



## Gem Facts & Fantasy

**Pearl:** Legends surrounding the origin of pearls have no doubt added to their desirability. In Roman times pearls were believed to be the end product of dew falling into open oyster shells at breeding time. Chinese mystics say that dragons are rain-makers, and that when they spit, some of the spittle is of pearls. And so, they conclude, rain and pearls fall when dragons fight in heaven. For its association with rain many Chinese believe the pearl to be an effective talisman against fire.

Thirteen century physicians treated ailments of the heart with medicines containing powdered pearl and in the 1500's these medicines were thought effective against poisoning. It has also been believed that pearl medicines cure the vomiting of blood and excessive menstruation, jaundice, relieves hemorrhoids and removes evil spirits from the minds of men. Lastly, the ladies of post renaissance France used finely ground pearl powder cosmetically, believing it greatly improved the texture and luster of the skin.

\*Reproduced from *The Power of Gemstones* by Raymond J.L. Walters

## Upcoming Shows

### Bristol Renaissance Faire

July 9<sup>th</sup> - September 5<sup>th</sup>

(weekends only, plus Labor Day)

*Please bring with you any jewelry bought from me for a free cleaning and inspection.*

### Sugarloaf Craft Fair, (Novi, MI)

NEW Convention Center

Oct. 21-23<sup>rd</sup> (Fri. - Sun.)

*\$1 off coupons at [www.sugarloafcrafts.com](http://www.sugarloafcrafts.com)*

### Autumn Festival

Nov. 17-20<sup>th</sup> (Thurs. - Sun.), Booth #300  
at the Odeum, Villa Park, IL (west Chicago suburb)

*\$1 off coupons at [www.hpifestivals.com](http://www.hpifestivals.com)*

**- Note to my California customers -**

***I hope to return to Walnut Creek Art Fair in September 2006***

## Paul Hapip Jewelry

## Gems of Antiquity

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What gemstone

**changes** from green

in daylight, to **pink**

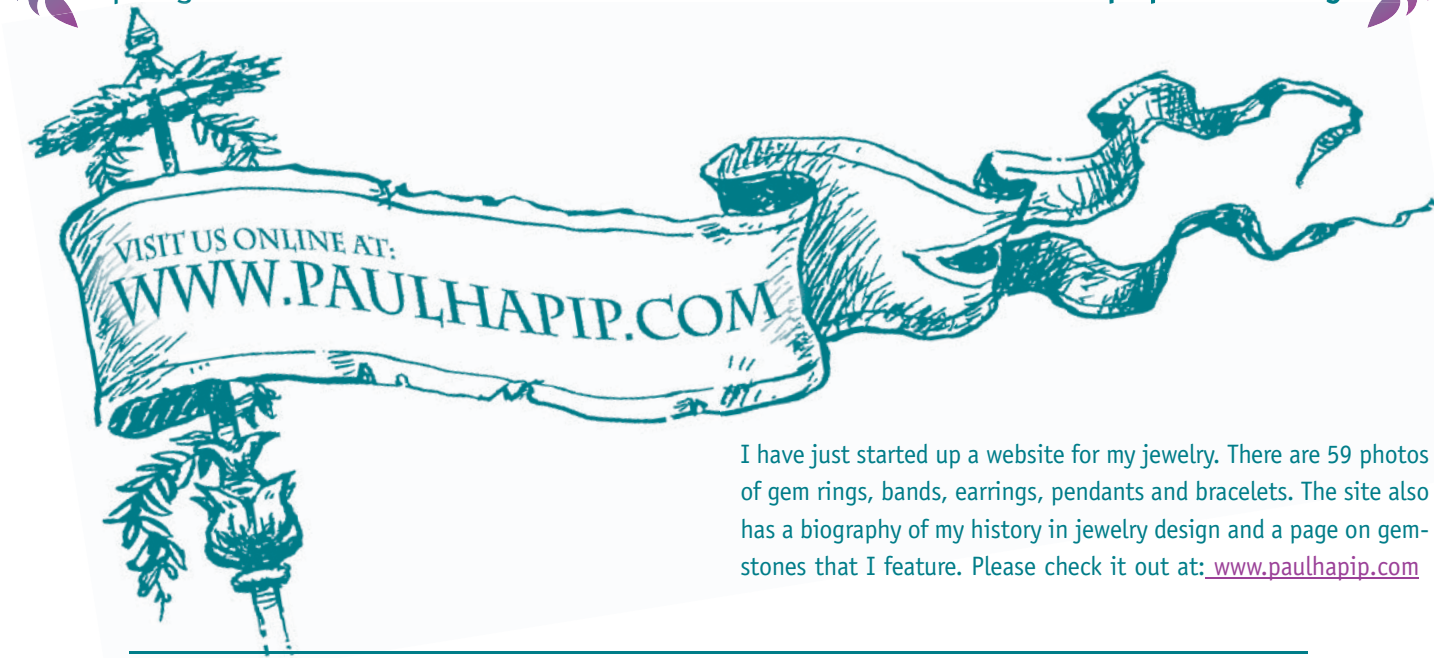
in lamplight?

