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ALEXANDRIA, Va. — Recognizing the need to provide educational activities that young people and others can pursue at home, in the classroom, and in additional settings during this challenging time, the American Geosciences Institute (AGI) is opening submissions for its Earth Science Week contests.

AGI is sponsoring four contests honoring this year's theme, "Water Today and for the Future," for the celebration of Earth Science Week that will take place October 10-16, 2021. This year's competitions will feature video, photography, visual arts, and essay contests:

- Teams and individuals of any age are invited to submit brief videos that show viewers their perspective on "Water Is Part of Life Around the World."
- The photo contest, also open to all ages, asks participants to shine a spotlight on "Water as a Resource in My Community."
- Open to students in grades K-5, the visual arts contest encourages children to depict "Water and Me."
- Finally, students in grades 6-9 are eligible to enter the essay contest, "How We Understand, Use, and Protect Water."

For all contests, entries may be submitted any time from now to the Friday of Earth Science Week, October 15, 2021. These contests allow both students and the general public to participate in the celebration, learn about Earth science, and compete for prizes. The first-place prize for each contest is \$300 and an AGI publication.

To learn more about these contests, including how to enter, visit Earth Science Week Contests at <https://www.earthsciweek.org/contests>.

Reaching millions of people annually, Earth Science Week is led by AGI in cooperation with its sponsors and the geoscience community as a service to the public. Each October, community groups, educators, and interested citizens organize celebratory events. Earth Science Week offers opportunities to discover the Earth sciences and engage in responsible stewardship of the Earth. Learn more at Earth Science Week at <https://www.earthsciweek.org>.

### About AGI

The American Geosciences Institute (AGI), a federation of scientific and professional associations representing over a quarter-million geoscientists, is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to serving the geoscience community and addressing the needs of society. AGI headquarters are in Alexandria, Virginia.

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