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ALEXANDRIA, Va. — The American Geosciences Institute (AGI) congratulates the winners and finalists of the recent Earth Science Week art, photo, essay, and video contests, whose creative submissions addressed the Earth Science Week 2023 theme of "Geoscience Innovating for Earth and People."

Organized by AGI, Earth Science Week is a celebration and public awareness campaign reaching millions of people worldwide each year with information about geoscience. The contests provide an opportunity for individuals - including, in many cases, students producing entries as part of a classroom project - to explore and demonstrate their understanding of Earth science.

Shamim Al-Noor of Gazipur, Bangladesh, won first place in the photo contest. Finalists were Giorgia Gallegos of Half Moon Bay, California; Annette Henderson of Redwood City, California; Jerry Nissley of Alexandria, Virginia; and Mandy Roche of San Mateo, California. Submissions showed "Innovation Right Here" in their communities.

Aydin Soner of Columbia, South Carolina, won first place in the visual arts contest. Finalists were Tracer Montoya of Polvadera, New Mexico; Kamari Pereira of Jacksonville, Florida; Hosanna Ponnudurai of Troy, Michigan; and Vladislav Ventura of Bronx, New York. Students in grades K-5 made two-dimensional artworks illustrating "Earth Science Innovations."

Donovan Fish of Guyton, Georgia, won first place in the essay contest. Finalists were Ronald Bridges of Brandywine, Maryland; Mackenzie Campbell of Virginia Beach, Virginia; Nirja Patel of Virginia Beach, Virginia; and Alex Xu of Clyde Hill, Washington. Students in grades 6-9 wrote essays of up to 300 words exploring "Geoscience Innovations Solving Problems."

Toby Leng of Manhasset, New York, won first place in the video contest. Finalists were Aditya Herekar of Edison, New Jersey; Manshu (Gina) Ji of Belmont, California; Allison Meng of Ambler, Pennsylvania; and Kayla Messick of Moss Beach, California. Individuals and teams created brief, original videos told viewers about "Geoscience Innovation Worldwide."

Congratulations to the winners, finalists, and hundreds of students and others who entered. Each first-place winner receives \$300 and an AGI publication. Entries submitted by winners and finalists are posted online at <https://www.earthsciweek.org/contests/2023>.

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 geoscience needs of society. AGI headquarters are in Alexandria, Virginia.

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