



Talk about creative entrepreneurship!

Lowcountry residents Kayla Derrick and her fiancé Matt Devito – co-owners of the jewelry company circa1910 – spent the past year and a half renovating and fully restoring a 1985 Chevrolet minibus – turning it into a full-blown store. They installed hardwood floors, built in cabinets and concrete style counter tops, along with reinventing countless cast-aside vintage furniture pieces into displays.

“Seventy percent of our bus is created with materials that were once considered trash,” says Kayla. “A driftwood tree turned up by Hurricane Matthew, bathroom cabinets taken from a house being renovated on Fripp Island, a table created from an antique door with added birch branch legs, a bench made from wood I found in a trash pile, a sales counter crafted from an old weathered door with a countertop again made out of wood from a trash pile, an antique yarn drying rack that we turned into a shelving unit, antique porch posts from an 1870s house found right here in Beaufort, and so much more all dwell inside our vintage bus. The bus itself was fairly run-down and filthy when we picked it up but is now a whimsical little store with a high-end feel.”

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