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ESRI USER CONFERENCE

ATTENDEE GUIDE

2026

JULY 13-17

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CONVENTION CENTER**



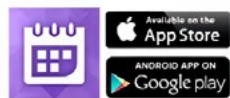
YOUR GUIDE TO THE **2026 ESRI USER CONFERENCE**

Download the Events App

For a personalized conference agenda, download the [Esri Events app](#). You can add sessions to your schedule and find your favorite speakers and Expo areas on the Esri UC website.



Pack your headphones—Live Session Audio is a feature within the Esri Events app where session audio and closed captions will be available for attendees. Our three-part Esri UC Plenary Session, technical sessions, and demo theater presentations will have closed captioning and live audio feeds available for you to access from your mobile device.



[Explore the Detailed Agenda](#)

Registration and Badge Pickup

Check-in is easy! Bring your photo ID and Esri User Conference (Esri UC) registration check-in confirmation email, either printed on paper or readily available on your mobile device. Scan the QR code to get your Esri UC badge and start your week! Conference materials are available for pickup anytime by scanning your badge at any of the Swag counters. Registration hours and locations are listed below.

San Diego International Airport | Terminals 1 and 2

Friday, July 10	NOON–7:00 PM*
Saturday, July 11	7:00 AM–6:00 PM*
Sunday, July 12	7:00 AM–6:00 PM*

San Diego Convention Center | Hall E

Sunday, July 12	10:00 AM–6:00 PM
Monday, July 13	7:00 AM–5:00 PM
Tuesday, July 14	7:30 AM–5:30 PM
Wednesday, July 15	7:30 AM–5:30 PM
Thursday, July 16	8:00 AM–4:00 PM

Hilton San Diego Bayfront | Indigo Ballroom A

Friday, July 10	5:00 PM–7:00 PM
Saturday, July 11	7:00 AM–5:00 PM
Sunday, July 12	7:30 AM–5:00 PM
Monday, July 13	7:00 AM–10:00 AM*

Marriott Marquis San Diego Marina | Pacific Ballroom Foyer, North Tower

Saturday, July 11	7:30 AM–5:00 PM
Sunday, July 12	7:30 AM–5:00 PM

Payments, new registrations, and changes can be made at any of the locations and times identified above.

*Badge pickup only.



Plenary Session

Kick off your Esri UC experience with inspiring stories; see the latest technology in action; and learn from your peers at the three-part Plenary Session on Monday, July 13, at the San Diego Convention Center (SDCC). Jack Dangermond and special guest presenters will share powerful examples of how organizations are using geospatial tools and location intelligence to address local and global challenges.

San Diego Convention Center | Halls F-H

Monday, July 13

[Part 1](#)—8:30 AM–10:00 AM*

[Part 2](#)—10:30 AM–12:15 PM

[Part 3](#)—2:00 PM–4:00 PM

*Doors will open at—7:30 AM

You'll also see live demonstrations of the latest geospatial technologies and hear success stories from your peers, special guests, and the keynote speaker:

- **Kristine Tompkins, President and Co-founder, Tompkins Conservation**
- City of Allentown, Pennsylvania
- NextEra Energy Resources
- Rete Ferroviaria Italiana
- National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's National Weather Service
- National Geographic Society

Bring your headphones to access live audio through the Esri Events app, including Spanish audio translation.

[Learn More About the Plenary Session](#)



Attendee Orientation

Join other Esri UC attendees to get a comprehensive overview that will help you plan your schedule and take advantage of all that Esri UC has to offer.

San Diego Convention Center | Ballroom 20 A

Sunday, July 12 4:00 PM–5:00 PM

San Diego Convention Center | Ballroom 20 B

Monday, July 13 4:15 PM–5:30 PM

Map Gallery Reception

Enjoy hors d'oeuvres, drinks, and stimulating conversation as you explore how your peers map their world with GIS technology.

Visit the interactive Map Gallery kiosks (located in the middle of the Sails Pavilion) to view even more digital content.

During the week, be sure to tour the Virtual Map Gallery to see our expansive collection of beautiful, innovative maps created by our global user community, and vote for your favorites for the Mapper's Choice Award by Wednesday, July 15, at 5:00 PM.

