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A message from us all Outback in our Temple of Love and Beauty *We miss you!*

We miss seeing you, talking, laughing, and sharing our talents as a stylist, a retail therapist and a friend. It nurtures us as much as it does you. We are all well, wish you health and look forward to seeing you again.

With love and respect: Hsiao-Yee, Rowan, Patricia, Miriam, Hillary, Leslie, Kelly, Clare, Gail, Beth, Yukiko, Tashina, Luna, Sally, Margot, Anjalisa, Yvonne, Sally, Marjie, Lynnea, Barbara, Karin and Devi
And our behind the scenes support, Robert, Shaye, Heather, Jose, Laura, Jim, John, Richard



Miriam, Tashina, Rowan, Kelly and Karin

P.S. Thanks for voting for us!

Voted: Best of the East Bay and Best of Ashland!

Our new online shop! OutbackInTheTempleOfVenus.com



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MARIA P GRAZIE

Hsiao-Yee, Robert and I have been putting up our Online Shop!! Many of you have been asking me to do this for years. This is what it takes to move mountains, stopping our other biz for now, to try this out!

What mountains is this beautiful looking virus moving for you? (it would make a fabulous jacquard knit if I was still designing fabrics and clothing. I might mix it with a transformational butterfly, the inside of a dark cocoon...

but I digress.)

Our Online Shop is off to a great start and we will be putting new items up every few days as we hone our skills. We will accept returns though would prefer as an exchange.

We are launching with an additional **25% off** to our LoveTribe

Discount Code: LoveTribe

If you don't find an item on our website, consider buying a gift certificate.

For now just email and let us know and we'll call for a card and mail you a certificate. As a thank-you we will add 10% in \$ to the certificate for your support right now. And of course your support is also a much appreciated encouragement and a (life) jacket for us ;)

Namaste LoveTribe,

*Together - We - One (and together we won)
(notice all the people now saying we are in this
together? Yep, it's happening)*

Bringing us the awareness of our interconnectedness. And the miracles that sustain us.



Shaye, Devi, Robert, Diva

One LoveTribe friend spoke of swinging from enJOYment, to despair depending on her pain level. Which I have heard from many others. In her case not getting the hip surgery she had scheduled, in others not getting their pain management treatments (like acupuncture and massage). But in all those cases there have been miracles. In her case, while her mobility decreases, her aid person still comes and she is sheltering in place with a beautiful, talented, fun and intelligent man and new housemate, having stimulating conversations. Way to go BR! Are you noticing your miracles?

This isn't to lesson our compassion for suffering ... OY! Yemen! Oh Syria! Or our own suffering. After noticing, feeling, acknowledging, (crying, screaming, laughing) maybe taking actions ... donate \$, pick up quarts of chicken soup from Sauls' (helping small biz) deliver to elders and differently abled friends (Jewish medicine), drop off food, water, chocolate at homeless encampments, call to cheer someone up (from *my* to do lists).



And then shine your light on the miracles and beauty in and of Life. Add a daily ritual like in Bali, putting together a beautiful offering with intentions for peace, love and wellness. Or smudge like Native People, clearing your personal space for the day. Light a candle. Dream. Love. breathe in breathe out

And how is Outback business faring? Many people don't realize that stores with seasonal merchandise are hit hardest. The middle of January through February are the lowest clothing sales time of the year. A time when the shops "spring" for spring merchandise ... stretching (using up, using credit) their lower than usual reserves. The sales usually start flowing the middle of March. And as we know, completely stopped this year. So we're all getting over the shock and getting on with new ways to do biz, negotiating expenses (dealing with sinking ships). The good news is, we are all in it together. And we are working things out together.

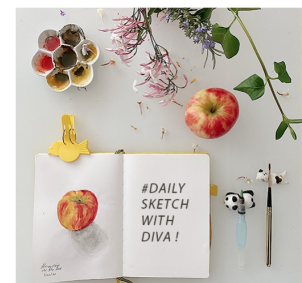
Besides working on the website, negotiating bills, taxes, 7 rents, 2 mortgages, etc, Grandpa and I have been spending much of our time with our handful of joy, Kobe, my 17 month grandson and mama Shaye. I have lot's of empathy for stir crazy kids and their parents! No help, no school, no kinder gym where you can relax while they bounce off the walls in a safe space with new friends, not playing with old friends either! And so hard for him to understand why he can't run up and give someone a hug.

We're all very joyful (most of the time) and happy to have each other and spend time together.

Mama Shaye has been doing some Instagram stories for the library that was about to open just as we shut down ... interesting, hmmm. See Instagram [Outback X Library](#). Check out her Coviding Fashion and How it works, videos.

Check out my other daughter Diva's [linea-carta](#) site for updates on joining Diva's zoom class
A sketch a day with Diva.

We don't seem to suffer over our suffering. What a blessing and many years of practice being present.



As Thich Nhat Hanh said, Breathe in peace ... breathe out a smile.
Ahhhhhhh.... ;)
AND, on your walks you might try another suggestion of his:

Walk in a way that we only print peace and serenity on the Earth. Walk as if you are kissing the Earth with your feet.

Be Fearless - Choose Love - Wash Hands- Breathe deeply enJOY

xoxo Devi (explorer of silver linings and beautiful skies)



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