

# 3 Takeaways from the Adventure-Filled Tucson Shows



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When it comes to jewelry and gem shows, it doesn't get more eclectic—and in my opinion, fun—than the annual Tucson gem and jewelry shows, which wrapped up this week in the Arizona metropolis.

excerpt from the article.

Jewelry designer Elise Thompson was also taken aback by the increases. "Coming to the shows I knew that colored stone pricing increased, and that I would see even higher prices for rare materials," she said. "What I was not prepared for was the increased price of gemstone beads. Prices were up across the board, at every show, from every vendor. We had to literally dig and spend hours looking for beads that had quality up to our standards but were not overpriced...I hope the market corrects itself, because this is discouraging is this is the new norm."