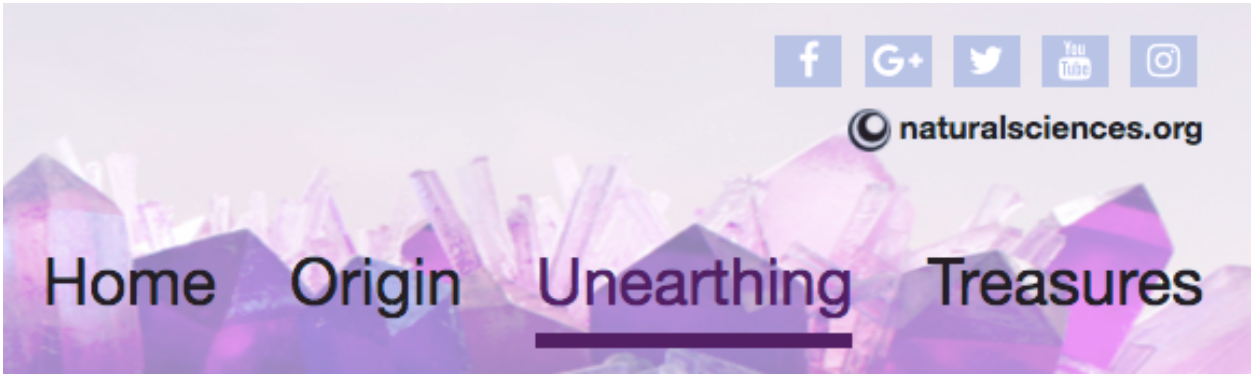
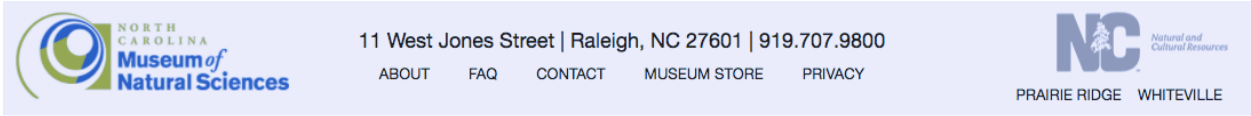


**About:** This project started with a trip to the North Carolina Museum of Natural Sciences. In the second floor breezeway are two glass cabinets containing several large mineral specimens and a sign labeled “Treasures Unearthed”. This display became the inspiration for an interactive web exhibit. In conjunction with Eloisa Docton and Sanchith Kuttappa, this exhibit came to life in four colorful and informative pages.



**Preparation:** Research into the North Carolina Museum of Natural Science’s current branding presented the case for clean design, with consistent styling that we wanted to fit with. The goal was to make the page feel both seamless and unique. We did this by choosing colors that diverge with the current sites branding, but keeping with the navigation style, icons, and general layout.



**Process:** The pages were split into three groups, with myself being responsible for finding images for all pages, coding the page navigation (header/footer), and creating the Origins page. Eloisa Docton created the branding and logo, picked the color scheme, and coded the Treasures page. Sanchith Kuttappa created the style guide, and coded the Home and Unearthing pages.

**The Map:** The Origins page is an interactive map where users can select a continent and see a scrolling slide show of the minerals mined in that location along with a more detailed map of the continent.



- Tools:**
- HTML5
  - SASS
  - CSS3
  - jQuery
  - Photoshop

**Additional Ideas:** While the results of this project were close to what we had planned from the outset, some content did not match the ideas in my head. If I were to expand on this exhibit site, I would expand the Unearthing page to show the history of mineral mining as a whole, and give more detail into how the various minerals are mined. I also think the site has room for adding a “gift shop” specific to the content and think that would be an interesting feature. Other interactive features such as coloring pages, identification games, and quizzes would make the page much more interesting and informative.

