Iqra Malik, the former President of the Baruch Cybersecurity Club, deserves recognition as an "Outstanding Student Contributor." Despite stepping down from her presidency in Spring 2023, Iqra Malik remains actively involved in the club's activities. She consistently provides valuable suggestions to the Academic Relations Committee, such as using Discord for communicating with the student members. Moreover, Iqra Malik has gone the extra mile by collaborating with other ISACA Student Groups to organize student events, showcasing her exceptional dedication and leadership skills. Iqra Malik has also been the recipient of the ISACA NY Metropolitan Chapter scholarship, further highlighting her commitment to academic excellence and engagement with the organization.

Outstanding Academic Advisor - Professor Steven A. Solieri

Professor Steven A. Solieri has been closely collaborating with the ISACA Student Group at Queens College since its inception. During his tenure, he has consistently motivated students from Queens College to actively engage in various activities organized by the ISACA NY Metropolitan Chapter, with particular emphasis on the annual Student Competition. Additionally, Professor Steven A. Solieri has successfully introduced an IT Audit course at Queens College and collaborated with Eugene Levin and Barry Dynkin, the Chairs of Academic Relations, to develop a comprehensive syllabus for the academic year.

CUNY TIRC Program

If you are interested in teaching at a university for the Fall semester (August 2023- December 2023), ISACA NY Metropolitan Chapter has partnered with CUNY (City University of New York) Central for the NYC Tech-In Residence Corps (TIRC). The Tech-in-Residence Corps was launched in 2017 by the City of New York, NYC tech companies, and CUNY to equip college students with the in-demand skills they need to enter the workforce. Co-designed by industry and academia, the program aims to infuse real-world experience and skills, taught by today's top tech leaders, into tech degree programs. Tech-in-Residence Corps members are equipped with training and support to teach the next generation of NYC students.

To register or to learn more about the program, visit this website or sign up here.

ISACA Academic Relations Advisory Team Volunteer Opportunity

ISACA Academic Relations is looking for volunteers who are willing to work closely with our ISACA Student Groups for the following key activities:

- Advise the student bodies of the ISACA clubs in planning, marketing, and executing events
- Advise students on how to conduct elections and transition roles for each semester/ academic year
- Inform students of upcoming ISACA events
- Report to the Chair of Academic Relations on student activities and resources needed for the clubs (e.g.: speakers for presentation, food for ISACA events, etc.)
- And more!

Volunteering for this team will begin in August 2023!

If you are interested in this opportunity, please fill out the <u>ISACA NY Metropolitan Volunteer Form</u> or email us at <u>academic.relations@isacany.org</u>.

Call to Action

• Looking for IT professionals who would like to give a presentation on any IT topic at any university

 Looking for mentors to work with students during 2023-2024 academic year and help them with career development and job search

If interested please fill out the ISACA NY Metropolitan Volunteer Form or email us at academic.relations@isacany.org.

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Eugene Levin, Acting Chair

Chapter Scholarship

In the 2022-2023 academic year, the New York Metropolitan Chapter proudly awarded **three \$1,500 scholarships** to students interested in pursuing Digital Trust professions. Looking ahead, we are thrilled to announce a new initiative that will allow us to expand our scholarship program. Our fundraiser will culminate at the Gala, with the goal of raising **\$16,000** to award **eight \$2,000 scholarships** in the 2023-2024 academic year.

To help us achieve our fundraising target, the New York Metropolitan Chapter has pledged to match donations up to a total of **\$8,000**. We are fully committed to supporting the next generation of digital trust professionals and we hope you will join us in this critical mission.



If you would like to contribute to the New York Metropolitan Scholarship Fund, which will be used to award scholarships in the 2023-2024 academic year and will be matched 100% by the chapter, please use the QR code. Your donation is tax-deductible and will make a meaningful difference in the lives of aspiring Digital Trust professionals.





