2017 NYS Geospatial Applications Awards Competition

Do you or your team have a slick GIS App or Project that you are proud of? Do you want to show it off to your GIS peers? The NYS GIS Association is pleased to announce the Biennial GIS Applications Award. Recognition will be given for the innovative and successful application of geospatial technology and announced at the 2017 NYGeoCon on October 17, 2017. Finalists will have a description of their projects published by the Association as a way of highlighting all the great work being done here in NY.

Your GIS application can be anything from improving a workflow using out-of-the-box tools to a detailed web application for data viewing or collecting. It can be written for use by any number of people, from specific individuals to an entire enterprise or a wide-ranging web audience. So, an application is not just something you download on a device or code installed somehow in your desktop, it's the use of the technology that matters.

Applications are also rarely implanted by individuals, so the intention of this program is to recognize your entire team, including both stakeholders, technicians, developers and champions. And the results are almost always intended to provide some sort of return on investment, help resolve a particular pain point, or enhance productivity in some way. So this Awards program is as much about understanding the problems being solved as it is about the technical solution that got you there. By doing that, we hope to help foster greater collaboration and sharing of geospatial solutions across the state and region.

For technical details, see the NYSGIS Association Website at <u>www.nysgis.net/committees/awards</u>.

Eligibility

Any individual, company or organization is eligible to submit a nomination except current members of the Board of Directors, all Committee Chairs and members of the Awards Committee. Your application has to have some relevancy in NY, and at least one of the stakeholders has to have a physical presence or office in NY.

Procedure

All nominations must be made using the official program form which can be downloaded from the NYS GIS Association <u>Website</u>. If you have questions or would like some help getting your submission put down in writing, the Awards Committee members are available to assist you. Don't hesitate to contact the Committee Chair <u>Ross Baldwin</u> with questions or for help with the form.

Finalists will be notified directly and the award announcements made in October in conjunction with the 2017 NYGeoCon in Lake Placid. You may be contacted by a member of the committee for a short interview to help answer questions about your application form prior to the final announcements.

The deadline for submissions is early fall 2017.