## **Metaphor Meditation**



As you enjoy viewing the following images, stay open to the Holy Spirit revealing to you, the story that each stone, gem or rock formation is speaking of.

What story do you hear? Who do you know that fits that story? Which image do you relate to the most?

Everything that exists on this planet speaks of Our creator and an expression of Him. We are made in His image and reflect that presence.

His creation is *never* to be worshipped - or valued above Him. His love song, His story, His lessons, are all around us.

These images don't even scratch the surface of what He has to say to us through His Creation. Listen, let the lessons come ...

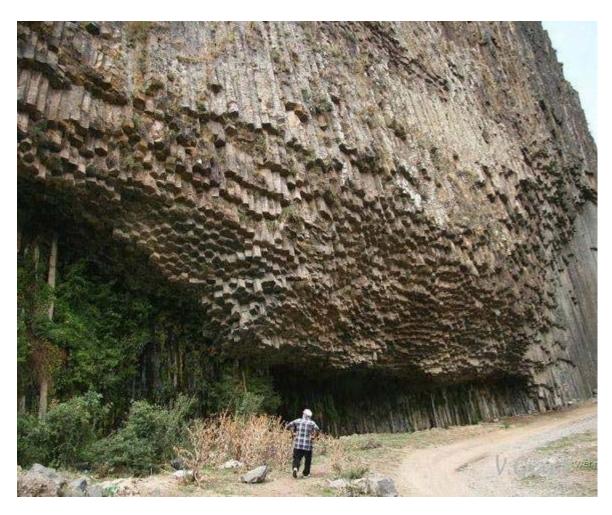
His creation *reveals* HIM. Scroll slowly ... Allow Him to draw you to Him through His visual voice.



Fantastic fluorite on dolomite from Elmwood Mine, Tennessee. Credit: Anton Watzl Minerals



Prase Quartzes with Hematite on matrix - found in Serifos, Greece. credit: Saphira Minerals



Well preserved basalt columns, Garni Gorge, Armenia



Amazing Normal Faults (graben) restoration - near Zanjan, Iran. Photo Copyright © Bahram Sadry

METAPHOR: Timeline of our lives. Trauma occurs, the timeline slips and memories can be confused regarding what happened when, because of the trauma that affected the root/baseline



This bright and colorful piece of natural deer creek fire agate rough originates from Deer Creek, Arizona credit: Maricopa Mining LLC.



labradorite has the ocean trapped inside



Indicolite Tourmaline from Nuristán, Afganistán



Single Dravite crystal exhibiting the "Usambara effect" color change. This is a different type of color change than the Alexandrite effect, where the color changes in different types of lighting.

from: Nchongo, Umba Valley, Tanzania credit:© Marin Mineral



Color-Zoned Amethyst Slice

A most unusual, sharply color-zoned slice of Amethyst from a bizarre stalactitic growth. This was found in Jalgaon District, Maharashtra, India.credit: Rob Lavinsky/iRocks.com



Gorgeous Amethyst Geode bowl



Alzada, Carter County, Montana, USA. This is an excellent example from the locality.

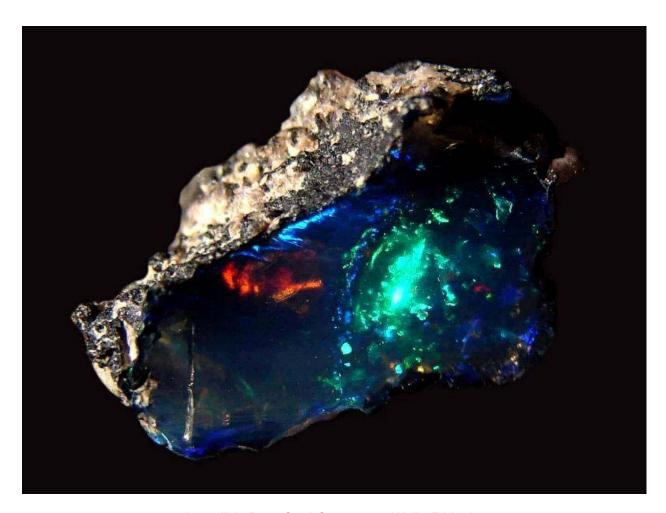
Blake Barnett Photography & Collection



Largest Freeform Black Opal In The World

Radiant with a rainbow of color and very close to twelve inches along the bottom, the huge carving weights 1.2 Kg or 6,000 carats, making it the largest freeform black opal in the world.

