

A Decade of Evolving Maps

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Maps and mapping concepts have changed radically in the past ten years, driven by developments in GIS, virtual reality, the Internet, and search engines. Spatial thinking, long championed by groups like ECAI, is moving into the mainstream as search engines embrace mapping as a powerful method to filter and display information. Even the concept of map collecting has changed as individuals build their own annotated digital map collections online. Rumsey will discuss these changes using examples from the evolution of his own map collection and the tools he has used and will use to disseminate the collection on the Internet, including his recent collaborations with Google Earth and Second Life in opening venues for new ways to interact with historical maps.