

Ohio GIS Conference *Digital Map Gallery*

September 28th – 30th, 2016



Rules and Guidelines



Maps, Apps and Bridging Gaps

- **Each participant will be limited to one digital map entry.** If you have additional digital 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.
- **Uniform Resource Locators (URL, World Wide Web address) must be submitted with the entry form for the digital map.** This will allow for preliminary judging. Images will be used during the awards presentations and will be posted on the OGRIP website (with permission). Digital maps will not be made available for People's Choice Awards and will only be judged by the panel.
- **Entry form** must be received by **Midnight Monday, September 19th, 2016** in order for your digital map to be judged. Please see instructions on entry form.
- Digital maps may have multiple authors/developers but **at least one must be a paid conference attendee.**
- **All map entrants shall sign-in as a registered attendee by 10 a.m. on Thursday, September 29th. A sign-in sheet will be posted in the Map Gallery.**
- Authors/developers named on the entry form will be eligible for an award.
- Please note that this is a **Digital Map** Gallery competition, not intended for promotional materials. Digital maps may include ArcGIS Online maps, Story maps or any other Digital map. A link to a static PDF of a paper map is not a digital map.
- Map Gallery Committee has final say about eligibility of interactive maps considered for competition and adherence to these rules.

Guidelines

This competition is designed to recognize excellence in blending digital map cartography and web programming. Maps that communicate a story or message and offer tools that utilize unique and different opportunities for geo-visualization are encouraged.

- Conference attendees are encouraged to submit digital maps made in the course of their daily jobs.
- Group projects are accepted but may not include more than 4 contributors in the project.
- Cartographic work must be the original work of the entrant. The use of third party applications and technology is permitted with appropriate citation.
- URLs and digital maps must be publicly accessible.
- URLs and digital maps must be active between the dates from submission through the closing of the conference.

- By completing an Entry Form for the Digital Map Gallery, you are not registering for the Ohio GIS Conference. **You will need to register for the conference separately.**
- By submitting your Digital map in the conference competition, you earn Contribution point(s) toward your GISP (re)certification.
- Digital Maps will be judged on the following criteria:
 - CONCEPT AND ORIGINALITY: This criterion considers how innovative the map is. How much of the work is borrowed from the work of others? Are there many maps just like it?
 - CARTOGRAPHIC DESIGN: This criterion considers artistic merit, cartographic presentation, clarity of communication, and the quality of graphic composition.
 - INTERFACE DESIGN: This criterion assesses the design and functionality of the Graphical User Interface (GUI), and how well it works for the intended audience.
 - RELIABILITY/COMPATABILITY: This criterion considers the reliability and compatibility of the map for its intended platform (e.g. mobile device).

Judging Standards

- Initial judging typically occurs just after the entry is received. Final judging of the best digital maps is done during the week of the Conference.
- The winners will be announced at the conference luncheon banquet, including screenshots depicting the prize-worthy maps.
- ***Because of time constraints at the conference, ribbons only may be presented to the winners. Your certificates will be emailed to you post-conference if this is necessary.***

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