



# ***2023 U.S. CHILDREN'S MAP COMPETITION***

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**ENTER THE 2023 U.S. CHILDREN'S MAP  
COMPETITION TO DRAW "A MAP OF MY FUTURE WORLD!"**

**CHECK OUT THIS LINK TO  
GET ALL THE DETAILS!**

<https://cartogis.org/awards/children>

**AND START MAPPING!**

Get inspired and watch the video at  
<https://cartogis.org/awards/children>



# CHILDREN'S MAP COMPETITIONS

Every two years, six finalists from each International Cartographic Association (ICA) member country's children's map competitions are chosen for the **international** Barbara Petchenik Children's Map Competition which is hosted during the biennial International Cartographic Conference (ICC). The next ICC is being held in Cape Town, South Africa in Aug. 2023.

The **U.S.** Children's Map Competition is judged by members of the U.S. National Committee (USNC) for the ICA prior to the ICC. Six finalists are chosen from the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners in each age category and sent to the ICC to be entered in the international Petchenik competition.

Barbara Bartz Petchenik  
believed in the power of maps  
to communicate a “larger,  
meaningful, reality.”

The aims of contest named in  
her honor are to promote  
children’s creative represent-  
tation of the world, to  
enhance their cartographic  
awareness and to make them  
more conscious of their  
environment.



The Children's Map Competition is a rare opportunity for kids to tell their story about the world through maps, ***with meaning.***

Rebecca Kneale & Akira  
McTavish-Huriwai (age 15),  
*Through a Child's Eyes*, Finalist  
from New Zealand, 2017.





Students are encouraged to develop a theme and focus their observations on **“content and ideas.”**

Alberto Duran Ortiz (age 12),  
*All Together*. Finalist from  
Spain, 2009.



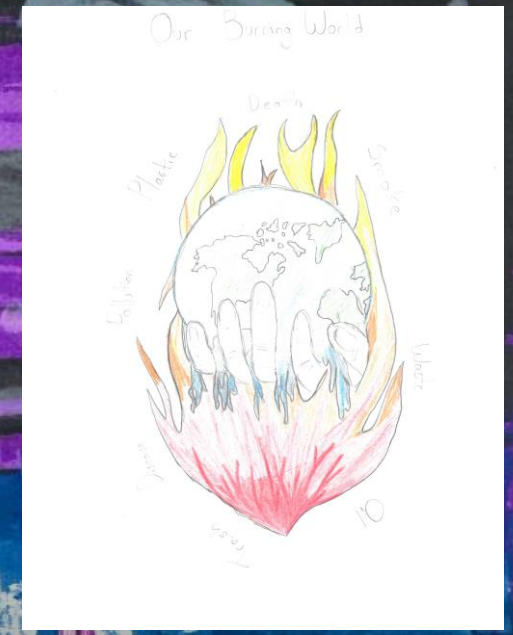
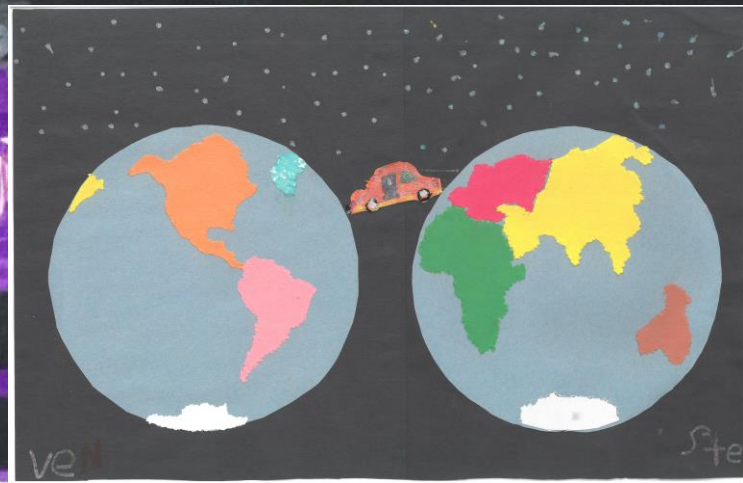
# IMAGES FROM 2017

