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Alexandria, VA - Earth Science Week's organizer is pleased to announce the first-ever winners of its new "One Shared Place" video contest.

The American Geosciences Institute (AGI) has named four winners from among the teams of educators and students invited to submit a 30- to 90-second original video informing viewers about an outdoor place that is special in terms of geoheritage and geoscience (alphabetically):

- "Deal Island" - Educator Kolby Noble and students Ashlynn Merrit, Matthew Price, Lasadia Skelley, Dawson Daniels, Nathan Bradford, Jazmine White, Madison Mechalske, Ethan Scott, Alyssa Moisan, Kenny Stachawski, and Paige Barnes (Deal Island, MD).
- "Rock Hard" - Educator Margaret Salter and students Nick Urbanic, Hayes Densman, Savannah Urbanic, and Drake Densman (Milton, FL).
- "The Science Geeks" - Educator Karen Folleras and students Audrey Chang, Emilia Lazarova, Gousikaa Suresh, and Ashlyn Laubach (Colorado Springs, CO).
- "Science Superbs" - Educator Karen Folleras and students Prarthana Mathad, Peter Richardson, Ashton Holmes, Beckett Shanon, Aashay Deshpande, and Lucian Ensell (Colorado Springs, CO).

View winning videos and read descriptions on the One Shared Place website (<http://bit.ly/2eKHJlv>), along with information about the other finalist teams. Winning videos also can be seen on the AGI YouTube page (<http://bit.ly/2f04oew>).

The contest, which promoted understanding of the important role of the geosciences in everyone's life, selected winning entries that celebrated "Our Shared Geoheritage," the theme of Earth Science Week 2016 (<http://www.earthsciweek.org/>). The event, AGI's international public awareness campaign to promote the geosciences, reaches over 50 million people a year.

Congratulations to the winners and others who entered. Each winning team received a cash prize. A contest overview is provided in a brief One Shared Place Introduction video available via social media and YouTube (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6po8mZtQvp8>).

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Reaching over 50 million people annually, Earth Science Week has been led by AGI in cooperation with its sponsors and the geoscience community since 1998. Earth Science Week 2017 will be celebrated October 8-14, 2017. To learn more, please visit [www.earthsciweek.org](http://www.earthsciweek.org). To order Toolkits, please visit [www.earthsciweek.org/materials](http://www.earthsciweek.org/materials). You may also call AGI Publications to place your order at 703-379-2480.

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The American Geosciences Institute is a nonprofit federation of geoscientific and professional associations that represents more than 250,000 geologists, geophysicists and other earth scientists. Founded in 1948, AGI provides information services to geoscientists, serves as a voice of shared interests in the profession, plays a major role in strengthening geoscience education, and strives to increase public awareness of the vital role the geosciences play in society's use of resources, resiliency to natural hazards, and interaction with the environment.

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