# Gems of Antiquity



Spring 2005

Paul Hapip Jewelry



I have just started up a website for my jewelry. There are 59 photos of gem rings, bands, earrings, pendants and bracelets. The site also has a biography of my history in jewelry design and a page on gemstones that I feature. Please check it out at: [www.paulhapip.com](http://www.paulhapip.com)

## New Gem Finds!

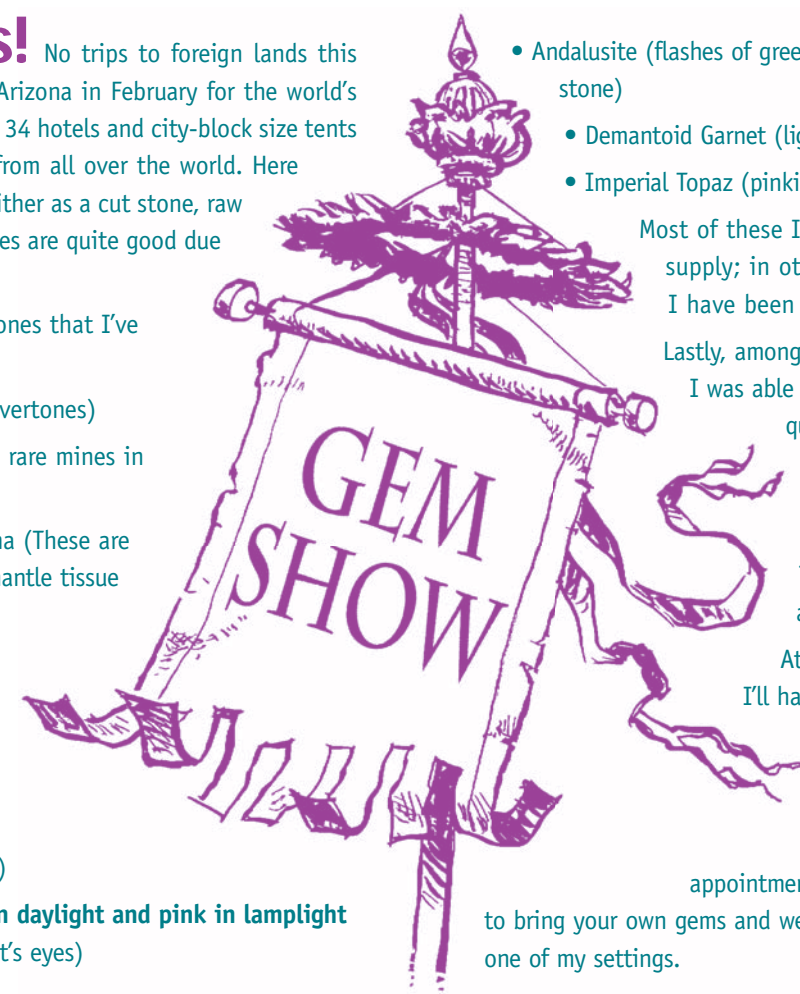
No trips to foreign lands this year. Instead I went to Tuscon, Arizona in February for the world's largest gem show. It now occupies 34 hotels and city-block size tents with almost 10,000 gem dealers from all over the world. Here every known gemstone is traded either as a cut stone, raw material or mineral specimen; prices are quite good due to intense competition.