ISACA New York Metropolitan Chapter Moisey Levin Memorial Scholarship



Four students pursuing an IT security-related degree in the NY Metro area will be awarded:

- \$2,000 USD academic scholarship for tuition
- A Career Building Bundle
 - Free ISACA Student Membership, course, mentorship, and more!

Apply 5 June - 3 July 2023



ISACA Grove

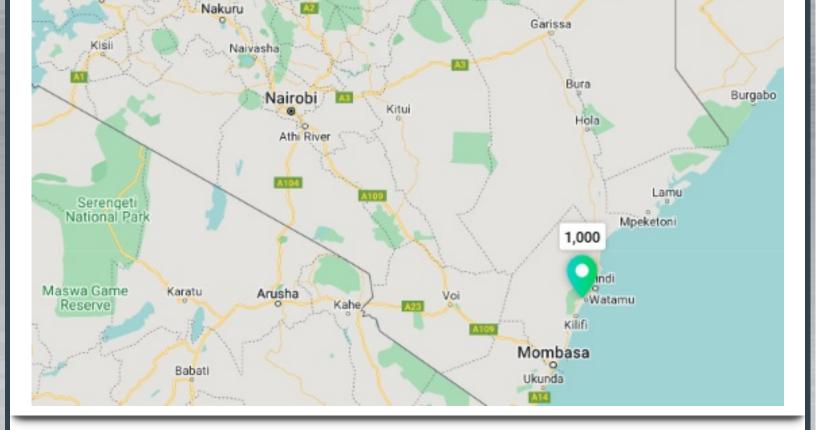
The New York Metropolitan chapter is thrilled to announce its partnership with <u>Evertreen.com</u>, a trailblazer in technological advancements that empower individuals worldwide to make a positive impact on our planet.

Through this collaboration, we are dedicated to combating deforestation and promoting habitat protection in 12 countries across the globe. Our alliance with <u>Evertreen.com</u> is instrumental in achieving this goal, as their satellite monitoring service provides unparalleled transparency, enabling us to witness the tangible impact of our tree planting endeavors. Evertreen.com's public page offers the opportunity for everyone to view the GPS coordinates of their trees, allowing for a seamless understanding of the direct effect of their contributions. Additionally, chapter members have the unique ability to contribute to the **ISACA Grove** initiated by the New York Metropolitan chapter by adding their own trees.

The significance of Evertreen.com's tree planting projects extends beyond environmental benefits. These initiatives also prioritize the creation of stable employment opportunities for local farming communities involved in the projects. By planting trees, we not only contribute to environmental sustainability but also support local economies and communities.

We are proud to announce the establishment of **ISACA Grove**, a flourishing forest comprising 1000 trees located in Kenya. Watch it grow and witness the impact of **ISACA Grove** by visiting the following link: https://evertreen.com/company/isacany





CSX LIAISON & CYBERSECURITY EDUCATION LEADER



Jay Rofsky, Chair

Overview

The Cybersecurity Education Leader provides CSX-Fundamental (CSX-F) training for chapter members as well as Cybersecurity awareness updates and hot topics of interest to the membership.

Call to Action

If you are interested in supporting the Cybersecurity outreach of this Chapter, please contact Corresponding.secretary@isacany.org or click here for volunteering information.

Current Hot Topics

Every month, the Cybersecurity Education Leader plans to provide the latest Cybersecurity industry updates related to IT Audit, Cyber Breaches and Threats, Cloud Technology, Data & Privacy, and Enabling Technology.

If you have any updates, you believe are worth noting, please email our chapter lead.

