



## **Avenza Map Contest 2023**

### **Official Eligibility, Release, and Rules**

**Sponsor:** The Sponsor of the contest is Avenza Systems Inc., located at 84 Merton St. Toronto, ON, Canada.

**Entrant:** The primary author indicated on the submission form. The Entrant will be the primary contact for notification of winners, and delivery of prizes.

#### **Entry Period:**

Submissions must be received in their entirety within the following entry period:

- Submissions open: July 1, 2022 at 12:01 a.m. (Eastern Time)
- Submissions close: October 31, 2023 at 11:59 p.m. (Eastern Time)
- Winners announcement: December 1, 2023

#### **Eligibility:**

The contest is open only to individuals who meet ALL of the following criteria:

- a) are the legal age of majority in their country, province, or state of residency, except for individuals who are residents of Crimea; Iran; North Korea; Russia; Sudan; Syria; the Province of Quebec, Canada, and where prohibited by national, state, provincial, or any other governmental laws or regulations;
- b) have submitted a map created using legally authorized Avenza software;
- c) have made a complete submission in accordance with the submission conditions within the Entry Period.

Employees and representatives of Avenza are not eligible to enter the contest. The Sponsor reserves the right to verify the eligibility of Entrants.

Void where prohibited by law. Entrants from organizations which prohibit or restrict participation in promotions such as these are not eligible to participate. Entrants are responsible for confirming with their organization any policies or restrictions concerning participation in the contest. Any submission that is not produced by the Entrant or that violates patent, copyright, trademark, or trade secret laws is ineligible.

#### **How to Enter:**

No purchase necessary. One submission per Entrant. Contest entries will be derived from each complete submission received by Avenza Systems Inc. within the Entry Period. A complete submission consists of the entry form available at [avenza.com/map-contest/submission/](https://avenza.com/map-contest/submission/). Submitting an entry to the contest indicates the Entrant has read and agreed to the contest terms and conditions outlined in this document. Incomplete, late, stolen, misdirected or illegible submissions are void. All submissions must adhere to the submission guidelines outlined below.

**Submission Guidelines:**

- a) One submission per Entrant.
- b) Maps submissions must be developed using Avenza software. Other software may be used to supplement map creation, but Avenza software must be a significant component.
- c) Collaborative maps (projects created by a team rather than an individual) are allowed. Secondary contributors should be listed in the "Additional contributors" section of the submission form. Secondary contributors must also adhere to the same eligibility guidelines as the Entrant detailed above. It is the responsibility of the primary Entrant to distribute any potential winnings among team members.
- d) The cartographic work in these maps must be the original work of the Entrant (and secondary contributors, if applicable). The data used to create the map must be appropriately cited.
- e) Map projects conducted under the supervision of a professor or other type of supervisor are accepted as long as the actual map creation was performed by the Entrant (and secondary contributors, if applicable).
- f) Maps will be accepted in digital formats: PNG, JPG, or PDF. Resolution for digital files should be high resolution (150 DPI minimum recommended). Submitted files should be no larger than 100MB.

**Originality and Usage Terms:**

The Entrant certifies that they are the owner of the submission in copyright and title rights, are the original named author, and grant to Sponsor an exclusive, worldwide, perpetual, assignable, royalty-free license to display the submission in all media or platforms, whether now or hereafter known, worldwide and on the Internet and the Entrant agrees to indemnify and hold the Sponsor harmless for any claims contrary. Display of submission by the Sponsor will be strictly for marketing purposes and to make derivative works from such materials for marketing (i.e. to create promotional materials).

**Redistribution Rights:**

By participating in the contest, each Entrant hereby grants permission for the Sponsor to use the Entrant's submission for the purpose of advertising, trade, and promotion without further notice, permission, or compensation. Except as required by law or permitted pursuant to these Official Rules, the Sponsor will not share an Entrant's personal information with any third parties.

**Judging:**

Judges for the Avenza Map Contest are to be appointed by the Avenza Systems team. Judging will be conducted by professional Cartographers, expert map-makers, and other members of the Avenza Team. For each map submission, judges will primarily assess the following categories: Visual Quality, Creativity, Design Effectiveness, and Map Clarity. The Avenza Judges' decisions will be considered final and not subject to dispute and or appeal in any fashion.

**Notification of Winner:**

Upon completion of judging, winners will be notified via the email address listed on the original submission form by the Entrant. Failure to provide a valid email address may result in disqualification. Winners will be required to verify eligibility through email communication. If the Sponsor is unable to establish communications with the winner via email, the winner may be disqualified, and an alternative winner may be selected. Winning entries will be publicly announced on Avenza social media and on the Avenza website on December 1, 2023.

**Prize Details:**

The Avenza Map Contest will have a Grand Prize winner, a Runner-up prize winner, and a Second Runner-up prize winner. A single Entrant cannot win multiple prizes. The Sponsors may withhold the awarding of prizes in the event of disqualification of the Entrant, or when communication between the Sponsor and the Entrant cannot be established. Following notice of a prize, the Entrant will have a limited amount of time to provide the Sponsor with all the details necessary to deliver the prize. Failing to do so may result in the prize being forfeited.

- The **Grand Prize** includes an Amazon Gift Card valued at \$500 USD (five hundred United States dollars), and a “software prize” which consists of a one-year fixed license for MAPublisher and a one-year fixed license for Geographic Imager.
- The **Runner-up Prize** includes an Amazon Gift Card valued at \$250 USD (two hundred fifty United States dollars), and a “software prize” which consists of a one-year fixed license for MAPublisher and a one-year fixed license for Geographic Imager.
- The **Second Runner-up Prize** includes a “software prize” which consists of a one-year fixed license for MAPublisher and a one-year fixed license for Geographic Imager.

Software prizes do not include licenses for Adobe Illustrator or Adobe Photoshop software.

**Awarding of Prizes:**

The gift card prize and/or software prize will be awarded to each winning Entrant by the Sponsor via email. No substitutions for prizes will be made, and prizes are not transferable. Sponsor reserves the right to discontinue this contest without prior notice or to not grant any prizes if the submitted entry does not meet the criteria set forth herein. All judging is final and is not subject to appeal.

**Privacy Policy:**

By entering the contest, the Entrant gives express consent for the collection, reproduction, storage, and use of personal information as it relates to the contest. The Sponsor’s privacy policy can be viewed at [avenza.com/legal/privacy-policy](https://avenza.com/legal/privacy-policy).

**More Information:**

Questions or inquiries regarding eligibility, rules, and submission requirements for the 2023 Avenza Map Contest may be sent to [mapcontest@avenza.com](mailto:mapcontest@avenza.com).