

Treasures Over Time: Gems and Geology in Salem



Yesterday was sparkling cold and sunny so Sheila and I decided to drive up to Salem to visit [Treasures Over Time](#), one of the loveliest shops I've ever been in—and for someone whose favorite sport is shopping, that's saying a lot.

Founded by proprietors Nestor and Sivan Sergott, the shop, recently relocated to 139 Washington Street, features gems and geology: hand chosen, hand made decorative, home and office and jewelry items made by international artists and artisans from mineral materials all over the world.

As the Website explains, [Treasures Over Time is all about time. The hundreds of millions of years it took nature to present us with her gifts. Time brings diversity of form, color, texture, morphology, landscape and clues about ancient life into our lives.](#)



Serpentine
Vase

Some of my favorite pieces are made of serpentine—rock sculpted into useful objects, then fired at high temperatures, which brings out their colors.

We also loved the jewelry—and the



Pendant

fantastic collection of fossils, and rough mineral specimens, all beautifully displayed in the two-room store.

Full disclosure, Sivan's grandmother and mine were sisters; one reason for the trip was to discuss a show of photographs of rock formations I took on the South Coast of Australia—which, we agreed will happen sometime this Spring.

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