

# IIA

# NEW ORLEANS

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## WELCOME TO OUR CHAPTER

We're excited to close out the 2022-2023 chapter year and kick off the new year in June! This is the fourth edition of our quarterly newsletter with the goal to engage our members and keep you up-to-date on what is happening in the local area.



# President's Letter

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Dear IIA New Orleans,

I have had the privilege of serving your chapter the past three years, with the most recent being as chapter president. It has been exciting and a lot of hard work, but I have truly enjoyed my time serving you and feel fortunate to have had this opportunity.

This past year, I have helped lead our chapter to achieve our annual goals and accomplish new initiatives. The new initiatives included on campus outreach to local university students, setting up *Meaningful Connections* to help members meet each other, hosting an in person seminar, starting a quarterly newsletter, and enhancing our social media presence.



Sarah Curry  
IT Audit Manager, Amgen  
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All of this would not have been possible without our amazing volunteer officers and Board of Governors. I am proud of everything we have accomplished together and look forward to our chapter's future! As I pass the torch to Katey Carriere, I can confidently say that you will be in good hands. Through her leadership, IIA New Orleans will have a bright future within the community.

Though my term as president is ending, I plan to continue my service to the IIA by volunteering as the District Representative for Southeast District 1. Who knew meeting a group of enthusiastic internal auditors at a social four years ago would lead to a fulfilling volunteer role and lifelong friendships!

Lastly, I want to encourage each of you to get involved in any way that you can. Participate in chapter events, give us your feedback, or take the next step and volunteer. Getting involved with the chapter is a fantastic way to build leadership skills as well as make connections locally and nationally.

Thanks for your time and support over the years, and for years to come!

All the best,  
Sarah

# 2022 - 2023 OFFICERS AND BOARD OF GOVERNORS



## Chapter Officers:

### **President**

Sarah Curry, Amgen

### **First Vice President**

Katey Carriere, Synchrony Financial

### **Second Vice President**

Chelsea Bragg, CVS Health

### **Treasurer**

Erica Smith, Jefferson Parish OIG

### **Secretary**

Ashley Raymond, b1BANK

### **Membership and Certification Officer**

Jessica Ryan, Hancock Whitney

### **Programming Officer**

Li Downing, Bourgeois Bennett

## Board of Governors

**William Bostick**, Xavier University of Louisiana

**Kelly Rollins**, Ochsner Health

**Kristen Tran**, Caesar's

**Angelle Granier**

**Celeste McDonald**, Postlethwaite & Netterville

**Eileen Pansano**, Port of New Orleans (Retired)

**Ellen Judlin**, Fidelity Bank

**Jim Schneider**, Personnel Consulting Group

**Emily McCleskey**, Fluor Federal Petroleum Operations, LLC

**Gretchen Kenning**, Hancock Whitney

**Matthew Nalls**, LaPorte

**Heather Lambert**, Entergy

Thank  
you!



# Chapter Updates



## CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS AND SPEAKERS

### Volunteers

We have open chapter volunteer positions if you're interested in becoming more involved. The IIA chapter is a great way to give back to the community, network with other local professionals, and develop leadership skills. Some available roles include:

- 2nd Vice President
- Programming Officer
- Communications/Newsletter Officer
- "Day in the Life" speakers for university student engagement
- Annual revenue and expense auditor

Contact the chapter [here](#) for more information.

### Speakers

If you are interested in presenting in person at a luncheon, seminar, or virtually on a webinar, contact the chapter [here](#) for more information.

## REMINDERS



The [IIA Certification Registry](#) is voluntary and open for all certified members to show the achievement of IIA certification



May is Internal Audit Awareness Month! Celebrate with 20% off any CIA or CRMA application or registration fees. Use code **May20%** through May 31.

## IIA HQ EVENTS: FREE MEMBERS-ONLY WEBINARS

### May 31

**Webinar:** ChatGPT and Generative AI - Risks and Ethical Concerns | 11:30am CT

[Register here](#)

### June 27

**Webinar:** ESG Risk and Compliance Management: Current and Future Trends | 2pm CT

[Register here](#)

### July 25 and 26

**Webinar:** Detecting, Mitigating and Responding to Global Ransomware Attacks | 2pm CT (July 25th) or 8am CT (July 26th)

[Register here](#)

## IIA HQ EVENTS: SEMINARS AND CONFERENCES

### June 2023

**Conference:** 2023 Public Sector Virtual Conference: Navigating Today's Risks and Opportunities | Virtual

[Register here](#)

### July 2023

**Conference:** 2023 International Conference | Amsterdam

[Register here](#)

