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## Dear Bay Area LoveTribe ...

If I had more time, this message would be shorter! Part 1. store openings. Part 2. Specials and Part 3. "Resolute Together" actions.

Yeah! We're opening our Pt Richmond Temple/Shop for 3 days this week, (tomorrow) Thursday, Friday and Saturday.12-4ish

As far as the Berkeley shop we are getting mixed messages whether or not we can open. We'll let you know when we know.

Outback X Library, our clothing and accessory private library (membership), plus re-sale and vintage shop, will open next week, though their may be a chance to peruse it while visiting the Point these few days were open. We will be putting more emphasis on liquidating then the library at this point, but we'd like to hear your input. Should we continue with the Library aspect during these times? These times definitely call for new models but not sure about sharing clothing? Though of course they would be cleaned before each sharing.

Our Ashland Temple/Shop will continue to be open Wed-Sat 12-6 It's been a joy for all to be back in our Temple/Shop this last month.

We are having Liquidation Sales through the Summer as we lost a few months of sales this season. And we had a couple of thousand pieces come in for Spring/Summer just before closing as well as honoring orders from small venders still coming in. So we need to liquidate to pay invoices and merchandise put on credit. We will evaluate if it makes sense to stay open after the summer in all our shops.

### Protocols for opening:

- Everyone will wear masks and hand sanitize when entering with hand sanitizer or disposable gloves (provided).
- We have air purifiers purported to remove viruses in the dressing room, and one in the main room, and we are limiting the number of people at a time so each has their own space to physical distance approx 6+ft. Everyone please honor each other's space.
- We will be putting clothing that has been tried on but not purchased, away, and then steamed (sanitizing) before they get put back out. Even though the CDC says that it is highly unlikely for clothing to hold or pass the virus.
- And we will be frequently wiping down high traffic surfaces and washing our hands regularly.
- We will have signs, as well as alerting people, to physical distance, wear a
  mask, use hand sanitizer. Essentially keeping everyone conscious of
  making it a safe space for all.

This weeks specials honor Father's day and the hotter weather.

- Men's shirts 30% off
- Dresses and skirts 30%
- 25% off everything else except \$10-38 and 1/2 off racks

The public is getting 20% off so mention LoveTribe to receive this offer

# And our online shop is still open

OutbackInTheTempleOfVenus.com

#### **Discount Codes:**

LoveTribe25 (for 25% off everything)
Father30 (for 30% off "Men's" shirts)

Remember to enter the code when checking out (and if you forget email us)

All orders are returnable and/or exchangeable. They are packed using sanitation procedures.



Citron Mens (for all)



Luchino Visconti



Eight X

Thanks Marjie, Sylvia and Leslie for modeling! And Hsiao-Yee for photos!







100% Cotton tie dye Dress



100% Linen Dress



Linen top and Viscose (rayon) skirt



Linen top & Viscose skirt

### Namaste LoveTribe,

Wow! Times they are a changing! Yes, it's bringing many (all?) of us to our edges, and to our knees! (see <a href="#">#TakeTwoKnees</a> challenge and Anthony McGill's beautiful rendition of America the Beautiful)

And Yes, it is time (overdue!) for so many things to change.

 Pot became legal just in time for many to make their shelter in place and/or their pain more tolerable.



Gail (pictured) is in the house **Thurs**.

• Meditation now commonplace, with Hsiao-Yee **Fri**. Clare and Hsiao-Yee supports this sheltering time as a "Vipassana retreat" (awareness meditation retreat).

- LGBTQ marriages all of a sudden looking normal and the "queer eye" being appreciated even in "red" states. And now Civil rights document expanded to include LGBTQ.
- The #MeToo movement bringing awareness, and accountability and women in record numbers together saying enough!

And now finally a collective outrage for the outrageous disrespect and treatment of our black community that has sparked a worldwide revolution of people around the world chanting, writing, painting LARGE on streets (leading to the WHITE House!) Black Lives Matter and putting their money, resources and energy where their mouth is. May this wave knock down, their lockdown, like the Berlin Wall coming down ... FAST! (that cadence inspired by Black poetry). And the black community rise with all their collective strength gained by surviving these inequities enhanced by our collective retribution and (privileged) support.

Some of the things arising Outback.

- Our Ashland shop has generated a contribution of \$700 to Black Lives Matter and we were thrilled to see 2000 people in that small towns' park coming out to protest, to be Resolute Together.
- Pt Richmond Shop is opening this week and we'd like the percentage of sales from these 3 days in honor of Father's Day, BLM to go to and honor Steve Hurst. Steve a local "father" of our community has used his talents to unify the arts community bringing vibrancy to the Point. Steve is a black, gay, artist three pluses for many of us, yet three things to overcome in our old (changing) world view. A bicycle accident in July 2018 left Steve disabled and challenged with severe, debilitating pain. "Art clocks were my livelihood before the accident, The monthly cost of medical supplies and a ridiculous utility bill averaging 200/mo make it difficult to buy studio supplies." Steve says.
- Next week we will open the Berkeley Shop and will have another way to contribute then.

Right now these one time donations from the shops are tithing from sales not profit as we are not yet out of the debt created by this pandemic. But our ongoing tithing will begin again as we rise again.

Outback had for many years, monthly projects, a couple of favorite examples which we may do again in new versions:

• BBQ parties for the homeless, with a Jazz blues band, to all dance together, while our local guys in rehab did the cooking and serving as we also handed out blankets, clothing, etc. that we had gathered from the community.

 We worked with the non-profit organization, Youth at Risk, developing an award winning (for its effectiveness) program which included training them in serving the community, and creating awareness, fun, musical, dance, comedy fashion shows.

I've heard many beautiful stories of the repercussions of our many supportive and fun projects over the years. We have some things brewing in the changing of our structure and look forward to sharing them with you. In the meantime if you'd like to propose an event or project let us know.

We hope to see some of our beloved Bay Area community at the Point this soft 3 day opening!

xoxo Devi, Gail, Hsiao-Yee, Clare and Yvonne

**Online** 

30% off Mens Shirts

25% off EVERYTHING ELSE

In shop same plus 30% off Dresses and skirts

and 50% off Inizio linen

CODE: Father30

**CODE: LOVETRIBE25** 

Password: LoveTribe

Offer Expires:June 22