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Webcast on Earth Science Contests Now Available from AGI

Alexandria, VA - Go online today to view a new webcast detailing three new contests that are being conducted as part of Earth Science Week, the annual worldwide celebration of the geosciences! Find the "Contests of Earth Science Week 2015" webcast online now for viewing at your convenience.

This free webcast, narrated by AGI Outreach Assistant Katelyn Murtha, provides an overview of guidelines for photography, visual arts, and essay contests. The tutorial includes online links, which viewers can click during the presentation to review detailed guidelines.

Each year, many science teachers encourage students to participate in the visual arts contest, open to students in grades K-5, or the essay contest, which is open to those in grades 6-9. The photography contest is open to all ages. The roughly four-minute tutorial includes information on prizes and recognition.

Reaching over 50 million people annually, AGI leads Earth Science Week in cooperation with the geoscience community as a service to the public. Each year, community groups, educators, and interested citizens organize celebratory events. Earth Science Week offers the public opportunities to discover the Earth sciences and engage in responsible stewardship of the Earth.

To view this webcast, please visit: *www.earthsciweek.org/webcasts*.

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Earth Science Week 2015 will be celebrated October 11-17. To learn more, please visit *www.earthsciweek. org*. To order your Toolkits, please visit *www.earthsciweek.org/materials*. You may also call AGI Publications to place your order at 703-379-2480.

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