



DISCOVERY MODE

Meet Alana Tang, owner of In The Comfort Of which opened in Seattle in 2022. With a penchant for modernist, mid-century and space-age finds sourced everywhere from estate sales and antique malls to private owners throughout the Pacific Northwest, Tang still can't turn away contemporary pieces if they meet her standards. "I consider design, form and function in everything I buy," Tang says. "I was offered a lounge chair and ottoman set by Naoto Fukasawa for B&B Italia, and while I mainly focus on vintage, it checked all the boxes so I had to have it." As for the current landscape today, Tang is excited by the adventurous spirit many are taking in finding their style, and by watching clients put things together in ways she never would have thought to. inthecomfortof.com

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HAPPY HANGOUT

Step inside The Flat in downtown Westport, Connecticut, and you'll feel as though you're walking into the home of a chic friend. That was precisely the goal when Becky Goss opened the doors in 2016. She imagined a place to interact with customers and share stories of the treasures within. "I still believe in local, one-of-a-kind shops where you know the owner," Goss says. "Stop in, see what's new, have a conversation and get off your screen!" In the highly curated familial space, not one specific period or style dominates. Because after all, a good room is all about thoughtful layering. "I'm not afraid to take vintage or antique items and reimagine them for the modern home." Case in point: the one-off mid-19th century Biedermeier Recamier reupholstered in a bold Robert Kime fabric (pictured). theflatwestport.com