

FABRE MINERALS



SAINTE-MARIE-AUX-MINES (VIRTUAL)

22 - 27 June 2020



Beryl (variety bixbite) - Utah, USA

crystal: 1.6 x 1.3 cm



Cerussite with Malachite - Mammoth Mine, USA 4.7 x 3.4 x 3.2 cm



Elbaite - Bevaondrano, MADAGASCAR

5 x 2.5 x 2.3 cm

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Sainte Marie is not going to be celebrated this year and that hurts.

What do I do? Just feel sad regretting the misfortune? That is not my style... It will not be done physically? Ok, then we are going to do it virtually!

What does it take to make people feel comfortable and at ease in front of their screen on the days that the fair is held?: of course, minerals! Okay, I have them. And new discoveries? yes, I also have them.

What else?: Well, it would be nice if the people can see the minerals a little as if they were at the Show. What I am going to do is put alongside the images of the minerals many historical photos of Ste. Marie with the memories of the years I have been there.

And, what do people look for when they go to Ste. Marie? They aim to see many pieces of all prices, sizes and colors. So I am going to have to publish many pieces, luckily I have many... I am going to work with my web master and I am going to ask him to prepare an ultra-fast system so that I can upload many images of minerals and I can then upload them at any time so that, as in a normal Show, minerals appear everywhere and also it occurs to me that I am going to do it in a way that seems as if I were offering them in the same Fair!

Okay, I almost have it, but what about the exceptional pieces that are the hook of a great Show? Some I have... I am going to prepare a special page that looks like a kind of safe and I will put a few pieces of the 4-5 digits type in there and open it, to show them off!

Done, so when should I start the Show? In the "real" Ste. Marie I usually start to see pieces informally as early as Monday afternoon and from there on there are always things to see throughout the Fair until Sunday, which is the day for a stroll around and for closing. Well, to coincide with what happens there every year:

Non-stop Sainte-Marie Virtual, from Monday June 22 at 4:00 p.m. (Central European Time) to Saturday night 27







