

FRIDAY, AUGUST 15

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1045 - HOPE_16 Opening Ceremonies

1100 Dark Web Digger: Modular Scraping for Dark Web Intel

Samantha Stortz, Dominick Foti

1200 The Five Pillars for Rewriting History and Culture

Alexander J. Urbelis, Daniel Nowak, Roel Schouwenberg

1300 The Present and Future of Online Discourse

Harper Reed

1400 Getting Out of DOGE: A Discussion With a Former DOGE Engineer

Adam Klasfeld, Sahil Lavingia

1500 How a Handful of Location Data Brokers Actively Track Millions, and How to Stop Them

Bill Budington, Lena Cohen

1600 Activism, Hactivism, and the Law

Alex Muentz

1700 Claw Back Your Data From Big Tech With Cyd

Micah Lee, redshiftzero

1800 QWK Packets and the Muffled Spark

Jason Scott

1900 Hardware Hacking Meets Art: How Movie Special Effects Are Made

Davis DeWitt

2000 The Quantum Curtain

Ed Ryan

2100 Tips on Living Life in Interesting Times

Mitch Altman

LITTLE THEATRE

1100 Spooky Action at a Discount: DIY Meshtastic Nodes

Kody Kinzie

1200 A Sleuth's Stories on Detecting and Revealing Large-Scale Research Fraud

Mu Yang

1300 Hack the Violin Part 2: The Advanced Stuff - This Time There's AI

Andrew Morican, Ebmbat

1400 Into the Fediverse

Evan Prodromou

1500 Small Budget, Big Protection: Cyber Defense for SMBs

Robert Wagner

1600 Human Augmentation: Hacking Human Perception and Performance With Technology: Benefits and Dangers

Lucas Potter, Xavier Palmer, Vivekanand Pandey Vimal

1700 A Red Team Exercise 2025, 15 Years Later

Tom Brennan, Vladislav Gostomelsky, Logan Klein

1800 Turning Leaks Into Leads With OCCRP Aleph

Ezana Ceman, Klil Eden

1900 Eco-Hacking Desire: The Intersection of Pornography, Sex, and Environmental Impact

Jasmin Hagendorfer

2000 Bitpart: 5-In-1 Platform for Activism Over Signal

Josh King

2100 Data Autonomy: Counter-Surveillance Strategies for Civil Society

Marlon Kautz

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TOBIN

1200 PrivacySafe and 3NWeb: Engineering User-Centric Digital Sovereignty

Mikalai Birukou

1300 Media, Vibe Coding, and the Long Tail

Lydia Laurensen

1400 CRXaminer - Deep Dive Into Chrome Extensions (Plus Tool)

Mark El-Khoury

1500 Itinerant Signal Institute (Rite of Spring)

Amelia Marzec

1600 PrivacyTests.org: Web Browser Leak Testing

Arthur Edelstein

1700 Packets Over Any Wire: Alternative Networking Mediums for Hackers

Haxedalot

1800 Aphantasia: A Personal Reflection

Dr. Earl Brown

1900 Meshtastic Attacktastic

Dave “Heal” Schwartzberg

2000 Esolangs as a Hacker Folk Art

Daniel Temkin

2100 Off-Grid Data Running in Oppressive Regimes: The Pirate Box Project (and Sneakernet!)

LambdaCalculus

SATURDAY, AUGUST 16

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1000 StickTock.com: An Open-Source Alternative in the Age of Digital Protectionism

Sean O’Brien

1100 Hacking the Tech-Industrial Complex: Learning to See Invisible Systems

Seth Godin

1200 Ask the EFF

William Budington, Lena Cohen, Cara Gagliano, José Martinez

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1400 How Law Enforcement Agencies Compromise Entire Encrypted Chat Platforms

Joseph Cox

1500 Not Your Private Army: On the Trail of Cyber Ops

Emma Best

1600 Both Sides of the Wire: Surveillance, Whistleblowing, and Building a Cyber Peace Movement

John Kiriakou

1700 Phrack Magazine #72 - 40th Anniversary Release Party

Netspooky, TMZ

1800 Solving My Identity Crisis

Dr. Phill Hallam-Baker

1900 DIY Police Scanner With SDRs and Open Source Software

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2000 When the Lawman Comes Calling - Government Data Demands and Online Platforms

Fred Jennings

2100 From Activism to Hacktivism: Resisting Digital Repression

Gabrielle Joni Verreault, Elina Castillo-Jimnez, Jane Eklund, Ken Mayers (Moderator)

2200 Hackers Got Talent

Jason Scott & Friends

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LITTLE THEATRE

1000 Offworld Voyage: Can Training for Mars Exploration Also Address Human Adaptation to Climate Biodevastation on Earth?

