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## A.I.: DAEDALUS AND ICARUS



Saturday, February 24, 2024 from 2:00 – 4:00 pm (PT)

In-person and Webcast\*

Concord House, 1407 Chapala Street, Santa Barbara, CA

Presenters: Russ Lewin and Aidan Colbert

The powerful potentials of Artificial Intelligence (A.I.) might be compared to the ancient Greek myth of Daedalus and Icarus. In order to escape the labyrinth of Crete, Daedalus constructed wings made of threads and feathers molded into beeswax. Daedalus warns Icarus of the dangers of flying too low, or too high, and risking the wings being clogged by the sea's dampness, or the sun's heat melting the wax. We need to gain a deeper understanding of these new technological 'wings' that have the potential to lift humanity to new heights if used wisely. We will discuss how A.I. works. This will include the possible benefits and dangers. There will also be a *live demonstration* of how individuals can use this powerful tool today. There will be time for discussion after the presentations.

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