You may bring a guest if you would like, free of charge. Also, your Esri UC badge includes a digitally encoded tag that you can use to receive one complimentary drink during the reception.

San Diego Convention Center | Sails Pavilion

Monday, July 13 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Map Lounge

Beyond navigation, maps teach, inspire, and unite us. The Map Lounge is a dynamic, interactive space where you can unwind, admire astonishing maps, and discover powerful stories. To support different ways of learning and connecting, the Map Lounge is organized into six themed zones. These offer everything from additional seating—one of our most requested amenities—to charging stations, hands-on learning, storytelling, and informal conversations.

San Diego Convention Center | Sails Pavilion

Tuesday, July 14 7:00 AM–6:00 PM

Wednesday, July 15 7:00 AM–6:00 PM

Thursday, July 16 7:00 AM–5:30 PM

[Explore the Map Lounge](#)

The Esri UC Expo

Explore opportunities to meet with experts, discover solutions, and get the latest product and technical information.

San Diego Convention Center | Exhibit Halls A-D

Tuesday, July 14	9:00 AM-5:30 PM
Wednesday, July 15	9:00 AM-5:30 PM
Thursday, July 16	9:00 AM-4:00 PM

Partner Presentations

Join our Esri partners as they share their work and showcase demos on the Expo floor in the Partner Presentation Theater. Be sure to check the agenda for the latest schedule.

San Diego Convention Center | Hall A

Partner Presentation Theater

Partner Presentations

Tuesday, July 14	9:15 AM-5:30 PM
Wednesday, July 15	9:15 AM-5:30 PM
Thursday, July 16	9:15 AM-3:45 PM

Demo Theaters

This is the place to discover how it's done. Let Esri product engineers demonstrate how the latest technology will transform your GIS workflows and help you overcome challenges.

Industry-Specific Schedules

Learn about the industry-specific sessions and events available to you this year. This is the perfect opportunity to focus on the topics most relevant to your field, engage one-on-one with subject matter experts, and learn real-world best practices from industry peers to increase your return on investment (ROI).

[Explore the Flyers](#)

On-Site at Esri UC

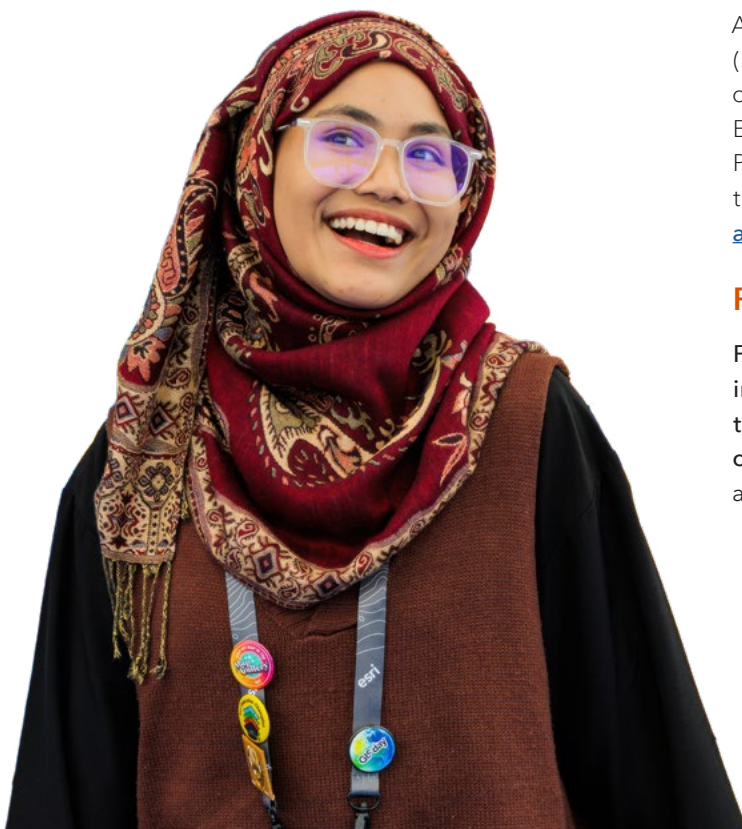
Esri is dedicated to providing a welcoming, respectful, safe, and accessible environment for all conference attendees. Our conference fosters an environment where collaboration can thrive, innovation is abundant and encouraged, and all attendees are provided the opportunity to learn and grow. We ask that all Esri staff and conference attendees be mindful of the [Esri Conference Code of Conduct](#) to help create for everyone a safe and inclusive environment that is free of harassment, aggression, and intimidation. Please be respectful, and if you encounter any inappropriate behavior that makes you or others feel uncomfortable, report it to the nearest Esri representative. You can also email eventsconduct@esri.com and we will take appropriate action.