I am premiering three new gemstones that I've never used before in my jewelry:

- 1) Kunzite (light pink with lilac overtones)
- 2) Black Jade (natural color; from rare mines in California and Arizona)
- 3) Large cultured pearls from China (These are grown from a tiny implant of mantle tissue and are 90% natural pearl.

Other great finds from Tuscon that I rarely carry:

- Padparascha (orangish-pink) and "Orchid" (deep violet) Sapphire
- Madagascar Ruby (deep pure red)
- **ALEXANDRITE**, which is **green in daylight and pink in lamplight** (both transparent and vibrant cat's eyes)



- Andalusite (flashes of green and orange within the stone)
- Demantoid Garnet (light green with lots of "fire")
- Imperial Topaz (pinkish orange)

Most of these I have in extremely short supply; in other years I have been unable to offer any.

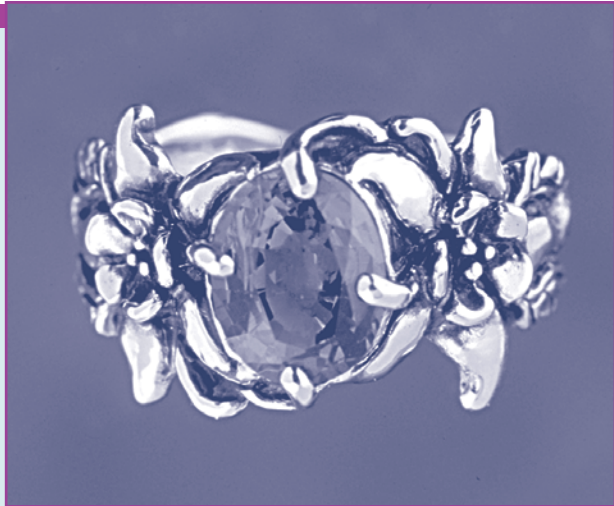
Lastly, among the gems I regularly carry, I was able to restock several in good qualities and significant quantities: Blue Zircon, Chrome Diopside (deep forest green), Peridot, Tanzanite, Iolite, Aquamarine and Opal Tiplets.

At the Renaissance Faire only I'll have a good selection of loose gems from which you can select to put in one of my designs; or you can see these at my studio by

appointment. Also, at any show, feel free

to bring your own gems and we can discuss putting it into one of my settings.





*Columbine flower ring from the 2002 collection.*

**New Designs!** I have had one of my most productive winters this year in coming up with new designs:

1) The Alpine Forget-Me-Not flower ring – a continuation of last year’s design collection inspired by the flowers of Italy.

