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### Webcast on Earth Science Contests Now Available from AGI

Alexandria, VA - Go online today to view a new webcast detailing four contests - including one new competition - that are being conducted as part of Earth Science Week, the annual worldwide celebration of the geosciences! Find the "Contests of Earth Science Week 2016" webcast online now for viewing at your convenience.

This free webcast, narrated by AGI Outreach Associate Brendan Soles, provides an overview of the photography, visual arts, essay, and video contests. The webcast includes online links that viewers can click during the presentation to review detailed guidelines. The roughly four-minute tutorial includes information on prizes and recognition.

Each year, many science teachers encourage students to participate in the traditional Earth Science Week 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. In addition, the new One Shared Place contest calls for videos exploring geoscience and geoheritage.

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](http://www.earthsciweek.org/webcasts).

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Earth Science Week 2016 will be celebrated October 9-15. To learn more, please visit [www.earthsciweek.org](http://www.earthsciweek.org). To order your 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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