Accessibility

Esri complies with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and endeavors to ensure that all contracted (Esri-sponsored) space is in compliance as well. For our attendees requiring accessibility assistance, Esri is pleased to offer a dedicated, on-site contact. Please reach out to our accessibility team ahead of the conference for more information by emailing accessibility_team@esri.com.

First Aid

For life-threatening emergencies, call 911 immediately from any available phone or cell phone, then notify security staff for the site so that they can quickly direct first responders. Other first aid is available in SDCC Lobby G.



Lactation Room

Esri is pleased to offer lactation rooms for the use of conference attendees and Esri staff.

Private Mamava lactation pods are available at the San Diego Convention Center in Lobby B, Lobby H, Ballroom 20 Foyer, and on the Mezzanine Level near room 17. The pods can be unlocked by using the free [Mamava mobile app](#).

Nursing mothers may store expressed milk in refrigerators at the information desks in Lobby D, lower level, or Ballroom 20 Foyer, upper level.

Children at the Conference

For the safety and security of all involved, all conference sessions, tracks, and exhibits are for registered attendees only, unless otherwise noted. All registered conference attendees must be at least 18 years of age. However, we offer several opportunities for attendees to include their families, partners, and children in parts of the conference.

Guests are welcome to accompany attendees to the Map Gallery Reception; [Family Night at the Esri UC Expo; and the Esri UC Party](#), to be held at Balboa Park. Additional fees for the Esri UC Party may apply; please ask for more information at the Registration Desk or the Activities Desk.

Childcare Services

Childcare will be available for children ranging in age from six weeks to 12 years. Licensed childcare services will be provided by KiddieCorp at a reasonable cost, subsidized by Esri. Care will be scheduled to align with the conference program, ensuring that parents and guardians can fully participate in all sessions and activities.

Location, Dates, and Times

Marriott Marquis San Diego Marina

Monday, July 13	7:30 AM–6:30 PM
Tuesday, July 14	7:30 AM–6:30 PM
Wednesday, July 15	7:30 AM–5:30 PM
Thursday, July 16	7:30 AM–5:30 PM
Friday, July 17	7:30 AM–12:30 PM

Register your child using the KiddieCorp company's [registration form](#). Reservations made after June 12 are subject to availability.

Esri UC Activities

Find your work-life balance by supplementing your conference agenda with fun activities that exercise your body and mind.

San Diego Convention Center | Lobby D

Sunday, July 12	10:00 AM–6:00 PM
Monday, July 13	7:00 AM–5:00 PM
Tuesday, July 14	7:30 AM–5:30 PM
Wednesday, July 15	7:30 AM–5:30 PM
Thursday, July 16	8:00 AM–6:00 PM

[Learn More About Things to Do.](#)

Esri 5K Fun Run/Walk

Join fellow attendees along the scenic San Diego waterfront. Regardless of your pace, you can get moving with the Esri user community by your side. Participants aged 18 years and older are welcome to join. Guests of Esri UC attendees can register on-site at the Activities Desk in Lobby D beginning on Sunday, July 12.

Start and Finish Line Hilton San Diego Bayfront | Embarcadero Boardwalk

Wednesday, July 15	6:00 AM check-in 6:30 AM shotgun start
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Please note: Registration is required and fees apply.* Price includes Esri 5K Fun Run/Walk T-shirt and medal. Price includes Esri 5K Fun Run/Walk T-shirt, running bib, and medal.

