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Dear Mr. Crabtree;--- Me?-- I'm just a guy that is interested in Indian Artifacts like Arrow Heads, and how they were made, and not knowing any other way to find out, I read what I could find and asked a lot of questions and finally found your article on Mesoamerican Prismatic Blades. Looks like you did quite a lot of research to come up with what you have and while I am in agreement with all that you say, I'd still like to see it done.

I can take a piece of plate glass cut to proper size and flake it off with a deer horn, until it makes a fair looking arrow head and would mount on an arrow and shoot with fair results, but this isn't what I'm looking for.

In your article, you refer to this crutch arrangement whereby you can put the deer horn on the obsidian and press down until you cause a chunk to flake off, which is later used to make the head. What arrow heads that I have seen, show long flaking back into the center of the blade, which to me, means that there must have been some other tool used other than what I can make from deer horn. There must have been a much better control than what I have too, since I have never been able to come close to the heads made by the Indian for looks; So there must be quite a bit about this arrow making that I do not know yet, but I'm still looking and would ask one question;--"Where can I see some one make an arrow head!" I don't seem to be able to get the right information from just reading about it... Can you, or will you help me???

Respectfully

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