



15TH ANNUAL LEADERSHIP EVENT

# CYBER SECURITY SUMMIT

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## 2025 Agenda

October 20, 2025

5:00 PM CT

**International Reception** Share session

5:00 PM-7:00 PM

Special Events

**Fireside**

\*Join us at the International Reception to welcome our international delegates, visitors to the United States, and invited guests. Included as part of the VIP All Access Pass or available to purchase as an extra item. The global cyber threat environment is being shaped by a series of significant state-sponsored cyberattacks.



**Sean Costigan**  
Operating Partner  
Bluedge Ventures



**Dr. David Mussington**  
Professor | University of Marylan...  
Visionary Global Security Leader

October 21, 2025

7:00 AM CT

**InfraGard Breakfast** Share session

7:00 AM-7:50 AM

Meal

**Arbor Lakes**

Fuel up and find out why the FBI InfraGard is the nation's strongest information-sharing network for security professionals and critical infrastructure protection. Meet recently retired FBI Special Agents Doug Dvorak, Liz Lehrkamp and John Bonhage, this year's CSS Visionary Security Awareness Program Leader honorees.



**John Bonhage**  
Special Agent (ret.) | FBI  
Visionary Security Awareness Pro...



**Douglas Dvorak**  
Special Agent (ret.) | FBI  
Visionary Security Awareness Pro...

**MNIT Careers Breakfast: For Students & Seasoned Cyber Pros** Share session

7:00 AM-7:50 AM

Meal

**Fireside**

Hosted by MNIT, home to the State of Minnesota IT Services team, this is the breakfast where students can get career insights and learn about the cyber role options in government. Not a student? Not to worry! Register now as we'll have food for all who are Fearlessly Forward!



**Jen VanDemmeltraadt**  
Deputy CISO/Enterprise Security ...  
MNIT



**John Israel**  
Assistant Commissioner and Chi...  
MNIT

8:00 AM CT

**Featured**

**Cyber Sports Regional CTF Competition - Observer** Share session

8:00 AM-3:15 PM

Special Events

**Elm Creek**

The Cyber Sports Regional Capture the Flag competition brings high-stakes cyber challenges and high-speed gamification to the Summit for the second year in a row. Stop by for a few minutes to see top high school, college and pro teams redefine hyper-focus from log in to flag found. Today's teens are tomorrow's workforce, and Cyber Sports ... view more



**Darla Lewandowski**  
Cyber Sports Operations Leader  
Cyber Sports



**Lise Rediske**  
Executive Director Outreach and ...  
Cyber Sports

**Welcome to the Cyber Security Summit** Share session

8:00 AM-8:15 AM

General Session

**Northland Ballroom**

Thanks to title sponsor Google Cloud Security and the strength of a community 25K strong, Summit producer Eileen Manning gives a retrospective lookback, and CSS15 Summit Co-Chairs Shawn Riley and Shayla Treadwell start off two days of cybersecurity excellence by defining the Fearlessly Forward theme, including the "IT" in FIND IT. FIX IT. FORTIFY ... view more



**Eileen Manning**  
Founding Partner  
Cyber Security Summit



**Shawn Riley**  
Co-founder & CEO  
BisBlox

8:15 AM CT

**Chart New Frontiers and Transform Business with AI, Cyber and Cloud** Share session

8:15 AM-9:00 AM

General Session

**Northland Ballroom**

Paint a picture of your work, using a palette of new frontiers for a horizon that's harmonized. See the transformative impact that results when organizations integrate artificial intelligence, cybersecurity, and cloud technologies across business operations. AI-driven security has brought a sea change for cybersecurity methods, with increased automatio... view more



**Shayla Treadwell**  
Deputy Chief Security Officer  
Lumen

9:00 AM CT

**State of the Hack** Share session

9:00 AM-9:30 AM

General Session

**Northland Ballroom**

With the barrage of cyber-attacks from criminals, insiders, hactivists and nation-state threat actors, it's important to stay on top of the latest tradecraft to be able to defend and respond to incidents. Jibran Ilyas will walk through the perpetrators' tactics, techniques, and procedures and today's threat landscape to help prioritize cyber defense security ... view more



**Jibran Ilyas**  
Director  
Google Cloud Security

10:00 AM CT

**All "Other Identities" Are Here, Whether They're Welcome or Not** Share session

10:00 AM-10:30 AM

General Session

**Northland Ballroom**

Let's talk identity. Today we obsess over workforce IAM and lock down employee access like Fort Knox. But what about the others? Non-human identities, external partners, and customer identities run wild. If you don't pay attention, they'll introduce massive security gaps. This session breaks down the identity landscape beyond human users to include the ... view more



**David Lee**  
Field CTO  
Saviynt

10:30 AM CT

**Resilience Refreshed: Break It Down to Build It Up** Share session

10:30 AM-11:15 AM

General Session

**Northland Ballroom**

Cybersecurity work is often about disruption (ideally, preventing, but often, responding) and resilience is that word that permeates conversations like the 'win-win' of yesteryear. It's a business imperative, but what exactly is it, and what does it take to build and sustain it? Learn from candid discussion with industry leaders who have navigated through ... view more



**Noam Perel**  
Field CTO - Security RX  
Rubrik



**Dan Cunningham**  
Information Technology Security ...  
Prime Therapeutics

11:15 AM CT

**Embracing the Cloud(s) Doesn't Have to Stop the Sun from Shining** Share session

11:15 AM-11:45 AM

General Session

**Northland Ballroom**

Follow Castlake's global technology and security transformation journey to a cloud-only environment. From the offices to the data centers to a portfolio of SaaS/PaaS/IaaS solutions and the build-out of a 24x7 support desk and security operations center, very little was left untouched, including re-working most of an existing Azure tenant and ... view more



