

Ohio GIS Conference **Student Map Gallery**

September 19-21, 2012

Rules and Guidelines

Rules

- **Each participant will be limited to one map entry.** If you have additional maps, you may submit them but only the first map received from you will be judged. Subsequent maps will be displayed as space allows but will not be judged. If you are entering a map series, this counts as one map entry as long as the size requirements are met.
- **PDF versions of all maps must be submitted with the entry form.** This will allow for preliminary judging, while final judging will occur at the conference. Images will be used during the awards presentations and will be posted on the OGRIP website (with permission). Maximum file size for the PDF is **10 MB**. PDF will not be used for print production so high resolution is not necessary.
- **PDF and Entry form** must be received by **3:00 p.m. Wednesday, September 5th, 2012** in order for your map(s) to be displayed and judged. Please see instructions on entry form.
- **All map entry submitters must be a paid conference attendee** and be registered as a student for the conference.
- **All map entrants shall sign-in as a registered **Student** attendee by 12 p.m. on Thursday, September 20th.** A sign-in sheet will be posted in the Map Gallery. We will cross reference with the conference student attendee list.
- You may enter a single map or a series of maps. All sizes are encouraged. However, due to space limitations, the maximum space allotted per entry is 44"H x 46"W. If you feel your map requires special accommodations, please contact a committee member to make arrangements.
- **Please note that this is a Map Gallery, not a display of posters or promotional materials. Although overall map layouts can contain text, photos, tables, charts and other graphics, the map should be the primary focus. The purpose of the map should be apparent without reading excessive amounts of text. Posters featuring GIS web applications are not considered a map. GIS web applications can be submitted in the new Interactive Map Gallery.**
- **Maps will be hung by each map entrant between 3 p.m. Wednesday September 19th and 10 a.m. Thursday September 20th.** The map gallery will assign you a number after you register online. You will place your map in the designated spot with coordinating number by the **10 a.m. deadline.**
- Any maps arriving **AFTER 10 a.m.** on **September 20th, 2012** may be displayed in the Gallery for viewing only, but they will **NOT** be judged nor be eligible for the People's Choice award.
- Map Gallery Committee has final say about eligibility of maps considered for competition and adherence to these rules.

Guidelines

- Both color and black-and-white maps are encouraged.
- If left behind at the conference, maps will become the property of the Map Gallery Committee and will not be returned. These maps may be donated to other organizations such as GIS Day events, Caching Our World, etc.
- Please note, by completing an Entry Form for the Map Gallery, you are not registering for the Ohio GIS Conference. **You will need to register for the conference separately.**
- By displaying your map at the conference, you earn Contribution point(s) toward your GISP (re)certification.
- Your maps will be displayed and judged according to the following categories:

Category	Definition	Examples
General Reference	Displays the location of a geographic feature(s) or jurisdiction(s)	County Highway map, trails map, utilities map, natural resources, etc.
Communicative	Communicates data that is not inherently geographic (displaying data)	Income, population density, municipal zoning, traffic accidents, etc.
Analytical	Exhibits problem solving, analyzing data or shows a trend (interpreting data)	Future plans, comparisons, survey results, study results, etc.

- If you are unsure into which category your map should be entered, please contact a Map Gallery Committee member.
- Maps in all categories will be judged on their presentation of concept and purpose, technical merit (elements, principles and techniques) and overall design (appeal, artistry and composition).
- If there are a large number of entries in a category, maps in that category may be divided into small- and large-format for judging.
- There will be an award for each category, for the Best of Show (highest overall score), and for People's Choice (conference attendee votes).
- If there is not enough maps to fill all 3 categories, all maps will be grouped into one General Map category.
- ***Because of time constraints at the conference, ribbons only may be presented to the winners. If time permits, we may present your certificate at the conference. If not, your certificates will be emailed to you post-conference.***

For questions, contact the Map Gallery Committee via OhioMapGallery@yahoo.com.