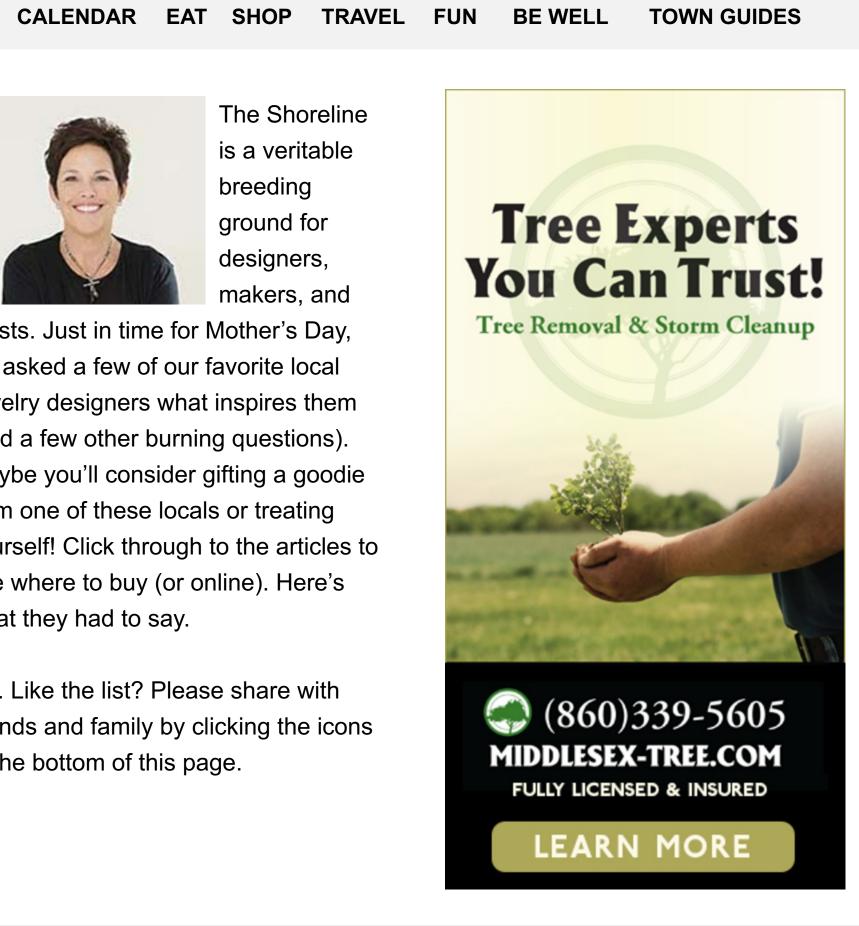


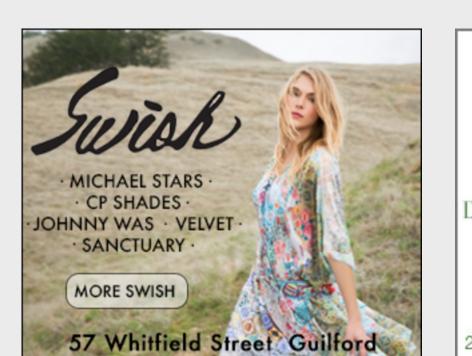
An Excruciatingly Opinionated Guide to the Connecticut Shoreline



ground for designers, makers, and artists. Just in time for Mother's Day, we asked a few of our favorite local jewelry designers what inspires them (and a few other burning questions). Maybe you'll consider gifting a goodie from one of these locals or treating yourself! Click through to the articles to see where to buy (or online). Here's what they had to say.

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Kelley Solomon of Aquinnah Jewelry Design, Killingworth We've been closely following the explosion of Aquinnah in recent years. Her accessible pricing, on-trend collections, and devotion to philanthropy make Kelley a designer to

13 Questions for Kelley Solomon





Dina Varano, Chester A bench-trained silversmith, Dina's classic yet contemporary works in sterling and gold are easy to spot on the women of the Shoreline. Each piece is a work of art in miniature, inspired by the natural world, and according to Dina "articulated to create a harmonious balance with the body it adorns!".

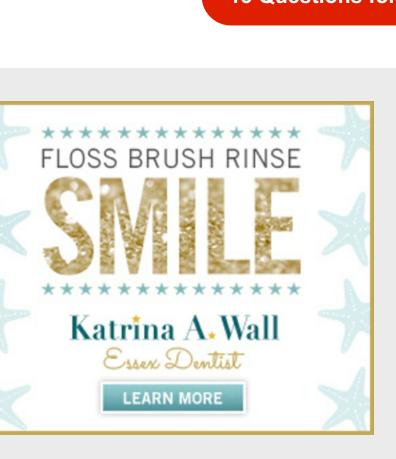


13 Questions of Dina Varano



Susan Roberts, Branford Spring seems the perfect season for layering on Suzie's handmade beaded chains and bracelets, crafted from semi-precious stones, beads, and

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Ann Lightfoot, Lyme Since her first piece, created out of a jade medallion found in a Shanghai antique market, Ann Lightfoot continues to be influenced by her travels, and sources her materials worldwide. Her unique look is coveted on the Shoreline for its modern, bold, yet feminine statement.



13 Questions for Ann Lightfoot







Mandy Carroll of Leiva Jewelry, Centerbrook Mandy's delicate and natural gemstones and diamonds, mounted in sterling and gold have been gracing the ears, necks, and fingers of the women of the Shoreline since Lori Warner opened her eponymous

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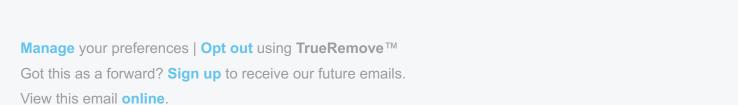
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