**David Notch**  
CISO  
Castlake



**Lynette Seminara**  
Client Account Lead  
Avanade

11:45 AM CT

**CISO Luncheon - Security that Drives Growth and Velocity** Share session

11:45 AM-1:00 PM

Meal

**Fireside**

Explore how strong security foundations can accelerate delivery and business growth, rather than slow them down. Learn the steps to position your program in a positive light and elevate C-Suite perceptions. Leave with leverage and be seen as trusted enabler for innovation, customer confidence, and market expansion. The CISO Luncheon is sponsored b... view more



**Quincy Castro**  
CISO  
Chainguard

**Networking Lunch** Share session

11:45 AM-1:00 PM

Meal

**Great Hall**

Head to the Northland Foyer for a Networking Lunch and New connections with ten table topics to choose from.

1:00 PM CT

**Safeguarding the Bioeconomy: Biotechnology Needs a Security Patch...Badly** Share session

1:00 PM-1:40 PM

General Session

**Northland Ballroom**

The bioeconomy promises profound, beneficial impacts in the areas of health, agriculture, renewable energy, and additive manufacturing. However, when it comes to security, biological threats have historically focused on emerging infectious diseases or the possibility of engineering a virus to start a zombie apocalypse. As biotech converges with the... view more



**Edward You**  
Supervisory Special Agent (ret.)  
FBI

1:40 PM CT

**Ransomware Attack - The City's Detection and Response to Interlock** Share session

1:40 PM-2:30 PM

General Session

**Northland Ballroom**

Join the City of St. Paul security team for a review of the recent ransomware attack initial access and detection phases. The brief will focus on the "drive-by download" technique used for initial access, and the endpoint detection and response (EDR) that signaled the City to take immediate response actions. Using the July 22, 2025 joint FBI | CISA | HHS... view more



**Sherina Gant**  
City Lead Security Analyst  
City of St. Paul



**Stefanie Horvath**  
CISO  
City of St. Paul

2:45 PM CT

**Featured**

**Cyber Sports CTF Awards** Share session

2:45 PM-3:00 PM

Special Events

**Elm Creek**

3:00 PM CT

**Tackle Threats with New Teams and Non-Technical Tools** Share session

3:00 PM-3:30 PM

General Session

**Northland Ballroom**

This interactive facilitated session, led by noted intelligence expert Chris Tatarka (35+ years with the FBI and U.S. Army), highlights the non-technical factors that often make or break security efforts. We'll examine how cognitive biases and underlying human-centric tendencies can quietly derail cyber security practices and responses. Through case studies ... view more



**Christopher Tatarka**  
Organizational Consultant  
MRA - The Management Association

3:30 PM CT

**Rethinking Resilience: Don't Bounce Back, Forge Forward** Share session

3:30 PM-4:15 PM

General Session

**Northland Ballroom**

What does it take to lean Fearlessly Forward and face the risk, speed, and daily disruption of the cyber sphere? And when things go really wrong, how do you forge ahead to lead others through turbulence? We've heard "Be resilient - bounce back!" - but what if it's too late when you get back? Author, TedX speaker and former cybersecurity CEO Tissa ... view more



**Tissa Richards**  
Author, TedX Speaker  
Rethinking Resilience



**Rob Slaughter**  
Strategic Account Executive  
Ping Identity

4:15 PM CT

**Visionary Leadership Awards** Share session

4:15 PM-5:00 PM

General Session

**Northland Ballroom**

The 2025 Cyber Security Summit Visionary Leadership Awards recognize thirteen people behind the outstanding work that improves security and makes a difference. Nominated by peers and colleagues, the Visionary Leadership Award honorees will take the stage as we recognize and celebrate their Fearlessly Forward contributions.



**Christopher Buse**  
SVP and CISO  
Old Republic International



**David Notch**  
CISO  
Castlake

5:00 PM CT

**Featured**

**State of MN Department of Military Affairs Awards** Share session

5:00 PM-5:15 PM

General Session

**Northland Ballroom**

State of Minnesota Department of Military Affairs Awards Major General Stefania Horvath will present the 2025 Minnesota Achievement Ribbon, Minnesota Commendation Medal, and Minnesota Medal for Merit awards. These mission-focused awards recognize the exemplary service provided by soldiers and airmen during the response to the ... view more



**Mary Gleich-Matthews**  
CIO  
City of St. Paul

5:15 PM CT

**Reception & Rethinking Resilience Book Signing with Tissa Richards** Share session

5:15 PM-6:00 PM

Special Events

**Northland Foyer**

Toast the 2025 Visionary Leadership Award honorees and visit our sponsors at the Fearlessly Forward EXPO reception. Get in queue to meet author and keynote speaker Tissa Richards for a signed copy of Rethinking Resilience: Fueling Your Competitive Advantage (released in October, this will be hot off the presses)! Sponsored by Ping Identity.



**Tissa Richards**  
Author, TedX Speaker  
Rethinking Resilience

6:15 PM CT

**VIP Dinner: Agentic AI will Reshape every Job, Task, Industry** Share session

6:15 PM-8:00 PM

Meal

**Fireside**

The Summit's foundational strength is found in the fantastically diverse community we've built over fifteen years. Check the box to attend Tuesday's VIP Dinner where you'll meet more people and discuss the day's highlights. The VIP Dinner is included with a VIP All Access Pass or can be added as an \$85 extra to the one-day Fearlessly Forward registration. Sponsored b... view more



**Jeremy Hehl**  
Vice President, Business Development  
Foresite Cybersecurity