

Stephanie Selvaggio

Companies: MillieBea's

The Woodbridge Gypsy Den & Tea Room

Expertise: Marketing | Fashion | Culinary

Northwood University Alumna

After graduating Northwood, Stephanie Selvaggio moved to New York & received her AA in fashion design at Parsons School of Design. Directly following, she moved to Southern California where she worked in the surf industry developing products, designing, & styling clothing for Rusty. After 3 years of bi-coastal inspiration, she had ideas for her own business & moved back to Detroit to begin.

She opened a small, indie business, milliebeasvintage.com, selling vintage & repurposed clothing, accessories, & all natural body products. Stephanie's company, MillieBea's, started online & now her products are sold in shops around town as well. The mission behind MillieBea's is to reduce post-consumer refuse & pre-consumer waste by choosing second hand clothing & to reduce toxicity in the body by using all natural products. A portion of sales is given back to the community through a different non-profit each season.

Her fervor to learn more about humanity, food & the body drew her to yoga, veganism & activism. These ideas breed community & compassion for all living things & shaped her current project. The Woodbridge Gypsy Den & Tea Room (detroitgypsyden.com) brings the idea of sustainable lifestyle full circle. Her mission is to provide clean, natural locally-sourced, vegan food & drinks in a cafe setting as well as free cooking demonstrations, classes & health events; A hub for wellness, culture, sustainability & community.