

ChicagoCon 2008s - World Class Security Training & Ethical Hacking Conference

ChicagoCon 2008s from May 12 - 18, 2008 features all new keynoters, additional security boot camps, exams on-site followed by two days of ethical hacking presentations and breakout sessions. And without an exhibit hall full of sales pitches, you're free to learn from the pros, network with peers and advance your infosec career.

Westchester, IL (PRWEB) January 29, 2008 -- Presented by the Ethical Hacker Network (EH-Net) and its parent company, The Digital Construction Company (TDCC), ChicagoCon is positioned to become the premier security event in the industry by bringing together the biggest names in education and certification under one roof for a week of security training like no other. With boot-camp style, hands-on classroom training, the (s)pring edition of ChicagoCon will host 13 courses from May 12 - 16 featuring a cross-section of the security landscape. We will also showcase researchers and InfoSec professionals during the conference portion of the event from May 16 - 17. From the novice, to the ultimate techie to those reaching for the CISO chair... everyone interested in a career in security will find something at ChicagoCon, your one-stop shop for security training and certification.

But ChicagoCon is not just another boot camp, security conference or hacker con. It's all of those wrapped into one. By providing top instructors, well known certifications, and 2 days of presentations, this unique event adds plenty of additional value to already strained training budgets. As a bonus, daily keynote addresses by industry experts Special Agent Patrick M. Geahan (FBI Cyber Crimes Division), Ralph R. Echemendia (world renowned hacking instructor), Mike Murray (Director Neohapsis Labs) and Matthew Carpenter (SANS, Intelguardians) will be presented only to the training students. Luke McOmie of TruTV's Tiger Team will provide the opening keynote for the conference on Friday afternoon for all to enjoy.

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"With the support shown during the first ChicagoCon last September, the Chicagoland area has not only shown the capacity to host a world-class security event but also the desire to have it thrive for years to come," says TDCC CEO, Deana L. Donzal. Wider educational support continues to grow as well with the addition of Microsoft, Offensive Security, the SANS Institute, and the Security Certified Program (SCP). They join current educational sponsors CompTIA, EC-Council, IACRB, (ISC)2, LearnSecurityOnline and the SOX Institute.

Training (Monday - Friday)

When it comes to training and certification, instructors make all the difference in the world. For that reason, TDCC chose to partner with award winning training providers, Training Camp (Premier Partner), InfoSec Institute, Offensive Security

and the SANS Institute and all are offering discounts to their normal prices for all ChicagoCon attendees. Together the assembled list of instructors is impressive, all of which are prominently displayed with full biographies to bring the following 5-Day classes:

Management

- PMP/CAPM - Project Management - Register
- SOX Compliance - Register
- CISSP -- Security Management (7-Day Course with exam on-site) - Register

Beginner

- Ethical Hacking Fundamentals with CompTIA's Network+ and Security+ - Register
- CCNA - Cisco Certified Network Associate (Covers New CCENT and CCNA Material) - Register
- Microsoft ISA Server 2006 (70-351) - Register

Intermediate

- CEH (CNDA) - Certified Ethical Hacker - Register
- CHFI - Certified Hacking Forensics Investigator - Register
- ECSA - EC-Council Certified Security Analyst - Register

Advanced Hacking

- BackTrack to the Max (Exclusive First Run EVER)- Register
- CEPT - Certified Expert Penetration Tester - Register
- Web Application Hacking - Register

Special 2-Day Workshop (Wednesday & Thursday)

SANS' Cutting-Edge Hacking Techniques - Hands On (Developed by Ed Skoudis and taught by keynoter James Shewmaker) - Register

To register for a training course or see pricing information, please visit the ChicagoCon Web Site and click "Register Now!"

"Con" Activities (Friday & Saturday)

Editors Note: Registration for the Conference ONLY is not yet open. Training students get free admission and will determine the number of available seats.

All students of ChicagoCon training get free admission to the "con" activities on May 16 - 17. Included are numerous hour-long presentations from top researchers and educators, extended breakout sessions (topics include penetration testing, SCADA security, Microsoft security technologies, and open source hacking tools) as well as hacking contests. Admission to the conference will only cost \$100 for all others.

Learning and practical experience are the hallmarks of this event. With a plush 180-seat, stadium-style auditorium for the keynotes and presentations, the facilities also have separate classrooms with computers and the courseware provided for the students, whiteboards and projectors for the instructors, as well as meeting space and lounge areas for all to eat, study and network with colleagues. And with the exams being provided on site, there is every reason to believe that all students will go home with an industry recognized credential in hand. When all is said and done, the students will be exhausted not from simply sitting and listening but rather gaining real, hands-on skills. All participants will leave Chicago feeling fully satisfied with the investment made in themselves and their company.

Donald C. Donzal, Editor-In-Chief of EH-Net and organizer of ChicagoCon, states, "In order to get Chicago to be synonymous again with world-class technology events, it's going to take creativity to put a new spin on the 'events of old' and career advancement must be the focus. With the work ethic of a blue collar town, the best sports fans anywhere, even better food, throw in the brain power of the Chicago IT community, and there is no better host city in the world than the 3rd largest US and 24th largest global metropolis."

To reach this highly targeted market, review the extremely affordable sponsorship opportunities.

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