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Aloha Love Tribe,

So what are we all doing?

We're reducing hours for now to 11-5 and are not open Sundays and Mondays at our Point Richmond shop only, for now. Berkeley and Ashland are still open 7 days a week for now. Who knows we all might have a 2 week sabbatical soon.

But for now shopping **Outback is practically private shopping**. There are hours when no one comes in, then 1 or 2 people at a time. It's not like shopping at a packed grocery store.

Which is why even though more some of my staff is over 70, most are still wanting to be there. Though that may change. And as it does, so will we. For now they want to hold a peaceful LoveZone to ward off the fear virus spreading more rapidly then the coronavirus. As well as see our shops continue to operate and thrive.



Gail and Robin wearing Johnny Was silk reversible kimonos

A month ago Hsiao-Yee got to witness first hand how Taiwan stopped this outbreak in its tracks. The best example in the world. They still went out and led their normal lives. The economy didn't shut down and many people were on the streets. But they did wear masks (whether you believe they work or not, they made everyone feel more comfortable), had temperatures taken at the door (also making everyone more comfortable) of every establishment, washed and sanitized. And unlike our country Taiwan has a medical system that provided free masks and free testing. And they

were able to track and test and pretty much stop the virus spread even though they are closest to China.

Of course we can't do all of that, and we don't have a very functional government these days but while we are still open, I'm wondering how you all feel about thermometers (quick ear ones with disposable ear covers) taking temperatures at the door (tho please don't come in if you've got any cough even allergies) and we have hand sanitizer as you come in. We are sanitizing our counters, putting air purifiers (that removes 99.9 % of all gases and pathogens, bacteria and viruses) in the dressing room. Any other suggestions?

A bonus action ... 25% off all new spring!

How are we feeling?

I'm not feeling fearful and neither are most of us Outback.

It's not that we don't take the virus seriously, it's that we trust that life will continue to unfold in mysterious ways with all the small miracles that help us along the way. And using the skills we've developed over the years to stay present. As we are present to the clues, signs and gifts, those miracles come in more abundance. The miracle tree of life is filled with fruit, ready for picking. But our fears cloud our vision to see them and weaken our arms for picking. And this year it is particularly important to see and acknowledge miracles. Focus on what we want to become (unified in love), not overcome (isolated out of fear).

And WOW! Some big miracles that have already unfolded ... Blue skies in China! A big environmental re-boot. Then there are the gifts of sabbaticals, personal re-boots, and so many of us focusing on strengthening our immune systems. Doing what we know to do and learning more.

I'm excited to see what unfolds. This doesn't mean there isn't concern about how we will navigate this, the financial one as challenging as the virus for many of us. Yet, this is also a reboot needed on the planet. I'm sure many of you have been aware of the big shifts of 2020 predicted to happen for many years (it always seemed so far away!). A large disruption was predicted to happen with the end result being a more unified, aware and peaceful humanity. And the divisiveness we have witnessed escalating the last 5 years was part of the momentum leading to this disruption. I wrote a movie treatment 40 years ago with a film maker friend. There was an "outside" threat to humanity that was uniting everyone ... though I never saw what that threat was. Love and relationships in that treatment went beyond Hollywood romance to love of and within community, extending to a world community. I'm happy to have lived long enough to watch it unfold. Get out your popcorn!

Of course fear can be useful, to direct us in actions. That was what it was built for. But that was before 24/7 social media feeding us and amplifying the fears. This will be like the birth of my first daughter, it happened so quickly and so intensely that all I could do was scream until I got to the hospital and a nurse put her hand on my belly and after a moment said, stop screaming the contraction is over. And I did! And I was much more present for the next 15 minutes when she came out. So if or when you freak out, take a deep breath, be present and see if there is any action needed.

So, taking actions ... we can have those actions add to our lives, not subtract. For example, this is a time to master the Namaste greeting (the god(dess) in me sees the god(dess) in you), as you put your hands together with a slight bow. Hugs are fabulous, yet what an opportunity for us to learn and use this respectful greeting. Our "higher" selves acknowledging each others "higher" self.

Guard your mind from the fear virus. The fear will be growing over the next month. Yes, it's something to take seriously (and lightly at the same time) but definitely not stress over as that can be more dangerous than the virus.

This isn't the time to keep people weakened by fear, this is a time for people to wake up to who they are (Namaste!) and the power they wield. There are unlimited ways to die these days. When it's your time ... In the meantime trust in (...) and wash your hands. And lend a hand, call those in self-quarantine to check-in or drop something off, lend a compassionate ear and support smaller enterprises as opposed to large corporations.

We'd like everyone to feel more comfortable and we want to honor where every one is at with this. So please let us know your thoughts, suggestions, ideas and miracles.

**Be Fearless - Chose love - Wash Hands
and lend a hand!**

xoxo Devi

P.S. A Miracle Outback ... Thanks to those of you who have come in to make sure we were OK and to shop your support. Like David here. I happened to be in and he thank me for providing great dress shirts for him as well as basics, like he was wearing. Then his wife said, he was worried about us so said lets go Outback to shop. What a fab LoveTribe we have!! What a miracle!



Leanne and Heather in Inizio linen dresses (We have an abundance of separates and dresses)







Marjie in Moonlight tunic, jacket and pant, shown with red necklace, leather purse
 Yukiko in Moonlight tunic and pant with Bernie Mev shoes. And tunic with Memoi denim leggings

New Spring Ayala Bar Jewelry





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