

Cracking the State Rock of Iowa!

The Geode

Iowa's marvelous, mysterious, State Rock is composed of many different minerals, shapes, colors, and character. Many fluoresce and phosphoresce under ultraviolet / blacklight.

Saturday, January 31st from 9:30 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.

Denver Public Library

There will be an ultraviolet / blacklight display, demonstrations of different rocks, minerals, agates, geodes and fossils found in Iowa and other locations. We will be cracking open geodes, and everyone present will be able to pick out their own whole geode, have it cracked open and take it home. This event is free and open to all age groups including K-12 as well as us non-traditional Youthful Adults. Presentations by Glen Rocca (Geodes), Leon Herold (Lake Superior Agates), Doug Ganfield (UV Fluorescent Rocks), and Tom Blume (Fossils).



Crystals of quartz reflect from the partially hollow interior of this 8-inch diameter geode from the Warsaw Shale of southeastern Iowa.