Theme: We Love Maps







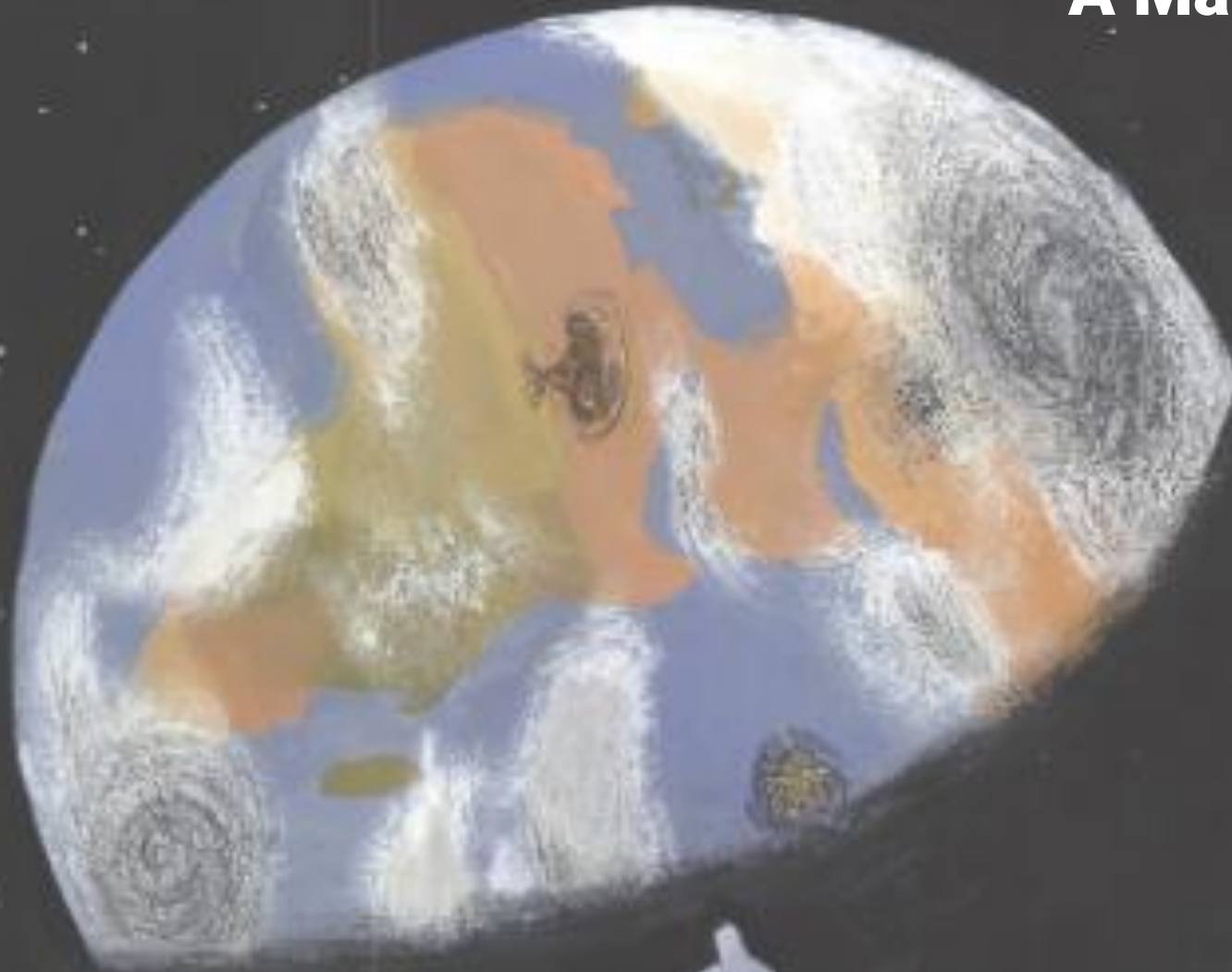


# IMAGES FROM 2021

Theme: A Map of My Future World

***THIS YEAR'S THEME:***  
**"A Map of My Future World"**

Anne Berg (Age 15). *If We Don't Change*. Finalist from United States, 2019.



# Age Categories

- Under 6 Years Old
- 6–8 Years Old
- 9–12 Years Old
- 13 through 15 Years Old

Children can work in a team with up to three others in the same age category to produce a single entry



# Rules

Illustrate the theme “A Map of My Future World” using pictures, drawings, words, objects, or other graphical elements

Include a map of all or large portion of the world with recognizable continents, age-appropriate features, and/or representations

Submit original hard copy map—no digital files will be accepted

Scan or photograph the finished illustration

Submitted entries will not be returned

Maximum size is 11 x 17 inches

Please use a tracking number for entries!



# Judging

- Portray a recognizable message
  - Display cartographic content (symbols, colors, names, etc.)\*
  - Strive for overall quality (balance, harmony, use of color, legibility)
  - Use a “system of projections” to depict coastlines, land masses, or boundaries
  - Enter an original work
  - Use traditional methods (i.e., color pencils, crayons, watercolor, 3D objects) or a computer program
  - Use nonperishable and unbreakable materials (no glass, leaves of plants, etc.)
- \* Note: Cartographic accuracy is not a primary concern, though the illustration should be recognizable as a map in combination with the artist’s unique interpretation of the theme or story



# U.S. Awards



Judges from the USNC will select the winners in each age group.

Honorable mentions will also be selected.

All participants will receive a certificate of acknowledgement, and all winners will receive a prize (book, map, etc.)

# **U.S. Awards**

An International Jury will select the winners in each age group.

