

2018 ILGISA Map Competition



The Illinois GIS Association (ILGISA) is calling upon the membership, GIS students and practitioners throughout the state to take advantage of this year's map competition.

This year, there will be 2 categories in our annual Map Competition. The "traditional" map category will call upon your cartographic skills to create a map that portrays any topic in an interesting fashion, while the web map category will test your application creation skills. Compete in 1 or both categories.

Competition Details

- Traditional Map Category
 - Produce 1 high quality map
 - Topic/theme is open
 - Use your best original idea, innovative solutions, and analytical skills
 - No data is being provided. Participants are responsible for gathering their own data.
- Web Mapping Application Category
 - Create 1 web mapping application
 - Topic/theme is open
 - Application must be publicly accessible

Enter and Get Started

To enter, email the ILGISA executive director at contact@ilgisa.org with your name, address, phone number and organization or school using the subject line: **2018 ILGISA Map Competition**

Indicate the category (or categories) in which you will compete. You may choose either category or both categories

Submission Requirements

All entries must be emailed to the Executive Director by **Wednesday, August 1st, 2018**.

Submissions for the traditional map category shall include a 24 x 36 inch PDF map and a brief report (1 page) containing:

1. Executive Summary - Brief Abstract (1 paragraph)
2. Methodology - Description of any Analysis Techniques and Considered Factors
3. Results

Entries will be ranked with a 1 through 5 in the following categories.

- Cartographic Quality
- Analytical Techniques (if applicable)
- Overall Clarity
- Impact

Submissions for the web mapping application category shall include:

1. Executive Summary - Brief Abstract (1 paragraph)
2. Screen shot of the application (8.5" x 11" page)
3. Application URL

Entries will be ranked with a 1 through 5 in the following categories.

- Concept and Originality
- Cartographic Design
- Interface Design
- Impact

All entries will be posted on the ILGISA website.

The top 5 submissions from the each category will be on display in the Vendor Hall at the 2018 Conference.

** It is requested that the participants be available during the Vendor Reception at the 2018 Conference to answer questions about their entries.

**It is requested that the top three finalists from each category give a 20 minute presentation at the 2018 Conference explaining their entries.

Student and professional entries will be scored separately.

Participant Awards

- Winner (student and professional) from each category (traditional map and web map) to receive a \$50 gift card (4 total)
- Top three (3) finalists from each category to receive a certificate of achievement (12 total)
- Top three (3) individual **student** finalists from each category to receive a free ILGISA conference registration (*days 2 and 3*) - if willing to present at conference (6 total)
- Each individual **student** entry, from each category, to receive a one year complimentary ILGISA student membership

Disclaimer

All contest entries (in the traditional map category) become the property of the Illinois GIS Association and can be used for ILGISA purposes in publications, on the website, and marketing material royalty free.