GIS DAY 2026

Monday, November 16

8:30 - 9:00a.m.	Networking / Registration					
9:00 - 9:30 a.m.	Welcome / SAGs Recognition / Story Map Award / State of the State (Central Gallery)					
9:30 - 10:30 a.m.	Keynote - Matt Forrest - The Future of Geospatial: Why Geography Is Having a Moment (and Why It Matters More Than Ever) (Central Gallery)					
10:30- 11:15 a.m.	**General Poster Session / Networking / GPS Muster**					
11:15 -12:15 p.m.	**Presentation Block I**					
Room	**Room 107 (25)**	**Room 112 (50)**	**Central Gallery (200)**	**Room 118 (50)**	**EOL (25)**	
Track>>	**Open Data**	**Hazards & Resilience**	**Methodological (GeoAI)**	**Urban Planning / City / Cadastral**	**Workshop 10:45am - 12:15pm**	
Moderator	**Richard Crowther**	**Nagini Amancherla**	**Austin Madson**	**Kavon Harris**	**Andrew Gillreath-Brown / Yeim We**	
11:15 a.m.	**Sarah Hurley**: Spatial Data on the CT Geodata Portal	**Juan Bonilla:** From Risk to Resilience: GIS-Powered Hazard Assessment, Evacuation Planning, and Community Preparedness	**Hanlin Zhou**: Validate AI-Derived Safety Perceptions of the Visual Built Environment: Potential, Validation, and Reflection	**Caryn DeCrisanti / Jane Dunbar**: Streamlining Parking Studies Using Mobile GIS	**Devika Jain**: Getting Started with Generative AI for Spatial Data *Registration Required*	
11:45 a.m.	**Qian Lei-Parent**: One Click, Many Tiles: New Batch Download Capabilities in CT ECO Imagery and Elevation Download Tool	**Siqi Lu**: Dim the Lights for Birds at Night!: Global Lighting Control in Protecting Migratory Birds	**Brian Baldwin:** What's Taking Shape: ArcGIS Innovations, Real-World Stories, and the Road Ahead	**Monique Michaud**: Bringing Municipal Data to Life with ArcGIS Experience Builder in Newington, CT		
12:15 - 1:00 p.m.	**Lunch and GeoJeopardy (Central Gallery and Burke Hall)**					
1:00 - 2:30 p.m.	**Presentation Block II**					
Room	**Room 107 (25)**	**Room 112 (50)**	**Central Gallery (200)**	**Room 118 (50)**	**EOL (25)**	**Beinecke (25)**
Track>>	**Open Source**	**GIS in Research**	**Remote Sensing**	**Urban Planning / City / Cadastral**	**Workshop 12:30 - 2:00pm**	**Rare Map Viewing**
Moderator	**Richard Crowther**	**Thad Dymkowski**	**Austin Madson**	**Rebecca Davis**	**Andrew Gillreath-Brown / Yeim We**	**Julia Hernandez / Aaron Reiss**
1:00 p.m.	**Colton Loftus**: Reproducible Geospatial Knowledge Graphs with Apache Iceberg and RDF	**Matthew Shaffer**: Public Scholarship on the Built Environment: Connecticut College We Live Here and Mapping Urban Renewal Initiatives.	**Andrew Peters**: Lidar Strikes Again	**Roy Yu-Ta Lin:** Gen-AI in Practice: Urban Simulation and Intelligence Democratization	**Brian Baldwin**: Dive into GeoAI: A Hands-On Introduction to Esri's Pre-Trained Models *Registration Required*	**Rare Map Viewing** 1:00 - 1:45pm *Registration Required*
1:30 p.m.	**Timothy Nolan**: Connecticut Demographic and Economic Forecast 2060: Mapping Our Future	**Ying Tu**: Infrastructure Access and Health Equity in a Changing Climate: An Integrated Global Assessment	**Boya Zhang**: Using Remote Sensing and GIS to Predict Surface Water Extent and Depth in Everglades National Park	**Delaney Resweber / Justin Salva**: Showcasing the SCRCOG Regional Planning Resource Portal		
2:00 p.m.	**Alexey Shiklomanov**: The sky is the limit: New capabilities enabled by cloud computing and the modern geospatial software stack	**Chelsea Lembert**: Beyond Distance: Mapping Maternal Healthcare Accessibility in Kitsap County, Washington	**Moataz Kilany**: Mapping Connecticut, Line by Line: Statewide Pavement Marking Extraction	**Libbie Duskin**: Connecticut Tide Gate Inventory Viewer		**Rare Map Viewing** 2:00 - 2:45pm *Registration Required*
2:30 - 2:40 p.m.	**Networking Break**					
2:40 - 3:15 p.m.	**General Poster Session / Networking / GPS Muster**					
3:15 - 3:30 p.m.	**Break / Transition**					
3:30 - 3:45 p.m.	Closing Remarks / Poster Session / GPS Muster / Scavenger Hunt Award / Raffle (Central Gallery)					
3:45 - 5:00 p.m.	Mappy Hour @ Burke Hall *cash bar*					