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Earth Day Photo Contest

Calling all photographers! The U.S. Embassy Port Moresby is launching its first-ever Earth Day Photo Contest, and we're inviting all citizens of Papua New Guinea, Solomon Islands, and Vanuatu to participate. Between now and April 22, e-mail us one (1) **original**, digital photograph you have taken that captures the natural beauty that should be protected and preserved in Papua New Guinea, Solomon Islands, or Vanuatu expressing the importance of celebrating Earth Day.

As we receive the entries, we will post them in the "Earth Day Photo Contest" photo album on the Embassy's Facebook page for the public to view and vote through the "like" online feature. The top three (3) photos with the highest amount of "likes" will receive a digital camera. Voting will take place until 4:30 p.m. Port Moresby time on April 22. The winners will be announced on April 26, during the Embassy's Annual Earth Day Beach Cleanup at Ela Beach, as well as on our Facebook page.

- The contest is open to all citizens of Papua New Guinea, Solomon Islands, and Vanuatu, barring U.S. mission employees.
- Entrants should e-mail one (1) **original**, previously unpublished, digital photograph to **pdportmoresby@state.gov**. The subject line should read "EARTH DAY PHOTO CONTEST." Include with your photo a caption describing where the photo was taken, and when it was taken. All photographs will be checked before the winners are announced to verify they have not been plagiarized.
- When submitting entries, please include your full name, mailing address, phone number and e-mail address. We will need the information to contact the winners.
- The deadline for entries is **April 22, 2013 at 4:30 p.m. Port Moresby local time.**
- The Embassy reserves the right to deny any photo entries that are inappropriate or offensive.

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