# **Audit Trails**



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## Free Member Webinars

4/8/2025

How to Build a Business Case for Internal Audit and Risk Management Software

5/8/2025

Maximize Your Expertise: Leveraging IIA Resources to Navigate Current Challenges

## **Audit Job Openings**

MidFirst Bank – Internal Auditor

If you have any jobs you would like posted in the newsletter, please let one of the chapter officers know and we can have these posted for you!

We are now accepting applications for the Treasurer position for the 2025/2026 chapter year. We invite anyone interested to email Cory about volunteering for this position. (chapter36president@iiachaptercommunications.org)

## Welcome New IIA OKC Members

Please give a warm welcome to the following members who are new to our chapter:

Maegan Bishop

Gene Fogh

Sophie Mason

Josh Nickell

Shahnaz Parekh

Jonathon Ramirez

## **Newly Certified Members**

Please give a congratulations to the following member who has become a CIA:

Marshall Clayton



## President's Message

**Greetings IIA OKC Chapter Members!** 

With the first quarter of the year now completed, it's a perfect time to refine our strategies, strengthen our professional networks, and enhance the impact of our industry and chapter. There is still ample opportunity to set and achieve high goals for yourself and your organization in 2025, and to learn from the lessons of Q1. Keep an eye out for our emails and monthly newsletter to stay updated on our exciting upcoming events and learning opportunities.

We are eagerly anticipating an upcoming event on April 24<sup>th</sup> with Ethan Garrett, Supervisor of IT Reporting for Diamondback Energy. He will present on "Bridging the Gap: Communicating Data Insights to Everyone." This presentation will delve into strategies for simplifying technical data for broader audiences, emphasize the importance of clear and concise communication in data presentations, and share best practices for engaging storytelling that resonates with non-technical stakeholders. Ethan is a tremendous communicator of practical information, so this is a CPE event you don't want to miss!

For the 2025/2026 chapter year, we are still welcoming volunteers to assist in various roles, including the position of Treasurer. Volunteering is a fantastic way to expand your professional network and contribute to our chapter, whether in a big or small capacity. If you're interested, please reach out to me or one of our officers.

Thanks,

**Cory Brown** 

President, IIA Oklahoma City Chapter 2024/2025

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## Current Chapter Event

## <u>Seminar – Bridging the Gap: Communicating Data</u> <u>Insights to Everyone</u>

Date: April 24, 2025 (Thursday)

Location: Bricktown Brewery – 1 N Oklahoma Ave, Oklahoma

City, OK 73104

Time: 11:30 - Doors Open

12:00 - 1:00 - Presentation

**Speaker:** Ethan Garret

### **Learning Objectives:**

• Explore strategies for simplifying technical data for broader audiences.

- Highlight the role of clear and concise communication in data presentations.
- Share best practices for engaging storytelling that resonates with non-technical stakeholders.

**Registration Link:** <a href="https://na.eventscloud.com/838227">https://na.eventscloud.com/838227</a> [na.eventscloud.com]

## **Past Chapter Events**

## **Upcoming Conferences**

2025 Analytics, Automation and AI Virtual Conference

April 24, 2025 | The premier event for internal auditors looking to upskill in analytics and automation to effectively manage risk, provide strategic oversight, enhance transparency, and become a trusted advisor on the best way to maximize artificial intelligence.

#### 2025 AuditSphere Virtual Conference

June 17, 2025 | AuditSphere provides smallfunction auditors with expert guidance to navigate unique challenges, rising expectations, and limited staff.

#### **2025 International Conference**

July 14 – 16, 2025 | Toronto, Canada & Virtually

The IIA's 2025 International Conference sets the stage in sharing new and forward-looking information and leading practices in pursuing excellence in internal audit. As internal auditors increasingly become trusted advisors and an integral part of their organizations, they are compelled to broaden their arsenal of skills. This conference will prepare audit professionals to embrace and learn new technologies and implement new tools and techniques to effectively respond to shifting business and risk landscapes.

Registration