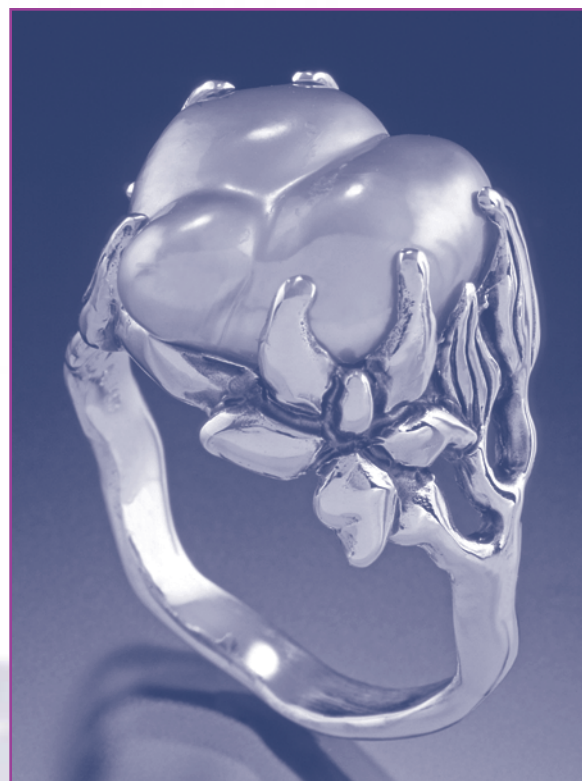
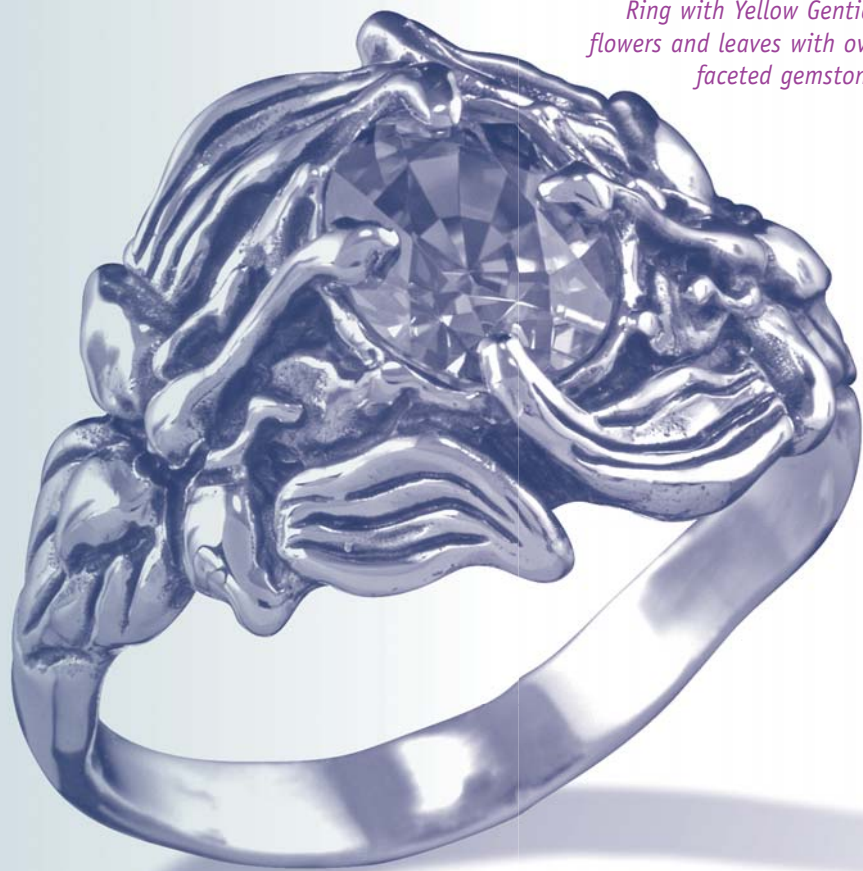
2) Two designs employing Yellow Gentian flowers and leaves (native to the upper Midwest, also known by its herbal name – Bitterroot): with small oval faceted gem and large round cabochon.

3) A three stone ring (Two rounds and one oval faceted gemstones) with Laurel (“Bay”) leaves. The newest version of this seldom seen ring was designed for a client as a “Mother’s Ring” with the birthstones of her three children.

4) Lastly, a new bracelet design inspired by my Columbine flower ring from the 2002 collection. This has 5 links with Columbine flowers surrounding oval faceted gemstones.

I would like to extend a special invitation to each and everyone of you to come and see my latest collections!

*Ring with Yellow Gentian flowers and leaves with oval faceted gemstone.*



*Yellow Gentian flower and leaves with large round cabochon gemstone.*

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*Bracelet with Columbine flowers and faceted gemstones.*



*Three-stone ring with Laurel leaves.*



*Ring with Alpine Forget-Me-Not flower and Philodendron leaves with small round gemstone.*