

What do they think  
they are doing?

When Security meets  
Usability...

# Do you use Webmail?



Do you use E-Mail for  
private stuff?

Do you use Social  
Networking sites?

Have you ever  
downloaded your  
address book to a  
Social Networking  
site?



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## Check your contacts and see who is LinkedIn

TIP ▶ Want to see [other ways](#) to find your contacts?

### 1 Select your email provider



**YAHOO!**



**Gmail**



**America Online**



**Hotmail**

### 2 Login to your Webmail

Username:

@yahoo.com

Password:

Submit



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F http://www.flixster.com/inviteDisplay.do?displayInvite=

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Movies, actors, directors **SEARCH**

### Connect with Friends

The whole point of Flixster is to share movie ratings with friends. See which of your friends may already be on Flixster.

(Of course, you don't have to invite any friends, but don't blame us if you get bored and lonely.)

**Which address book would you like to check? You will be able to choose which friends to invite on the following pages.**



Select >



[testflixster@mail.yahoo.com](mailto:testflixster@mail.yahoo.com)

Select >



Select >



Select >

---- OR ----

**Copy and paste the text below into an email. Send the email to friends to invite them.**

Hi,

I just took a movie quiz at Flixster.com. If you come take it too we can see if we like the same movies.

<http://www.flixster.com/servlet/invite/693013361wnjABCm>

Test

[Or click here and we can send the emails for you.](#)

F http://www.flixster.com/inviteDisplay.do?displayContactLogin=&type=Yahoo

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Stop watching bad movies. +Add Friends

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**Yahoo Email Address:** testflixster@mail.yahoo.com

**Yahoo Password:**

[Continue >](#)

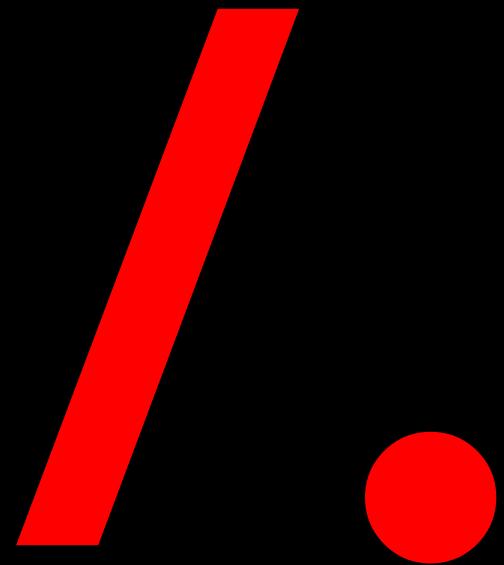


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unexpected  
invitations



<slashdot>

**Spamming in  
plain sight!**

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**Phishing in  
plain sight!**

“But hey, it's  
common practice!”

https://www.linkedin.com/secure/uploadContacts?displayWebMail=&trk=inv\_webmail#js

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**It's all about trust.**

It's about what  
people think is  
happening.

“Digital identity systems must be designed so the disclosure of identifying information is limited to parties having a **necessary and justifiable** place in a given identity relationship.”

(Kim Cameron, The Laws Of Identity)

“Nor were users clamoring for a single Microsoft identity service to be aware of all their Internet activities. As a result, Passport failed in its mission of being an identity system for the Internet.”

(Kim Cameron, *The Laws Of Identity*)

Flixster and  
LinkedIn?

**justifiable!**

engineer user trust

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<concern>

Will Flixster store my  
credentials?

</concern>

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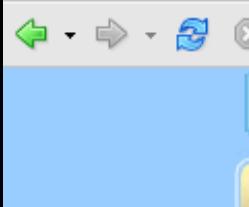
**Yahoo Password:**

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# http://

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### Demande de Carte

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[Demande d'adhésion à Membership Rewards®](#)

Par mesure de sécurité, aucune des données que vous introduirez dans ces formulaires ne sera transmise sur Internet.

## Demandez la Carte Personnelle

Besoin d'aide pour remplir votre formulaire?  
0800-99 316 - Belgique  
00 32 800 99 316 -

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 [Suivant](#)

### Renseignements personnels

Titre:

M.  Mme

Nom:

Prénom:

Adresse:

N° / Boîte:

Code Postal:

Localité:

Adresse e-mail:

Téléphone privé:

Date de naissance:

Etat Civil:

Célibataire  Marié(e)  Cohabitant

Divorcé(e)  Veuf/Veuve

Propriétaire  Locataire

(mois/année)

(mois/année)

(par mesure de sécurité)

Nombre de personnes à charge:

Habitation:

Depuis :

Nom agence bancaire:

Depuis (approximativement):

Adresse:

N° de compte personnel:

Prénom de votre mère:

<concern>

That's a lot of financial  
information. Do I trust  
the Internet with it?

</concern>

“For security reasons,  
the information you  
enter into this Web  
form will never be  
transmitted over the  
Internet.”

http://

users trust content

reputable sites teach

even if the content is  
**implausible**

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transmitted over the  
Internet.”

<idea>

can content be an  
indicator?

**personalize** your  
bank's appearance!



<teaching>

“If it's **your** photo,  
then it's **safe** to  
enter your  
**password!**”

**WRONG**

Schechter, Dhamija,  
Ozment, Fischer  
(2007): *The Emperor's  
New Security  
Indicators*

reputable sites teach

disregard other  
indicators

users trust content

“The photo server  
will be back up  
shortly. We're sorry  
for the  
inconvenience.”

attack successful

<Browsers>

Downs, Holbrook,  
Cranor (2006):  
*Decision Strategies  
and Susceptibility to  
Phishing*

mental models  
meet  
security indicators

“Huh, I'm really not  
certain, but I'm  
intrigued by it.”

