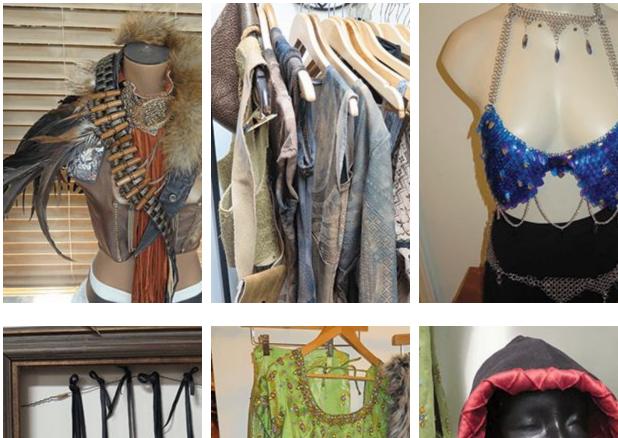
Royal Peasantry

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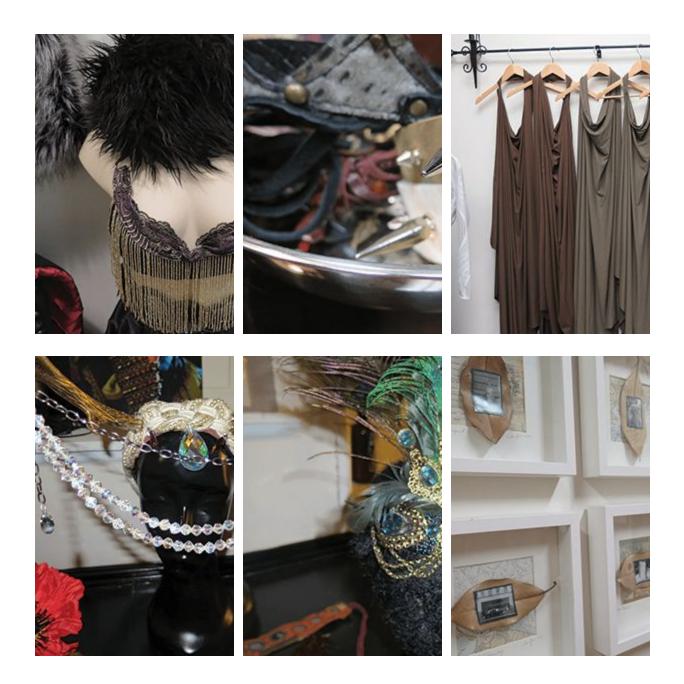


Fashion is an ever-changing living thing. It morphs and mates just like biology and, if we are lucky, it adopts characteristics from the past and far away places, making it a beautiful tapestry of time and culture. Occasionally you stroll into a boutique and find yourself both tumbling into the future and falling back into the past. Royal Peasantry is one of those places. Daniella Miller started her first spot in Asheville years ago and, now, Charlotte is lucky to be home to location number two (and probably not the final) right in the heart of Plaza-Midwood.

Miller, a designer herself, is behind the machine. While wrassling product development and the bulk of the sourcing, she handpicks goods from craftspeople to bring her customers handmade headdresses, holsters, belts, vests, dresses, and many other one-of-a-kind pieces, while providing a platform for a handful of local artists (including, but not limited to, our own Collette Ellis). There are leather goods, animal fur adornments, and wonderfully, decadent accessories throughout the space. A bonus is that you always get a bottle of complimentary body oil (made by Miller) with each purchase. It smells of amber, wood, and intelligent purchasing decisions. The Royal Peasantry brand can be described as eco-luxury, as it saves otherwise discarded scraps and gems including them in each repurposing. Even if you don't have a dragon to battle or a Viking wedding to plan, there are some amazing treasures and must-haves to be found at Royal Peasantry. Overwhelmed with her pride in market demand and customer satistifaction, Miller doesn't just have her doors open for that impluse buy. She is willing to supply all of your wadrobe needs backed by a skilled team. You can get outfitted like nobility on the budget of the lower caste. Go see them today and expect follow ups on all aforementioned folks.









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