

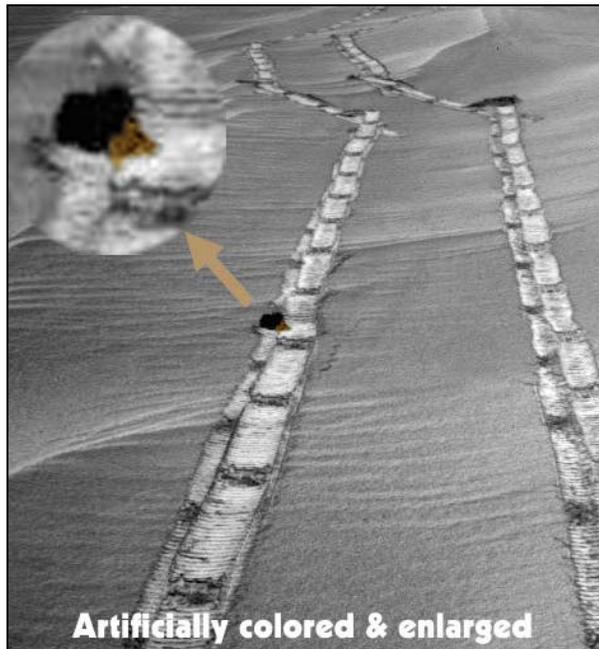


PIA13147: A POEM IN A NEW AGE OF DISCOVERY



*Opportunity lays two tire tracks on the Meridiani Planum,
when two Martians surface to see if it will gain them!
The red dirt of Mars is pushed away on either side,
as Opportunity makes its wild, 49-foot, southward ride!
A rover powered by battery and sun but never diesel,
when, behind the rover, pop goes the Martian weasel!
A Briton sends the image to Andy to see what he might find,
and Andy discovers a tiny Martian he calls "Trackenstein"!
Next to him, Andy finds a tiny humanoid, like a spider,
making the case for life on Mars smaller but wider!*

– Andrew D. Basiago



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