### August 2023

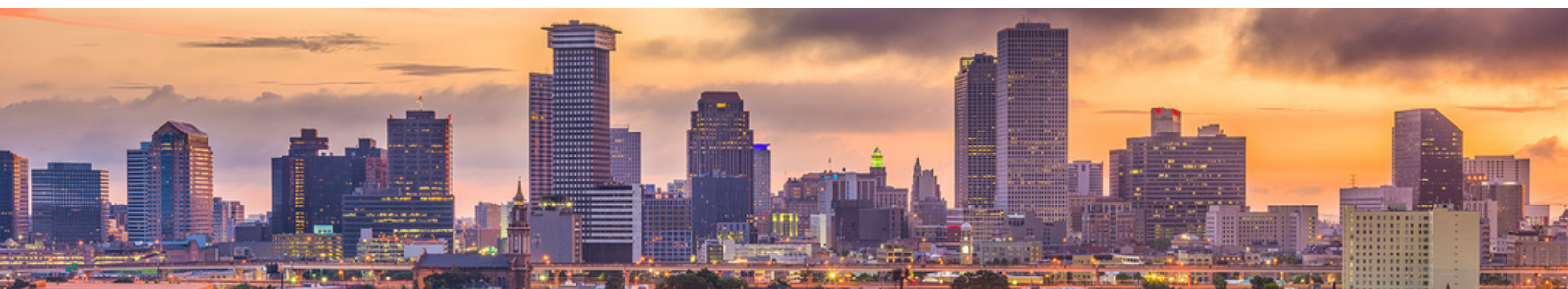
**Conference:** 2023 GRC Conference | Las Vegas, NV & Hybrid

[Register here](#)

### Ongoing

**eSeminars:** Various eSeminars available through IIA HQ

[Listings and Registration](#)



# Membership and Certifications

The IIA New Orleans Chapter would like to recognize and thank all of our members celebrating an IIA anniversary in Q2 2023!

## 1-5 Years

Amy Woodard  
Rebecca Foltz  
Amber Brondum  
Avery Ferrara  
Janae Smith  
Matthew Dupre  
Christine Ouder  
Kristen Landeche  
Kayla Mumphery

Elizabeth Roussel  
Ethan Peeler  
Tara Flint  
Josh Eugene  
Timothy Chastain  
Heather Lambert  
Jill Allison  
Robert West

## 6-10 Years

Christopher Brierre  
Jay Treuting  
Jeremy Grantham  
Dwain Johnston  
Clarise Gilmore  
Jonathan Drone  
Gretchen Kenning  
Elizabeth Cross

## 11-15 Years

Alicia Cagle  
Angela Brandenburg  
Cody Babin  
Lisa Newton  
Kostas Plakidas  
Brad Bourgeois

## 16+ Years

Rachell Ghebreyesus  
Martin Kenney  
Michelle Huck  
Mike Volpi  
Patricia Levie  
Jeffrey Entwisle  
Jeffrey Traylor  
Tracey Turner  
Jennifer Tolar  
Randy Duke  
Roy Dudenhefer  
Mary Saporito

## 217 Current Members



Congratulations to our newly certified Certified Internal Auditor (CIA) members (June 1, 2022 - May 31, 2023)!

Sarah Curry  
Christopher Gionet



Click [here](#) to learn more and apply to become a CIA!

# Summary of Chapter CPE Events

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August 2022: Lessons From an \$8.5 Million Fraud (Virtual)

September 2022: Rethinking Internal Audit (Virtual Seminar)

October 2022: Technology Update (In-Person Luncheon)

November 2022: Shades of Ethics: Setting the Thermostat  
(Virtual)

December 2022: Cybercrime (In-Person Luncheon)

January 2023: Value of Internal Audit – Why Most KPIs Drive  
Internal Audit in the Wrong Direction (Virtual)

February 2023: Managing the Windfall: Tracking the City of  
New Orleans' Use of Federal Pandemic Relief Funds (Virtual)

March 2023: The Importance of Identity Security  
Modernization (In-Person Luncheon)  
*Co-hosted with ISC2 Central Gulf Coast*

May 2023: Jazz Up Internal Audit  
*Co-hosted with IIA Baton Rouge*

In total, IIA New Orleans offered **18 hours of CPE** during the 2022-2023 Chapter Year!

# Chapter Pictures

2023 IIA Leadership Academy - Orlando, FL



[Chapter35@theiia.org](mailto:Chapter35@theiia.org)

# Chapter Pictures

## Jazz Up Internal Audit Seminar - May 5, 2023





# Local Job Openings



## Sewerage & Water Board

Multiple: Internal Auditor,  
Senior Internal Auditor,  
Internal Audit Supervisor  
Location: New Orleans, LA  
[Apply Here](#)



## Synergy Bank

Internal Auditor  
Location: Houma, LA  
[Apply Here](#)



## Xavier University of Louisiana

Internal Auditor  
Location: New Orleans, LA  
[Apply Here](#)



## Jefferson Parish Office of the Inspector General

Entry-Level Auditor/Evaluator  
Location: Jefferson, LA  
Email [employment@jpoig.net](mailto:employment@jpoig.net)  
[More Information Here](#)



## CAESARS ENTERTAINMENT.

### Caesars

Staff Auditor  
Location: New Orleans, LA  
[Apply Here](#)



## LSU - Health Sciences Center

Staff Auditor 1 or 2  
Location: New Orleans, LA  
[Apply Here](#)

### REMINDER

Email job postings  
(including internships) to  
[chapter35@theiia.org](mailto:chapter35@theiia.org)  
for free advertising!

# Sponsorships & Volunteers

IIA New Orleans appreciates the support it receives from local organization sponsorships:



Interested in becoming a sponsor or volunteer?

Please email us directly: [Chapter35@theiia.org](mailto:Chapter35@theiia.org)

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