Author & Photo courtesy: Christine Roussel



Incredibly Rare Opal Gemstones Wollo Ethiopia



Amazing colorful Agate from Gyöngyöstarján, Hungary Collection & Photo: Tivadar Pécsi



Huge clear quartz cluster mined at the Coleman Crystal Mine in Jessieville, Arkansas. Human for scale at Tucson Gem Show



Chalcedony pseudo-stalactites up to 3 cm tall from Sidi Rahhal, Morocco. Collection and photo



Graphoceras concavum (extinct genus of ammonites) from the upper Aalenian at Geisingen, southwest Germany. age:approximately 200 to 145 million years agoAlbert Russ.



clear Gypsum is heavily included with dendritic native Copper. Mission pit Mission complex, San Xavier, Pima District Sierrita Mts, Arizona, USA



Huge Petrified wood coming to the Tucson gem & mineral show
This one is a 2.25 Meter Sequoia. Credit:Russell Xuhl
Imagine how big the tree was?

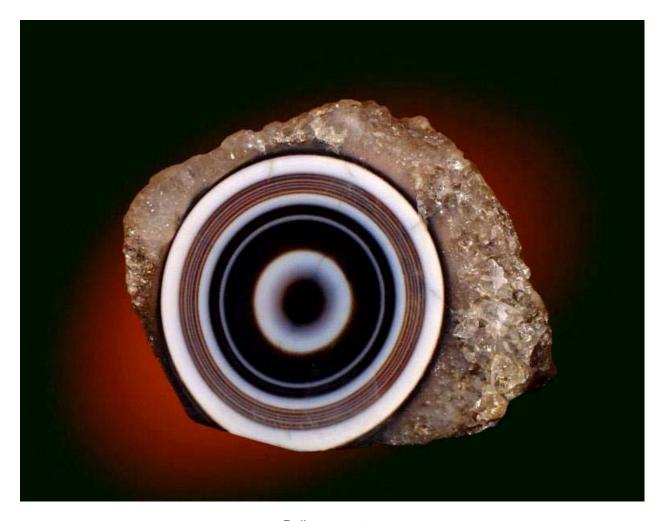


Specimen of the day: Rare druzy Amethyst crystals in Agate geode. Credit: Darwin Dillon.



Autumn Garden in Quartz

Natural polished crystal Quartz with mossy Inclusions of Chlorite cabochon by QStone.



Bullseye agate Onyx-Agate from Minas Geraís, Brasil. Collection: Technical University Kosice . Photography by Ivan Karas



Amazing Galaxy Opal in hand found in Brazil, Photo by: Auscape/UIG



Here's a large, extremely sharply formed, double terminated crystal of gemmy red beryl (bixbite), with 4 small crystals growing out of it. from the world famous Ruby Violet Claim, in the Wah Wah Mountains in the East Thomas Range, Utah. credit: crystal-digger



Brookite from Mt. Bregaceto, Borzonasca, Genova Province, Liguria, Italy Copyright © Chinellato Matteo



Tourmaline FROM Stewart Mine, Tourmaline Queen Mountain, Pala, Pala District, San Diego Co., California, USA Credit: Am Mizunaka FMF



Exquisite natural combination of Calcopyrite, Calcite and Quartz from Vena Gheorge - Bolduts - Cavnic - Maramures FROM: Romania. Photo by : Hummingbird Minerals



Azurite from Black Forest, Baden-Württemberg, Germany Photo: Michael Förch



Collection of 11 Rhodochrosites Crystal Clusters From Northern Cape Province, South Africa Photo : © bonhams



Tall gemmy aquamarine from Brazil. J. Gajowniczek photo.