Ransomware Surge Reveals Backup Response Flaws

The threat of ransomware is escalating as evidenced by Veeam's 2023 Ransomware Trends Report, which shows 85% of organizations experiencing at least one ransomware attack in the past year. Worryingly, the report predicts that if this trend continues, more organizations will face a ransomware attack than record a profit. The study found that 93% of ransomware incidents targeted backup repositories, leading to 75% of victims losing at

OX Security Integrates ChatGPT to Enhance Software Supply Chain Security Services

OX Security has announced its utilization of OpenAI's ChatGPT to enhance its software supply chain security services. The firm has integrated the AI chatbot to launch 'OX-GPT', a platform created to assist developers in swiftly addressing security vulnerabilities during the software development process. This system provides immediate information on how specific code could be exploited by threat actors and the potential consequences of such least part of their backups during the attack. More concerning, 39% of backup repositories were entirely lost, indicating a significant vulnerability for many organizations.

Furthermore, the report reveals that 80% of victimized organizations opt to pay the ransom to retrieve their data, although 21% don't regain their data even after payment. Despite the majority of respondents (87%) claiming they have a risk management program, only 35% are confident in their effectiveness, with over half (52%) aiming to enhance their existing security measures. Interestingly, while 'clean backup copies' and 'recurring verification of backup recoverability' were identified as vital defense strategies, a significant disconnect remains as 60% of organizations report insufficient alignment between their backup and cybersecurity teams. Veeam's CTO, Danny Allan, emphasizes the need for robust recovery plans and better alignment across teams for effective ransomware preparedness.

For more info: <u>Source 1 Source 2</u>

IT Audit Updates

- Cyber-Resilience Programs Failing on Poor Visibility
 <u>Source 1 Source 2</u>
- GDPR Fines: Are They Working? Source 1 Source 2

Cyber Breaches & Threats

- Cyber Warfare Escalates Amid China-Taiwan Tensions <u>Source 1</u> <u>Source 2</u>
- Advanced Phishing Attacks Surge 356% in 2022
 <u>Source 1 Source 2</u>

Cloud Technology

- Salesforce Community Cloud Data Leaks Shine Light On Misconfigurations <u>Source 1</u> Source 2
- Github: A Flexible Cloud Service Increasingly Exploited by State-Sponsored Threat Actors <u>Source</u> <u>1</u>

attacks. To help developers solve security issues swiftly before production, OX-GPT also delivers customized fix suggestions and ready-to-use code fixes.

Many developers lack adequate cybersecurity training, leading to the creation of extensive vulnerable code and requiring constant patch management. Despite concerns about ChatGPT being used maliciously for sophisticated cyber-attacks, others see its potential in fostering more secure code by design, substantially mitigating the risk of software supply chain incidents. OX Security's CEO, Neatsun Ziv, highlighted that OX-GPT can provide faster and more precise data to developers than other tools, and is able to drastically reduce false positives due to its training on large, real-world datasets. However, AI models like ChatGPT should not be solely relied upon to generate code, as they are not an equivalent substitute for human developers and their output could potentially lead to security vulnerabilities.

For more info: Source 1 Source 2

Data & Privacy

- Microsoft Warns of Increase in Business Email Compromise Attacks <u>Source 1 Source 2</u>
- Google Voice Scams Tied to Majority of Compromised Identities <u>Source 1 Source 2</u>

Enabling Technology

- TSA Starts Voluntary Facial Recognition Pilot Program <u>Source 1</u> <u>Source 2</u>
- Social Media Phishing The 2023 Cybersecurity Threat <u>Source 1 Source 2</u>

Special thanks to our CSX and Cyber Education Leader Volunteers for their great work identifying and summarizing the content for the Chapter.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

If you are interested in volunteering, see our <u>volunteer</u> <u>webpage</u>, and send an email to <u>volunteer@isacany.org</u> to let us know the following:

- 1. What committee(s) you are interested in?
- 2. What is your time commitment?
- 3. Submit a photo
- 4. Short Bio (up to 250 words)

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Employers: List open positions on our website for FREE! Openings are posted for 30 days unless you direct otherwise. Send position description and contact information to jobs@isacany.org. NOTE: job postings can only be seen by registered users logged into our site.

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