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Deimate Praškevičiūtė. 27 years old life style entrepreneur.

Deimante lived in Rukla and Jonava. Her mother was working as an event manager, so Deimante was participating and volunteering in many events in local societies. Deimante was volunteering during school years, as well during college period. Even the final work for bachelor degree was on topic "The influence of volunteers in the department of culture of Kaunas city municipality". After Kaunas college, where she graduated as manager in culture, she decided to go to London in September 2017 for 6 months. She wanted to try herself in the new society, to search for a new teachers, a new way of



life. In London she met different people and societies. After 6 months in 2018 she came back to Lithuania.

Deimante likes to draw. Henna tattoo started at 2014 summer just for herself and her friends.

2017-11-20 in London she met teacher of henna tattoos and has graduated a short

course in these tattoos.

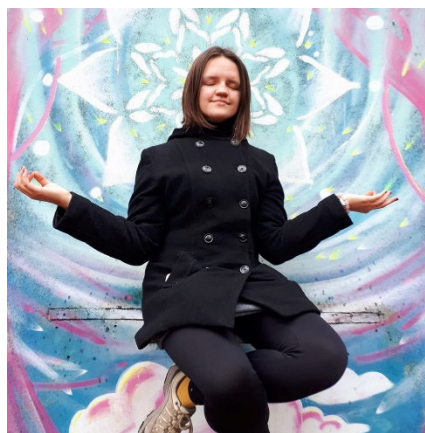
HOW DEIMANTE STARTED HER LIFESTYLE BUSINESS

She came back to Lithuania in 2018 May with new idea – to become a life style entrepreneur. Hobby started from school bench. During the lessons she was drawing beautiful patterns in the margins of the notebook. Deimante was searching for drawing ideas in the internet. In search of the inspiration on the Internet, she encountered henna tattoo paintings. “Since it was a shame to carry the teacher with a booklet, I found a separate notebook that later became my first sketch catalogue”. She has been studying the art of Mehndi - henna tattoo for more than seven years.

Deimantė travels a lot around Lithuania in summer 2019. She participates in charity events to raise funds for noble works, teaches others, spreads good mood and joy around herself. She often goes to spiritual events and festivals, where she draws just for the sacrifice. "It's a very good way of self-esteem, because you see how much you deserve. And you don't have to waste your creative time giving up your return", laughs the girl.

She is also happy to collaborate with Lithuanian University of Health Sciences Clinic in Kaunas, where she is going to decorate the patients of the oncology and haematology children and adults section. She says that such meetings give her joy and love.

The women there are experiencing the greatest hardships, some not once. They look to the back doors of life and laugh. They inspire to enjoy the simple things: hair, eyelashes, eyebrows and their body. They have that magical relationship that only develops along with the difficulties of life, says Deimante, and she feels grateful to them for struggling, giving up, and continuing to make this world even more beautiful.



HOW DEIMANTE DEVELOPED HER LIFESTYLE BUSINESS

As soon as she discovered beautiful ornaments, she discovered how to make paint herself. Henna herbs coming to Lithuania are not designed for painting on the body. That is why Deimante started producing good quality and natural paint.

Deimante doesn't think that she is an artist and doesn't like to name herself a master of the henna tattoo because there are many henna masters in the world hundreds of times better than she is. It is a very old, deep tradition and ecological way to decorate the bodies. In addition, most of all, Deimante is delighted by the people's reaction when they see the paintings they asked for painted.

Everyone can see her works on Facebook (Henna tattoo by Deimante) and Instagram (Henna_by_Deimante).

The most worth and important her works were presented at the exhibition opened at Jonava Culture Center on 2019-07-04. The dearest ones are the ones you give the most of yourself, which put the most difficult task of drawing them. These are such works that "drives you and model".

Every drawing and every challenge are the greatest teachers to Deimante. First, it teaches concentration and then she learns from her mistakes.

This May Deimante presented three of models on stage at the Kaunas Days event. One of them was a person whom she drew a full arm in Tibet style. It took about 6 hours to do this.

Deimante is always learning. Few months ago, she has completed a henna erotic course and she is a certified specialist in this new field. These drawings, embellishing the entire body of the woman, emphasize her feminine lines and enchant the eyes of men. The sessions of such drawings start from 4 hours and require not only many masters but also the endurance of the model.



WHAT ARE DEIMANTES' PLANS FOR FUTURE

Deimante loves traveling, loves different people and their cultures. She came back to Lithuania because she had hope to find peace. Even in Lithuania, she has been traveling, meeting people, volunteering and organizing events during those years. Deimante is still in search of her own way of life. She is sure that Mehndi (henna tattoos) is not her last stop. Everyone needs to find himself and be happy at everyday work. Deimantes credo. **“To go with my open heart through life”.**

We wish good luck for Deimantė!

If you are interested in learning more about Deimantė' lifestyle business, you may visit a Facebook profile “Chna tatto by Deimante”

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