“Well, I mean, I'm figuring like, based off what it seemed like an encrypted page kind of, I don't know, like walks out or crypts into the circle so that it can't be read.”

<wisdom>

### Web Site Certified by an Unknown Authority



Unable to verify the identity of people.w3.org as a trusted site.

Possible reasons for this error:

- Your browser does not recognize the Certificate Authority that issued the site's certificate.
- The site's certificate is incomplete due to a server misconfiguration.
- You are connected to a site pretending to be people.w3.org, possibly to obtain your confidential information.

Please notify the site's webmaster about this problem.

Before accepting this certificate, you should examine this site's certificate carefully. Are you willing to accept this certificate for the purpose of identifying the web site people.w3.org?

[Examine Certificate...](#)

- Accept this certificate permanently
- Accept this certificate temporarily for this session
- Do not accept this certificate and do not connect to this web site



[Help](#)



[Cancel](#)



[OK](#)

<speculation>

“Possible Reasons for  
this Error”

</speculation>

<jargon>

Certification

Authority ...

Certificate

</jargon>

<jargon>

server

misconfiguration

</jargon>

<oops>

there might be an  
attack, and it is  
possibly malicious

</oops>

(This dialogue might  
be the last line of  
defense against an  
attack.)

**<impossible>**

Please contact the  
site's webmaster

**</impossible>**

**<impossible>**

you should examine  
this certificate  
carefully

**</impossible>**

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[OK](#)

## Certificate Viewer:"people.w3.org"

General Details

**Could not verify this certificate because the issuer is unknown.**

### Issued To

Common Name (CN) people.w3.org  
Organization (O) <Not Part Of Certificate>  
Organizational Unit (OU) <Not Part Of Certificate>  
Serial Number 01:E3:F6

### Issued By

Common Name (CN) CA Cert Signing Authority  
Organization (O) Root CA  
Organizational Unit (OU) http://www.cacert.org

### Validity

Issued On 05/02/06  
Expires On 04/08/06

### Fingerprints

SHA1 Fingerprint F1:A2:7D:F4:90:5D:DE:06:F8:18:71:47:5E:9B:53:BD:3D:67:7F:70  
MD5 Fingerprint CD:5F:EF:4D:ED:BC:0D:30:1B:21:70:55:39:2A:BB:E7

Help

Close

“Could not verify this  
certificate because  
the issuer is  
unknown.”

“Issued By”

Downs, Holbrook,  
Cranor (2006):  
*Decision Strategies  
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“Basically that it’s kind of like the **elevator certificate**. For whatever reason, they don’t have it. But at that point sometimes when you go into the elevators you can see if their certificate is up to date or if it’s not current. And that’s kind of what that meant for me.”

**Elevator Certificate:** The writing on the wall that you read while your elevator is in free fall.

users trust content

useless security  
indicators teach

disregard advice

<attack>



You have attempted to establish a connection with "northwestairlines.112.207.net".

However, the security certificate presented belongs to "\*.concoursecommunications.com". It is **possible, though unlikely**, that someone may be trying to intercept your communication with this web site.

“possible, though  
unlikely”

**WRONG**

If you suspect the certificate  
shown does not belong to  
“northwestairlines.112.2o7.net”,  
please cancel the connection and  
notify the site administrator.

good advice!

**WRONG**

In this case:  
“attacked” by a  
hotspot

“legitimate” attack

“legitimate” attacks  
teach

users trust content

disregard advice

but they shouldn't  
need to

there is often good  
information available

there is often good  
advice to be given

<<http://www.w3.org/2006/WSC/>>

# Web Security Context Working Group

What can we tell  
users to help them  
make the right  
decisions?

how?

hard problems

**security usability:**  
much research to be  
done

What decisions should  
users make at all?

What decisions should  
we keep away from  
them?

web user agents are  
infrastructure

Whose Web do we  
change?

Whose Web might we  
**break?**

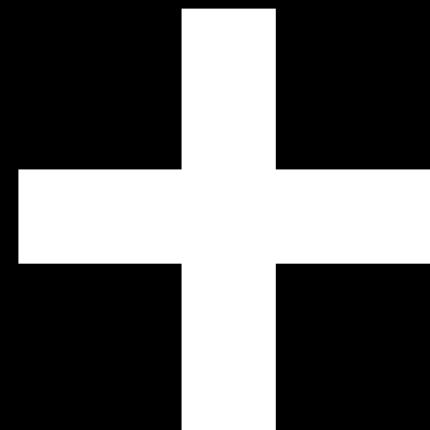
<future>

platform

# applications

local

(Widgets)



remote

(mash-ups)

**ubiquitous**

scan

print

find your kids

open your safe

turn off the fridge

divorce

The Google logo is displayed in its signature multi-colored, slightly rounded, and italicized font. The letters are arranged horizontally: 'G' is blue, 'o' is red, 'o' is yellow, 'g' is blue, 'l' is green, and 'e' is red. A small 'TM' symbol is located at the top right of the 'e'. The logo has a soft shadow effect.

<security>

**RESTRICT!**

</security>

been there  
done that

e.g.,

same-origin policy

so  
Flixster won't get at  
your Webmail!

but Flixster got the  
**password!**

technical defense

attack the human!

people want  
convenience

# features

the unexpected

and they'll get it!

help, don't hinder

usability  
mental models  
metaphors  
indicators  
best practice

enable flexibility

author

explain

exchange

read

use

# strategies

policies

<<http://www.w3.org/TR/access-control/>>

punching holes into  
the sandbox

**allow https://\*.w3.org**

read the address  
book

**not** the inbox

**first steps!**

<challenges>

If TLS confuses  
people, what will  
policies do to them?

How do we give  
flexibility to users?

What does all this  
really mean to users?



Thomas Roessler  
**tlr@w3.org**