It is described as smoky quartz and the sample is about 50 cm high. Its origin is Minas Gerais, Brazil and its mass is listed as 32.6 kg.



World's largest quartz crystals of its quality ever found. From the Old Coleman Mine in Jessieville, Arkansas, USA.



Rainbow Lattice Sunstone from Mud Tank, Northern Territory, Australia. Photo : © Kathy Kirk



gigantic opalized ammonite fossil.....



Titanium Rainbow Flame Aura Quartz Crystal Cluster Photo : © stellairon



Psilomelane (w. Hematite) A solid heavy mass of botryoidal Psilomelane with brighter luster than is typical are covering clusters of Hematite strands and botryoids. from Ironwood, Gogebic County, Michigan, United States Copyright © J.Ralph



Brazilian watermelon tourmaline! FROM Sapo Mine, Ferruginha, Conselheiro Pena, Doce Valley, Minas Gerais, Brazil. Credit: DI Anton Watzl



electric blue-capped Elbaite Tourmaline cluster from the Chia Mine, Sao Jose do Safira, Doce Valley, Minas Gerais, Brazil....



Gorgeous Azurite rose| #EarthBeauty

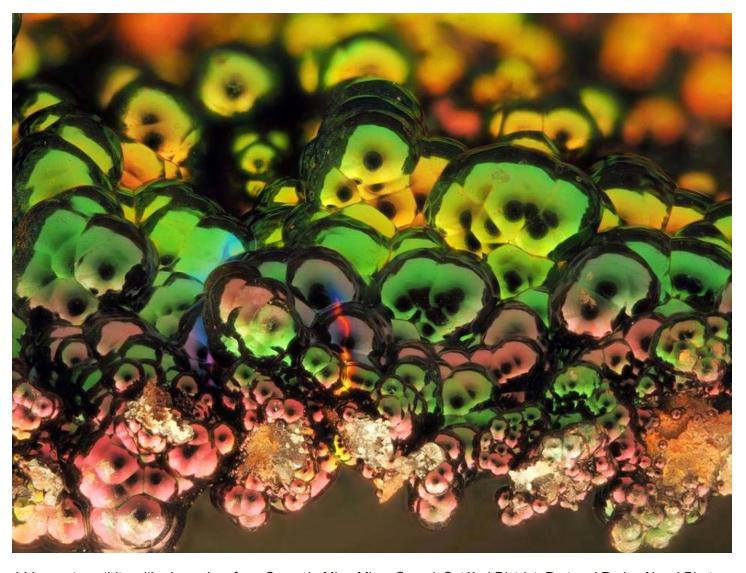
A spray of deep blue bladed azurite crystals has grown in a spiral pattern to form a mineral flower. from Morocco.



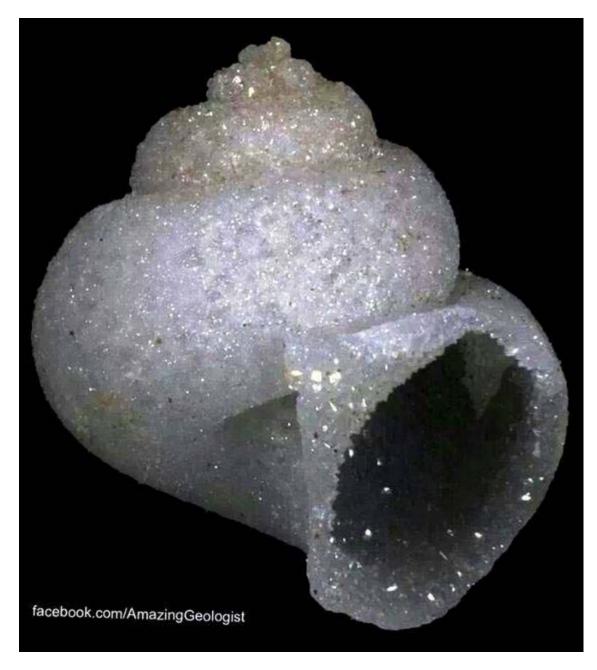
Aggregate parallel of blue crystals of clinoclase, on white quartz crystals. from Clara Mine, Wolfach, Black Forest, Baden-Württemberg, Germany Collection and photo of Gianfranco Ciccolini.



