

Our next meeting is:

February 2nd, 2016 — Tuesday
at Creative Source (location details below)

6:30 PM — Socializing, news and announcements
7:00 PM — Presentations begin

This month's topic:

PREVENTING DISASTERS

How to avert problems and keep your Mac running smoothly by using good techniques and free apps, and what to do when apps do crash to be presented by **Rob Ellis**



With a bit of luck, your Macintosh will likely be immune to the risks of floods, severe droughts, earthquakes, hurricanes, the melting of the polar ice caps, and, one hopes, a safe falling on it. Of course, no matter how stable the hardware or software, mishaps do occasionally happen, including baffling quirks and app crashes, but despite mini-catastrophes that appear to leave your Mac in a mire of virtual smoke and rubble, there is no need to pull the plug. On Tuesday, Rob will show how to recover gracefully from application failures, freezes and system crashes, and how to keep your Mac healthy via several free apps and some solid advice. Knowing how to make your hardware last longer, how to prevent crashes when possible, and how to avoid problems such as cluttered memory and even overheating, can lead to a problem-free Mac. You will feel better and your Mac will bloom, notwithstanding the possibility of a piano falling from the sky.

Also,

BACK TO MAC BASICS

In this segment, we focus on more fundamental skills, to make life a little easier for those who are trying to learn how to use their Macs. This month:

HOW TO OPEN NON-APP STORE APPS
to be presented by **Tom Davis**

If you have ever tried to open an app that did not come from the Mac App Store, only to have been faced with an error message, we have good news. On Tuesday, Tom will show the simple solution to safely bypass the blocking of apps from sites other than the Mac App Store.

About the weather:

In these winter months, if the weather is particularly bad or road conditions are unsafe on the day of one of our monthly meetings, please try to check your email before you leave for the meeting. If a meeting is ever cancelled or postponed due to weather, we will send an emergency email to let you know.

OUR MEETING LOCATION:

*Creative Source
4623 Everhard Rd NW
Canton, OH 44718
330-497-5556*

DIRECTIONS:

Creative Source is located in the Belden Village area, in the small plaza at the intersection of Belden Village Street and Everhard Road. Within the plaza, it is to the right of PetPeople.

For a map, along with options to get directions from anywhere, [please click here](#)

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<http://www.mac2mug.org>

"The sky is failing! The sky is failing!" Or so claimed Chicken Little. Not that we have any wish to contradict such a trustworthy individual, but please join us on Tuesday to hear our personal assurances that the sky is not, in fact, falling, and to learn how to keep your Mac in tip-top shape. And please feel free to bring a friend. See you there!

— Rob Ellis

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