Scott Beibin, Elizabeth Jane Cole

1100 rim: Reclaiming Personal Data Sovereignty in the Age of Wearables

Dana Gretton, Jaguar Kristeller

1200 Aging Cyber Safely

Laura Sang Hee Scherling, Josefina Piddo

1300 Hacking Search: Kagi's Revolt Against the Ad-Tech Machine

Vladimir Prelovac

1400 HOPE_16 Badge - No Badge, No Problem

Victoria Joh, Vinicius Fortuna

1500 Systems of Dehumanization: The Digital Frontlines of the War Against Bodily Autonomy

Daly Barnett

1600 Back to Basics: Building Resilient Cyber Defenses for Multiple Use Cases

Yael Grauer

1700 Zodiac Killer Marketing: How I Used Codes, Cyphers and Nefarious Means to Launch a Covert Food Business

Chef Adam Sobel

1800 Leading and Survival When TSHTF - A Lighthearted Look at the End of the World

George Sandford

1900 The Future of Email Is Open

Dejan Štrbac, William Lessard

2000 Bridging the Decentralized Gap: Shared Hacker Values, Cypherpunk Roots, and the Future of Blockchains

Alexander Urbelis, Phil Daian, Harry Halpin

2100 Computational Techniques for Making Karaoke Harder

Jamie Brew

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TOBIN

1000 Things You Wish You Knew About Software Testing

Dan Nagle

1100 Build a Tech Community in Your Neighborhood, One Hackathon at a Time

William Hutson

1200 Top Ten: Democratic Open Source Software Defined Radio and Amateur Radio Applications That Matter Today

Steve Bossert

1300 Unearthing Air

Todd Whitney

1400 Design for Neurodiversity: Creating Neuro-Inclusive Spaces

Dorothy Howard

1500 Invisible Ink of Compression

XlogicX

1600 The Free Software Movement: Where It Came From, What It Means to Me, and What It Could Mean to You

Craig Topham

1700 Piracy Is the Past, Present, and Future of Streaming

Abigail De Kosnik, Benjamin De Kosnik

1800 Cracking Enigma: A Chronology of Cryptographic Breakthroughs

Brais Macknik-Conde

1900 Hacking for Social Justice

Danacea Vo

2000 Communication and Movement in Internet Shutdown Protests: Rethinking Mesh Messaging

Cora Rowena Ruiz

2100 Expanding the BioArtBot Color Palette - A Beginner's guide to Lab Automation and Biosafety

Danny Chan

SUNDAY, AUGUST 17

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1000 Bureaucracy Hacking - Creating Organizational Exploit Chains for Good

Adam L. Hesch

1100 Hacking the Future at Tesla Science Center

Michael Caprio, Jeffrey Velez, Ed Wilson

1200 Counter-Surveillance as Activism: Using Cameras Against State Violence in Israel/Palestine

Aman Abhishek

1300 The Computer Underground Scene - Past, Present, and Future

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1500 How to Be Positively Transgressive: Hacking Culture for Good

Johannes Grenzfurthner (monochrom)

1600 ICEBlock and the Age of Digital Activism

Joshua Aaron

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1800 HOPE_16 Closing Ceremonies

LITTLE THEATRE

1000 Quantum Computing and AppSec: Preparing for the Post-Quantum Threat

Sheshananda Reddy Kandula

1100 Print, Build, Fly, Heal: 3D-Printed Autonomous Planes for Medical Delivery in Rural Mexico

Dana Gretton, Jaguar Kristeller

1200 Bitcoin Poker: Satoshi's Lost Game and Its Decentralized Revival

Mattias Bergstrom

1300 New Journalism: Reimagining Information Networks From the Ground Up

Patrick Boehler

1400 NymVPN: The First Real-World Decentralized Noise-Generating Mixnet for Anonymity

Harry Halpin

1500 The ARTS Open Framework

Sabar Dasgupta

1600 The Political and AI Singularity Are Inevitable - Or Are They?

Roel Schouwenberg

1700 AI Is Undermining Our Privacy. What Can We Do About It?

Robert Stribley

TOBIN

1000 RDP Spray and Pray: Research on Modern RDP Attacks From Spray to Exploit

Tess Mishoe

1100 The Trials and Tribulations of Building Your Own Phone

Wesley Appler (aka lamemakes)

1200 The Shape of the Legal Battlefield for InfoSec Professionals at Work

Ken Veda

1300 ATM Hacking: Past and Present

Roman Pushkin

1400 Exploiting Emergent Property-Based Vulnerabilities in Large Language Models

David Kuszmar

1500 How I Used and Abused LLMs to Get Top 250 on HTB

Rambo Anderson-You

1600 Planning a Project That Has No Budget

Travis Southard

1700 The Struggle for Connection in a Fragmented World: Rebuilding Third Spaces

Jack Gangi