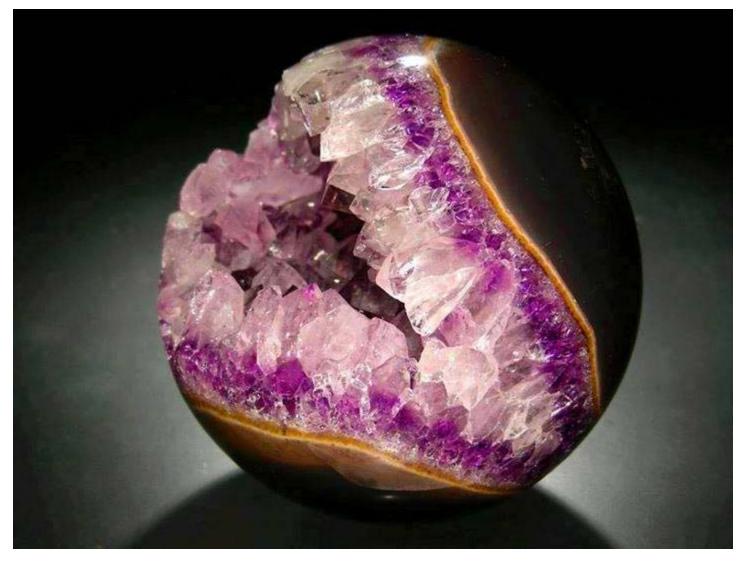
Fine brookite crystals in association with quartz crystals. frpm KharanBalochistan (Baluchistan), Pakistan Mario Miglioli's Photo



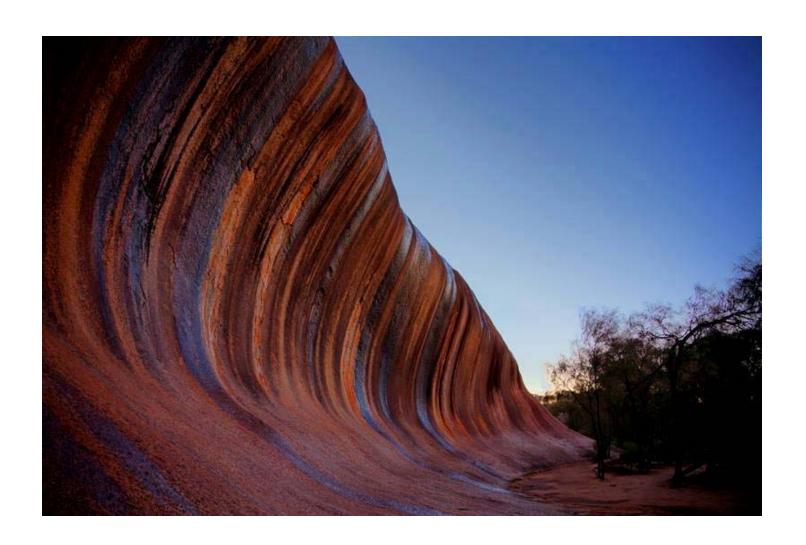
Iridescent goethite with nice colors from Serra da Mina Mine, Cercal, Setúbal District, Portugal Pedro Alves' Photo



Gastropod Shell Formed by mineral Replacment.



