



Dick Thomas 1947 – 2006

2018 Dick Thomas Memorial Student Presentation Competition

Dear Students and Teachers,

Mark your calendars! The 2018 Washington GIS Conference will sponsor the Richard 'Dick' Thomas Memorial Student Presentation Competition and Award, the DTA. This award was established in 2006 to honor Washington State GIS pioneer and mentor Richard "Dick" Thomas. The intent of this award is to honor Dick by continuing his work of encouraging students to excel in their studies and transition successfully into careers in the field of GIS. WAURISA's objective is to inspire students to present their original work related to GIS, geography, or geographic research at the annual Washington GIS Conference.

The DTA Student Presentation Competition will occur on Thursday, May 24th during the 2018 Washington GIS Conference at the Red Lion Hotel in Olympia, WA.

Competition FAQs

- Prizes
 - 1st Place \$500
 - 2nd Place \$250
 - 3rd Place \$125
- The DTA Student Presentation Competition is open to all currently enrolled students, and students who have graduated or completed classes within the last year (projects presented need to have occurred while students were still attending school).
- Undergraduate students will compete in a separate track from masters' degree students.
- Presentation abstracts will be accepted from February 1st through April 8th.
- Notification of abstract acceptance will be provided by April 15th.
- The DTA *Submission Form* and *Additional Guidelines and FAQs* are posted on the DTA Competition page of the 2018 Washington GIS Conference website at:
<https://waurisa.wildapricot.org/page-18154>
- Please contact the DTA Coordinator at dta@waurisa.org with any questions.