Opal Cutting – Course Description/Supply List

(5 Weeks/ Limit – 5 Students)
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In this course, we will learn to cut opal in order to get the most out of the rough. We will start with Australian Opal (provided) to develop and demonstrate the cutting strategies. Once the basic concepts are understood, students may continue to cut the opal provided, purchase larger/higher quality rough available in class (from the Bill Mattis collection), or bring in rough from your own collection.

Prerequisite: One TLS Beginning Cabochon course
Recommended: Opals (Bill Mattis Course)

Supply List
• Optivisor (or similar magnification device)
• Super glue
• Fine point Sharpie
• Apron
• Towel
• Any opal rough you want to bring/discuss
• Materials fee: $15