Stunning Quartz (var. Amethyst) Sphere from Brazil





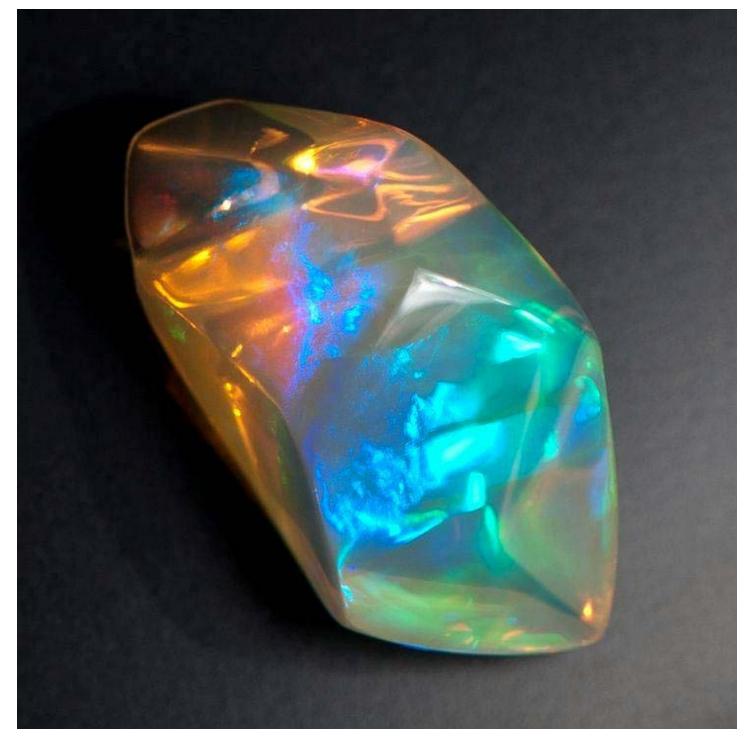
Incredibly beautiful specimen of rare schalenblende from Małopolskie, Poland

Compact Sphalerite and Wurtzite masses of a pale brown colour, occurring in concentric layers with reniform surfaces which also may contain pyrite and galena.

credit: Dawid Godziewski



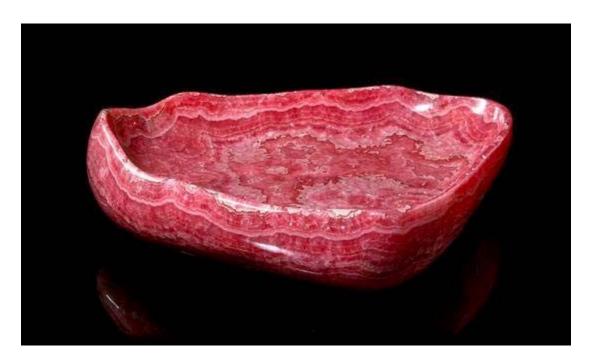
Stunning natural combination of Rhodochrosite, Chalcopyrite, Quartz, Sphalerite and Pyrite from Bulgaria Photo : © quebulfineminerals



Exquisite Welo Opal from Welo Amhara Regional State Ethiopia : credit: © by Treasurion



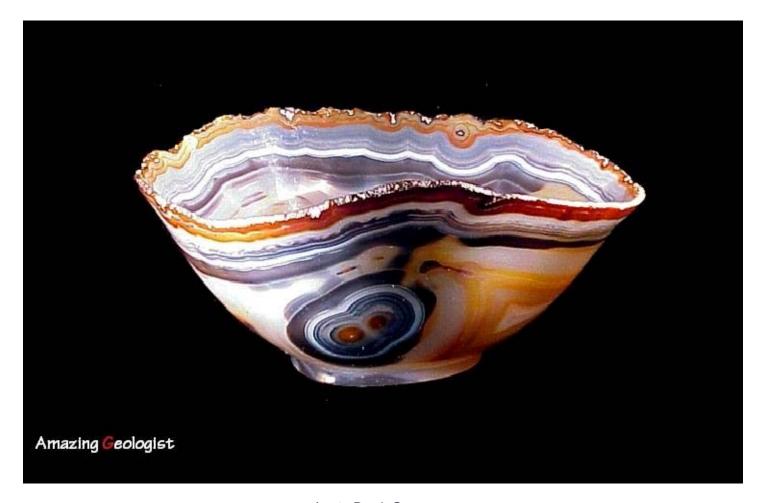
Lightning Ridge light crystal opal " The rose bud" carved by Daniela l'Abbate



