Welcome to NANOG 91
Kansas City, KS
9 - 12 JUNE 2024
Network Operators’ Groups
Come for the opportunities, stay for the community.
What is a NOG?

A NOG is a local Network Operators’ Group that is guided by the principle of an open exchange of knowledge and expertise.

• Organizations that support local and regional Internet professionals.

• Formed by network operators, engineers, and other experts in the Internet community.

• Make efforts to improve the quality and availability of the Internet within their regions.
How can you benefit from NOGs?

• Sharing current best practices from experienced industry professionals.
• Obtain knowledge and training on the latest hot tech.
• Discuss current challenges faced by the community.
• Form strategic business relationships and crucial peering arrangements.
What’s special about NOGs?

They are:

• **Neutral** — non-commercial, non-political, based on equality.

• **Educational** — technical presentations are freely available.

• **Community Driven** — individual contributors, not corporations.
What is NANOG?

• North American Network Operators’ Group (NANOG) was the first, and is still the largest, Network Operators’ Group.

• We are a community-driven nonprofit organization whose roots date back to 1987 when Merit Network was tasked with re-engineering and managing the National Science Foundation Network (NSFNET).

• Originally chartered in 1994 the NANOG community voted for independence from Merit Network in 2011 and became a standalone organization.
Our community

13,000+ industry professionals and students.

1,000+ attend NANOG conferences.

200+ are first-time attendees.

20+ countries around the world represented.
What does NANOG do?

- Empowering those supporting Internet access in underserved communities across North America.
- Mentoring the next generation of networking professionals through comprehensive conferences and targeted outreach activities.
- Actively encouraging diversity, inclusion, and collaboration within our community.
NANOG Governance

How NANOG is run
Board of Directors

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Executive Director

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NANOG Committees

- Program Committee (standing)
- Audit Committee
- Compensation Committee
- Diversity Equity and Inclusion Committee
- Education Committee
- Elections Committee
- Hackathon Committee
- Mentorship Committee
- Scholarship Committee
Program Committee
The "Heart" of the NANOG Experience
Program Committee (PC)

- PC nominated by the members and selected by the board.
  - Made up of industry professionals.
  - PC Chair is an ex-officio member of the NANOG Board of Directors.
- PC reviews and selects talks submitted by NANOG’s community to curate a program of the highest possible quality and relevance.
Program Committee Responsibilities

- Keynote Speakers: There are normally two chosen from industry luminaries
- Lightning Talks: Five to ten minute talks written on site and selected during the conference
- Tracks: Selecting and scheduling similar content in large blocks
- Tutorials: Well known speakers who will present on common interests on a recurring cycle
- All other presentation material during the conference
Additional Programs + Resources
Educational Program

• Vendor-neutral courses developed and taught by knowledgeable Internet professionals.
• Courses are vetted by a committee of industry professionals to assure content is relevant to current industry standards.
• Courses are designed to help students and career professionals advance their skills in a competitive marketplace.
Mentorship Program

• Mentorship is an essential component of professional development.

• Mentees in our program have the opportunity to be guided by seasoned industry professionals.

• Mentors and mentees are paired to create a personalized mentorship program to help the mentee achieve their goals.
Get involved on a broader scale

Participating on a broader scale helps ensure our future generations will get to enjoy the same benefits you have.

Ways to get involved at NANOG:

- **Vote**: Become a member to help shape NANOG’s future.
- **Mentor**: The next generation of network engineers.
- **Present**: Share your knowledge and experience with others.
- **Volunteer**: Serve on a committee to help shape NANOG.
- **Sponsor**: Support NANOG’s education and outreach programs, meetings and events.
NANOG Ombuds

Confidential support for our community

ombuds@nanog.org
NANOG + Industry Resources

• NANOG Mailing List: https://mailman.nanog.org/mailman/listinfo/nanog
• Conference Presentations + Tutorials: https://www.youtube.com/user/TeamNANOG/
• Articles: https://www.nanog.org/stories/
• Additional Industry Resources: https://www.nanog.org/ select Community menu item
• Mentorship Information and Application Form: https://www.nanog.org/outreach/nanog-mentorship-program/ https://www.nanog.org/outreach/mentee-application-form/
• Join the community driven Discord beta [link expires 1 July 2024] https://discord.gg/KqubYuanmR
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How to make the most out of your time here
NANOG 91 Ombuds

Future Cain
CEO of Future of SEL

Justin Williams
Associate, Future of SEL
PROGRAM
General Session + Breakout Room

• NANOG 91 has 30 talks on various topics, presented in either the General Session (City Beautiful D/E) or the Breakout Room (City Beautiful B/C).

• Make sure to ❤ the talks you don’t want to miss and add them to your calendar.

• Floor plans to help you navigate are at the bottom of the NANOG 91 Agenda here: nanog.org/agenda
Get Social!

MONDAY
- Networking Lunch
- Peering Coordination Forum
- NANOG Social

TUESDAY
- Diversity, Equity, + Inclusion Lunch
- Networking Lunch
- Beer n’ Gear
- Sponsored Social *

WEDNESDAY
- Two hour lunch block - get a meal and network with new contacts you made this week
NANOG 91 Surveys

• Online Surveys
  
  • [https://www.nanog.org/surveys](https://www.nanog.org/surveys)
    
    • Daily Survey available for Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday
      Complete the daily survey each day to enter the drawing for a
      $100 gift card.

• Surveys close Friday, 14 June 2024
Thank you
We hope you’ll join us in building the Internet of tomorrow.