Sign up at the Activities Desk at the SDCC in Lobby D.

Morning Yoga

Start your day with a sense of inner calm. Stretch your body and relax your mind during morning yoga. Participants aged 18 years and older are welcome to join.

Hilton San Diego Bayfront | Promenade Plaza

Tuesday, July 14	6:30 AM–7:30 AM
Thursday, July 16	6:30 AM–7:30 AM

Marriott Marquis San Diego Marina | Coronado Terrace

Wednesday, July 15	6:30 AM–7:30 AM
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Please note: Registration is required, and fees apply.* Price includes Esri UC yoga mat. Sign up at the Activities Desk at the SDCC in Lobby D.



Esri Kids Fair

If your kids are coming to San Diego with you for Esri UC, make sure to take them to the Esri Kids Fair! Esri Kids Fair introduces GIS through educational and hands-on activities while you spend time with your young ones. This year's theme is Continents. After completing each activity and filling out their passport, kids will earn a special prize.

Kids from 5 to 14 years old are welcome! A parent or guardian must be present at all times.

Marriott Marquis San Diego Marina | Pacific Ballroom 15-17

Tuesday, July 14	8:30 AM-5:30 PM
Wednesday, July 15	8:30 AM-5:00 PM
Thursday, July 16	8:30 AM-2:00 PM

Register on-site at the Kids Fair Welcome Desk—there is no additional cost.

[Learn More About Esri Kids Fair](#)

Family Night at the Expo

Introduce your family and friends to GIS at the Esri UC Expo. Enjoy partner exhibits, fun activities, and more. This event is open to anyone accompanied by a registered Esri UC attendee.

San Diego Convention Center | Exhibit Halls A-D

Wednesday, July 15 3:30 PM-5:30 PM

Esri UC Party at Balboa Park

Wrap up an incredible week at the 2026 Esri UC with a festive evening featuring international cuisine, live entertainment, and activities the whole family can enjoy. Your Esri UC registration includes access to the Esri UC Party.

Event Details

- Date: Thursday, July 16
- Time: 5:30 PM-9:00 PM
- Location: Balboa Park
- Wristbands are required.
- Get your wristband by scanning your badge. Badge scanning is available from 10:00 AM on Wednesday, July 15, through Thursday, July 16, in SDCC, Hall E, at any of the Swag counters.
- Additional wristbands can be purchased for family and friends at the Activities Desk for \$75 each.
- Children aged 12 years and younger are admitted free.
- No cash accepted.

[Explore More About the Esri UC Party](#)

Esri Merch Store

Visit the Esri Merch Store to find T-shirts, mouse pads, and other Esri memorabilia for GIS lovers of all ages. Of course, you'll also find award-winning books about the science, application, and technology of GIS, published by Esri Press.*

San Diego Convention Center | Lobby D

Sunday, July 12	10:00 AM–6:00 PM**
Monday, July 13	7:00 AM–6:00 PM
Tuesday, July 14	7:30 AM–5:30 PM
Wednesday, July 15	7:30 AM–5:30 PM
Thursday, July 16	8:00 AM–5:00 PM

*No cash accepted.

**Note: Access is limited to badged attendees only.

Lunch Options

Lunch for purchase is available at a variety of locations, Monday through Thursday. Enjoy a diverse selection of foods provided by kiosks and food trucks at the following locations:

San Diego Convention Center | Plaza Park

Monday, July 13	10:00 AM–2:00 PM
Tuesday, July 14	10:00 AM–2:00 PM
Wednesday, July 15	10:00 AM–2:00 PM
Thursday, July 16	10:00 AM–2:00 PM

San Diego Convention Center | Sails Pavilion

Tuesday, July 14	11:00 AM–1:30 PM
Wednesday, July 15	11:00 AM–1:30 PM
Thursday, July 16	11:00 AM–1:30 PM

San Diego Convention Center | Lobby 27/28

Tuesday, July 14	11:00 AM–2:00 PM
Wednesday, July 15	11:00 AM–2:00 PM

Hilton San Diego Bayfront | Bayfront Lawn

Monday, July 13	NOON–2:00 PM
Tuesday, July 14	11:00 AM–1:00 PM
Wednesday, July 15	11:00 AM–1:00 PM
Thursday, July 16	11:00 AM–1:00 PM

Lunch Discounts

There are a number of local vendors that offer discounts during the conference. Be sure to wear your badge to receive the discount.