A Rhodochrosite Bowl from Capillitas Mine, Catamarca Province, Argentina



Titanium coated Quartz from Arkansas Photo : © ebaumsworld



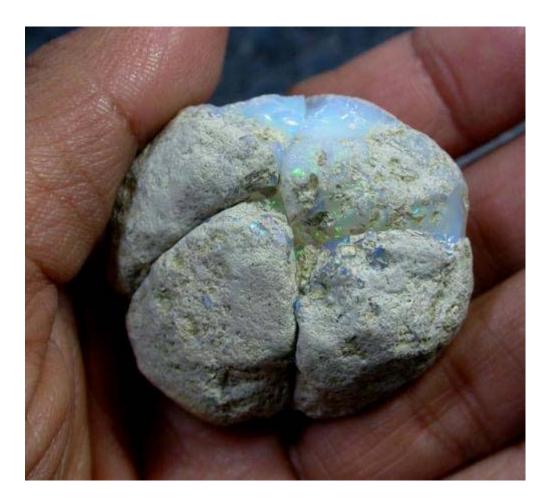
Agate Bowl ,Germany

This bowl was carved from a rare, large block of translucent Brazilian agate that had, originally, a surface of small quartz crystals and the carver skilfully retained those crystals all aound the rim of the bowl! The wonderful baroque form with its agate "eyes" follows the original shape of the rough stone.

Via: Lawrence H. Conklin



Polished Natural Labradorite Crystal From Madagascar



Opal









Scolecite in Geode heulandite and Stilbite, India. \*Photo : © rockmineralvalley





Amethyst Geode inside the ground!



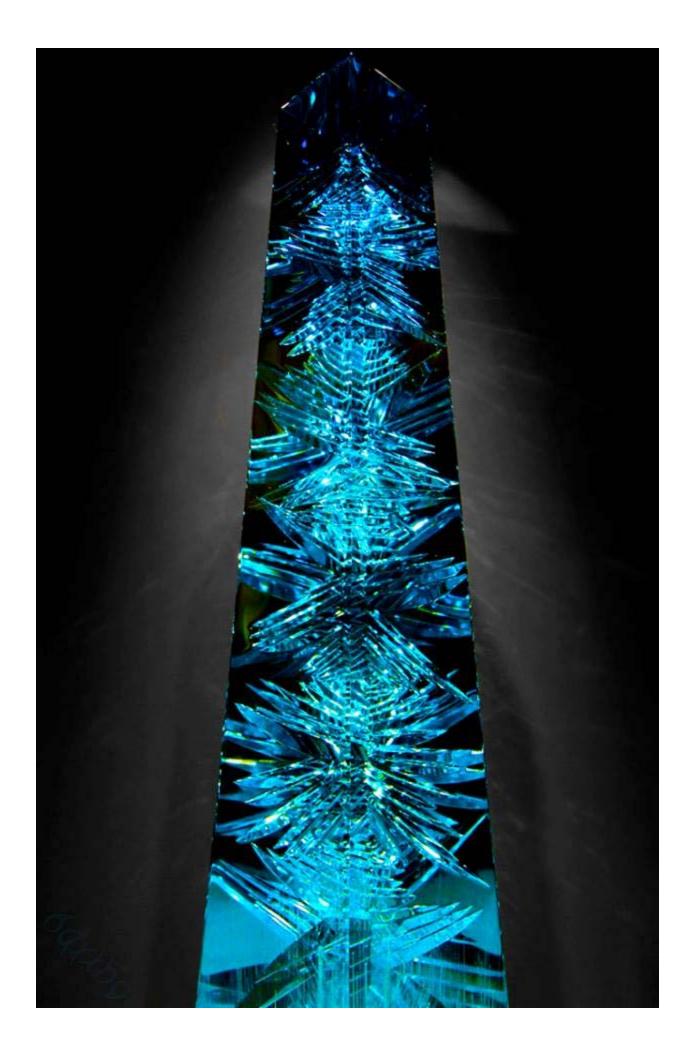
Thunder egg is a nodule-like rock, similar to a filled geode, that is formed within volcanic ash layers. by Bill The Eggman



What can you say about this Blue Lace Agate Geode from Mexico? credit: Igor Schwartzmann



This is a Museum Size Spectacular HUGE Agate Table.
© Design by Luca





Cyrstalized Coyote Skull -

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