2021 STUDENT MAPPING COMPETITIONS

The Canadian Cartographic Association (CCA) would like to draw your attention to our annual student mapping competitions.

THE PRESIDENT’S PRIZE

The CCA President’s Prize recognizes excellence in student map design and production and is open to all students at Canadian post-secondary institutions who have completed and produced a cartographic project in the preceding school year. The President’s Prize Competition will consist of two prizes of $250, one for entries from college-level or CEGEP students, and one for entries from university-level students in the thematic map category:

A thematic map is a map that is meant to communicate a specific subject matter within a particular geographic area. They are often defined as special purpose maps and can be either quantitative or qualitative in nature. The International Cartographic Association (ICA) defines the thematic map this way: “A map designed to demonstrate particular features or concepts. In conventional use this term excludes topographic maps” (Dent 1999, 8).

THE CARTO-QUEBEC PRIZE

The Carto-Quebec Prize is a special annual competition for the best student-authored cartographic product in French. The award has been established through a gift from the former Association Carto-Québec to promote and recognize excellence in map design. The competition is open to all post-secondary students in Canada who have completed and produced a cartographic project in the preceding school year. The Carto-Quebec Prize will consist of two awards of $500, one for entries from college-level or CEGEP students, and one for entries from university-level students.

Entry Guidelines

There are no restrictions on size but the cartographic project must have been completed and produced during the school year preceding the competition. Cartographic projects will consist of a map or a map series forming a coherent whole (printed as a single map or a poster displaying several maps) and may be submitted in any finished form (on paper or other medium). The Carto-Quebec Prize entries must be in French. The President’s Prize entries must be thematic maps.

For both competitions, all students enrolled at a Canadian university or college, are eligible to submit their maps made in the 2019/2020 school year. Deadline for submission to the 2021 competition is May 14th, 2021.
WEB MAP AWARD

This award recognizes excellence in web mapping and is open to all post-secondary students who have completed and produced a web map in the preceding school year. The CCA Web Map Award Competition will consist of one prize of $250 entries from college-level, CEGEP students, or university-level students.

Submissions will be evaluated by a panel of three judges made up of CCA executives. Participants are asked to email their project URL to Ted MacKinnon <admin@canadiangis.com> by 11 p.m. on May, 14th, 2021.

Judges will be evaluating projects based on the following criteria:

**Map Story** - Does the web map tell a unique story with a specific purpose or client in mind?

**Cartographic Design** - Project showcases current cartographic web mapping practices with a balance of necessary data layers, high quality web-ready multimedia elements and presented in professional presentation.

**User Interactivity** - Aspects of user interactivity (popups, zoom control, layer control, user ability, etc.) are all fully functional for intended audience.

**Complexity** - Is the web map created using a proprietary application or using code and/or plugins? If coding is used, is it organized and commented.

**Package** - Overall package of the project: side panels, explanations, flow of information, data quality, multi-media, and proper sourcing will all be considered.

**Submission** - Please submit a link to the URL for the hosted web map. It is asked that the winning submission be online for one year.

The CCA looks forward to reviewing your web map creations and seeing your mapping stories in this cartographic format. Best of Luck.

Ted MacKinnon
President CCA
## 2021 STUDENT MAPPING COMPETITIONS ENTRY FORM

☐ President’s Prize ☐ Carto-Quebec Prize ☐ Web Map Award

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**POST SECONDARY CATEGORY**

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In a clear and concise manner in no more than one double spaced typed page, state the design objectives of your project and provide a rationale for your design choices. In order to be eligible, this form along with your design objectives (see above) must be submitted with submissions as well as a digital copy of your map (or link to your electronic map). Entries must be received no later than **May 14th, 2021**.

### CCA PRESIDENT’S PRIZE OR CARTO-QUEBEC PRIZE

Send this entry form, your design objectives and a high resolution digital copy of your map that the judges can print to Ted MacKinnon <admin@canadiangis.com>

### CCA WEB MAP AWARD

Send this entry form, your design objectives and URL for your map to Ted MacKinnon <admin@canadiangis.com>