Mobile Device Charging

Need to charge your phone, laptop, or other devices? There are multiple charging stations in the San Diego Convention Center along the lower-level lobbies and upstairs in the Map Lounge.

Hydration Stations

Water will be available at hydration stations throughout the conference venue. Use your new Esri UC water bottle and stay hydrated throughout Esri UC.

Information Desk

Need assistance? Get your questions answered at the Information Desk located in the SDCC, Lobby D.

Luggage Check

You may securely check your belongings at the SDCC, Lobby C.

Parking

On-site private parking is available at the 1,950-vehicle underground garage of the SDCC.

[Explore All Parking Options](#)

Tips on How to Stay Comfortable and Warm

With over two million square feet of conference space, we encourage you to wear comfortable shoes. And given the cool temperatures in the convention center and during the evenings outdoors, we also encourage you to bring a light jacket.

San Diego Convention Center Maps

[Access Our Interactive Map](#)

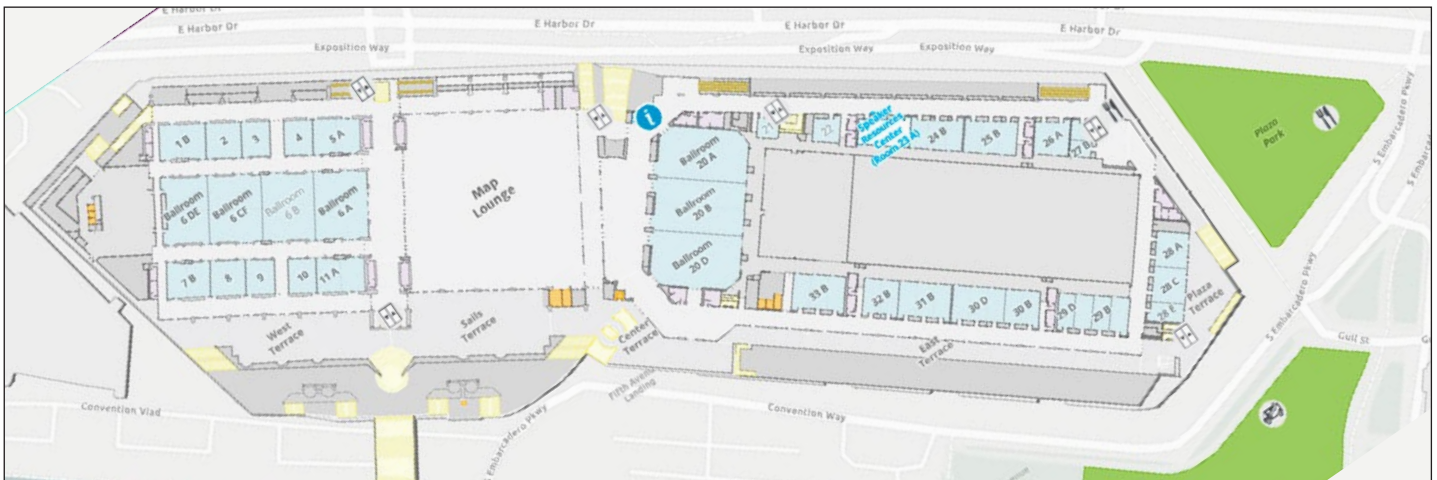
Ground Level



Mezzanine



Upper Level





Esri, the global market leader in geographic information system (GIS) software, offers the most powerful mapping and spatial analytics technology available.

Since 1969, Esri has helped customers unlock the full potential of data to improve operational and business results. Today, Esri® software is deployed in more than 350,000 organizations including the world's largest cities, most national governments, 75 percent of Fortune 500 companies, and more than 7,000 colleges and universities. Esri engineers the most advanced solutions for digital transformation, the Internet of Things (IoT), and location analytics to inform the most authoritative maps in the world.

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