

30th International Cartographic Conference and International Cartographic Exhibition

Florence, Italy, December 14-18, 2021

The [U.S. National Committee](#) (USNC) for the [International Cartographic Association](#) (ICA), a standing committee of the [Cartography and Geographic Information Society](#) (CaGIS), acts as the liaison between ICA and CaGIS, as well as the larger the U.S. cartographic community. The USNC is pleased to announce the following activities in support of the 30th [International Cartographic Conference](#) (ICC), the biennial conference of the ICA, which will take place 14–18 December, 2021, in Florence, Italy (discussion of a virtual-only or partly virtual conference is still underway):

- [USNC Funding](#) to support U.S. participation in the ICC (whether or not it is held virtually)
- Nominations for [ICA awards](#), primarily ICA Scholarships for early career scholars or professionals
- U.S. entries in the [International Cartographic Exhibition](#)
- U.S. entries in the U.S. National and Barbara Petchenik International [Children's Map Competition](#)

Although there is no National Report required for ICC 2021 (they must be submitted every four years in conjunction with the ICA General Assembly; the last report was submitted in 2019), CaGIS maintains an [archive of previous U.S. National Reports](#).

Please contact the USNC Chair, Aileen Buckley, at abuckley@esri.com with any questions about the committee and its activities.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR ICC 2021

[USNC Funding](#)

Whether or not the 2021 ICC is held in person, the USNC is offering funds to help American and international scholars at U.S. institutions participate in ICC 2021. Support is based on a competitive evaluation of submitted materials, including a copy of the abstract that is also submitted for the ICC and a short curriculum vitae.

Preference is given to early career scholars (graduate students and those completing their Ph.D. in the last 5 years). Of these, single-authored abstracts are given preference. Funding for early career scholars is provided through a grant by the Human-Environment and Geographical Sciences Program of the National Science Foundation. The grant was submitted and is administered by USNC member, Dr. Patrick Kennelly.

Support for non-early career scholars is made available by CaGIS. CaGIS members are welcome to apply.

Deadlines

- **March 19, 2021:** Submission of full papers for *Advances of the ICA* and *International Journal of Cartography* (see <https://www.icc2021.net/submission-guidelines/>)
- **May 28, 2021:** Submission of abstracts for ICC 2021 *Proceedings of the ICA* and *Abstracts of the ICA* (see <https://www.icc2021.net/submission-guidelines/>)
- **May 28, 2021:** Submission to the [USNC Chair](#) of requests for USNC Funding; same as the date for the submission of ICC abstracts (see <https://cartogis.org/usnc-ica/>)
- **July 2, 2021:** Notification of acceptance of full papers and abstracts
- **July 9, 2021:** Notification of decisions about USNC Funding
- **July 30, 2021:** Submission of final manuscripts for full papers

ICA Awards

The ICA offers scholarships to support early career scholars and professionals in advancing their career in cartography and GIScience to the benefit of the ICA community. ICA scholarships can be used to participate in ICA events (International Cartographic Conferences, Regional Cartographic Conferences, or [ICA Commission](#) workshops). Details are available at <http://icaci.org/scholarship/>. The scholarship application must be accompanied by a letter of support from the U.S. National Delegate. Please email [Aileen Buckley](#), USNC Chair and Lead U.S. National Delegate to the ICA, to request this letter.

Deadlines

- **To Be Announced (TBA):** Requests to the [USNC Chair](#) for letters of support for applications for ICA scholarships
- **TBA:** Submission to the [ICA Secretary-General](#) of applications for ICA scholarships

[International Cartographic Exhibition](#)

Participation is open to all U.S. map makers and others to submit their cartographic products, including paper maps and charts, atlases, digital products, digital services, educational cartographic products, and other cartographic products (including globes and tactile maps). All submitted products must have been produced or modified after July 2019 (the date of the last ICC). Submissions will be displayed in the ICE and in the online Exhibition Catalogue (which will remain accessible via a link at the [ICA website](#) for two years after the Exhibition date). All submitted products will be judged by a cartographic jury during the ICE, and winners will be announced at the close of the conference.

Deadlines

- **September 15, 2021:** Submission to the [USNC Chair](#) of cartographic products
- **TBA:** Access to the online catalogue of 2021 ICE

Children's Map Competition

Organized by the Cartography and Geographic Information Society, the Children's Map Competition is a map competition for all children ages 15 years or younger. The goal of the contest is to promote the creative representation of the world in graphic form by children. It is offered every two years to celebrate the creativity, imagination, artistry, and wisdom of child mapmakers. Please see the [Children's Map Competition web page](#) for details and resources.

Deadlines

- **April 15, 2021:** Submission to the [U.S. organizer](#) of entries in the U.S. National Children's Map Competition
- **TBA:** Selection of winners of the U.S. National Children's Map Competition
- **December 18, 2021:** Selection of winners of the Petchenik Children's World Map Competition