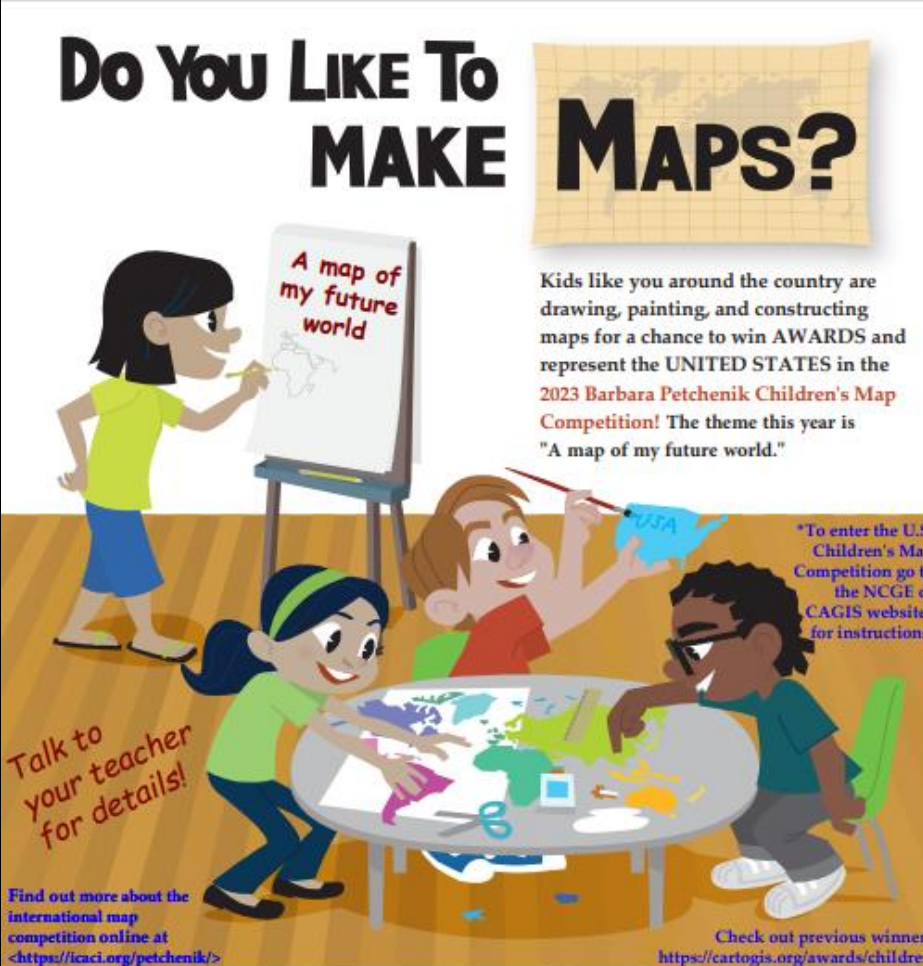
A Public Award will be given based on the votes of visitors to the exhibition.

The ICA Commission on Art and Cartography will present a Creativity Award.



# Promote The Competition

## Do You LIKE To MAKE MAPS?



Kids like you around the country are drawing, painting, and constructing maps for a chance to win AWARDS and represent the UNITED STATES in the 2023 Barbara Petchenik Children's Map Competition! The theme this year is "A map of my future world."

\*To enter the U.S. Children's Map Competition go to the NCGE or CAGIS websites for instructions!




Talk to your teacher for details!

Find out more about the international map competition online at <https://icaci.org/petchenik/>

Check out previous winners: <https://cartogis.org/awards/children/>

You and your friends could win awards! And your map could be selected as one of six national winners that will represent the USA in an international map competition in **Cape Town, South Africa, in 2023!**

National finalists will be displayed with other maps from around the world. Work with your teachers to create your school's map entries for the U.S. Children's Map Competition by February 28, 2023.



<https://cartogis.org>

<https://ncge.org>

Link from <https://cartogis.org/awards/children/rules/>



# Entry Form

ENTRY FORM  
**International Cartographic Association**  
Barbara Petchenik Children's Map Competition 2023

TITLE (English or French):

NAME:

AGE:

EMAIL ADDRESS:

SCHOOL OR PERSONAL ADDRESS\*:

*\* If the entry is individual (not sent by a school) the author's legal representatives (e.g. parents) will decide to make or not public their personal address. If the representatives do not agree to make it public, the official address of the ICA National Commission will be used for future contacts.*

# Permission Slip



International Cartographic Association  
Commission on Cartography and Children  
Barbara Petchenik Map Competition 2023  
*Official permission*



Child's family and first name:

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(Father's / Mother's / Legal representative's) \* family and first name:

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I / We\* agree that my child's drawing may be used, copied, reproduced, modified, reprinted, and publicly performed and displayed, in hard copy or digital formats, by the International Cartographic Association (ICA) or other international organizations/publishers for publication on behalf of the ICA without consultation or copyright/royalty fees.

Date:

Signature

*\* Please, underline the appropriate option.*

***Deadline:  
Send Entries  
So They  
Arrive  
By  
February 28***

2023 FEBRUARY						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29	30	31	1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	1	2	3	4

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# More Information

- U.S. Children's Map Competition
  - CaGIS: <https://cartogis.org/awards/children/>
  - NCGE: <https://ncge.org/programs/childrens-map-competition/>
- Petchenik Children's Map Competition
  - <https://icaci.org/petchenik/>
- Petchenik Children's Map Competition Archives
  - ICA: <https://icaci.org/petchenik>
  - Carlton University Library: <https://childrensmaps.library.Carleton.ca>



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