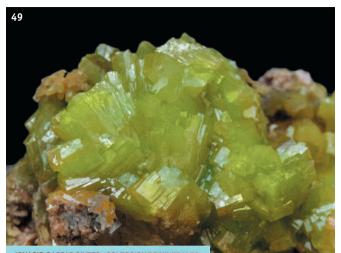
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DIMENSIONES 9 x 6 x 4,5 cm. PRECIO: OBTENCION: Fabre Minerals FECHA 28 de ayorto de 2015 DESCRIPCION: cristiles harta 8 mm Bronados por un prisma carto y al Qinacide, ca cars y aristas may definidas calar verde montano

49. Group of prismatic pyromorphite

crystals. 9 x 6 x 4.5 cm, crystals up to 0.7 x 0.5 cm. San Andrés mine, Del Tunel pocket, Espiel, Comarca Valle del Guadiato, Córdoba, Andalusia, Spain. Ex Ignacio Gaspar Sintes collection. Specimen and photo: *Fabre Minerals*.

50. Rosette aggregates of platy baryte crystals partially covered by small sulfur crystals.
7.8 x 6.4 x 3.6 cm. Tarnobrzeg, Subcarpathian Voivodeship, Poland. Ex Carles Manresa collection. Specimen and photo: *Fabre Minerals*.



first appearing on the world market outside Canada at Tucson 2020. Lustrous deep purple pyramidal crystals to several cm size form groups and clusters up to a few kg in weight. Apart from all those newly mined goodies mentioned above, we should note that recycled collections are occupying an ever increasingly important role in the Tucson shows, and the amount of money being spent on recycled classics exceeds the spending on newly mined material. Every time fresh material from the Rock Currier collection, for example, was put out on the tables, long lines of buyers waited to get at it. So in some sense collectors are consuming "fossil fuel" as more old material than new moves through the market.

The character of the "main" show, (Tucson Gem and Mineral Show®), has changed much over time and is now more of a great social event than a real sales venue. It functions more like a temporary museum with extraordinary exhibits, where some dealers display marvelous booths more to promote their businesses than to actually sell. Sales recede to the background as ever more dealers quit exhibiting there and others try to decide whether continued participation is worthwhile. Everyone agrees that the show should continue, but some creative thinking will be required to ensure its future.

Finally, we say thanks to the FMF forum, for their "Tucson Show 2020" thread https://www.mineral-forum.com/message-board/viewtopic.php?t=6082 which brought attention to most of the new material included in this report.



Acquired in 1986 Small cabinet 156 gm.

The Rock H. Currier Collection No. 4678

51. **Malachite** pseudomorph after crystal cluster of **azurite**. 7.7 x 5.2 x 4.9 cm. New Cornelia Mine, Ajo, Little Ajo Mountains, Ajo District, Pima County, Arizona, USA. Ex Rock H. Currier collection, No. 4667. Specimen and photo: *Fabre Minerals*. Tucson Gem and Mineral Show® (TGMS) is famous for ts exhibitions, in the preparation of which many museums around the world, collectors, dealers, friends of mineralogy clubs take part. This year was no exception – below we publish a list of exhibits that were awarded in competitions in various categories, as well as photos of several exhibits made by Peter Modreski, our good friend and editor.

Junior Novice Adanced Master

Best of Theme

Thumbnail Toe-Nail Miniature Small Cabinet Cabinet Lapidary/Jewelry Self-Collected

Special Trophies

Desautels Lidstrom Bideaux Romero Gibson Schupp

52. Exhibit case of Erin Delventhal,

YMC exposition. Photo: Peter Modreski.

53. Exhibit of the Young Mineral Collectors

(YMC) exposition. Photo: Peter Modreski.

In the opinion of Peter Megaw, TGMS Exhibits Chairman one of important cases was the cooperative exhibit put in by the Young Mineral Collectors (YMC) group...over 60 different contributors... all under 40 years of age...most under 30. This group has grown rapidly into having nearly 1000 members in less than 2 years. All the members he has met are serious collectors. Lauren Megaw and Gawan Fiore are the cofounders of the group. Information about this group can be found on Facebook



3. Exhibits of TGMS-2020

	Louissa Stine David Tibbitts Michael Parrott Not Awarded	Educational Thumbnails Miniatures	Sulfur
	Alex Schauss	Wittichenite	Australia
	Bob Byers	Azurite	Bisbee, AZ
	Dave & Kathy Waisman	Beryl	China
	Dave & Kathy Waisman	Grossular	Mali
	Steve & Rita Maslansky	Babingtonite	China
/	Diana Mueller	Star Garnet	Brazil
	Steve & Rita Maslansky	Amazonite	Colorado
	Alyssa Donovan		
	Alyssa Donovan	Grossular-	Canada
	Steve & Rita Maslansky	Azurite on Malachite-	Morenci
	Yale-Stefan Nicolescu	Stephanite	
	GIA	World Class Diamonds	
	Bob Morgan	Epitaxy	

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54. Display of *Green Mountains Minerals* devoted to the 50-anniversary of the *Mineralogical Record*.

55 Display of Vienna Natural History Museum on **epidote** from Knappenwand, Austria.

56. Display of Geological Museum of Colorado School of Mines.

57. Display of NH-Museum/Smithsonian Institute devoted to Roebling and Canfield Collections.

Photo 54-60: Peter Modreski.

58. Display of META (Mineral Enthusiasts of the Tucson Area).







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59. Display of Rice Museum devoted to World Class Minerals.

60. Display of American Natural History Museum devoted to Bement Collection.

61. The GIA (Gemological Institute of America) museum exhibit "The Science Behind World-Class Diamonds", won two awards – one for the best educational exhibit, and the other for best museum case. The exhibit showcased research by GIA and the Carnegie Institute into many of the most famous and extraordinary diamonds, including the Cullinan and Koh-i-Noor, and the remarkable origin of the element boron that causes the blue color in diamonds like the Hope. Photo: GIA.

62. Leah Luten artwork. Photo: mindat.org.

63. A case of Arizona Mineral Minions showing specimens that, over time, were photographed and shown on the cover of the *Mineralogical Record*. Photo: Renato Pagano.

