

3rd FLOOR

Meet the Team



Teamwork makes the dreamwork

"Choose a job you love and you will never have to work a day in your life!"

DESIGNER

Eleni Papastavrou

Born and raised in Athens, Greece, I fell in love with fashion and everything fashion related at a very young age as my mother, a professional seamstress, initiated me to the wonderful world of creating.

I also love challenges, my dog Tom (aka 3rd Floors' mascot) and travelling to faraway places. Such trips can very well change one's life, as did mine, after a (12 year) trip to Kenya.

It is said often said, that you start off for somewhere but wind up somewhere else. Well, that about sums it for me. Even though I had all my business plans well laid out (or so I thought), living amongst the tribes of Maasai and Kikuyu changed everything. I soon embraced their belief that the secret of happiness is working with your hands and it took but once for me to begin a new chapter in my life. On a handcrafted, wooden table next to these people who make a living off what their hands create, I too, crafted my first piece of jewellery and... I haven't stopped since. 2013, my new (and everlasting) love resulted in the foundation of 3rd Floor Jewels.



"You can mimic the result but not the creativity behind it."

CRAFTSMAN

Konstantinos Samiotis

I'm Kostas!

As a child, my greatest love was one for cars. Especially race cars! The speed, the adrenalin rush, was something simply mesmerizing. That, of course, until something completely different, with absolutely no suspense or even an iota of adrenalin, won me over! You know what that was? The art of jewellery making!

I started out as an assistant in a small silversmith workshop. That was followed by 24 years as an artisan for a jewellery manufacturer. There, not only did I learn how to master gold and metals but I also mastered the true art and techniques of handmade jewellery. Today, I am here. Member of a tight and absolutely creative team, which has its own unique way of re-defining the art of handcrafted jewellery! And I couldn't be happier!



"To create is to live twice!"

STONE SETTER

Giannis Tsogas

I'm Giannis!

My relationship with jewellery making is one filled with love, that begins many years ago. I have been making jewellery for 35 years now and have tried many different techniques. But due to my love for precious and semi-precious stones, diamonds, setting, using the



semiprecious stones, diamond setting was the technique that stole my heart.

After following 3rd Floor for so many years, I was lucky enough to finally come and work at them too. One post on social media, was my chance to become a member of their highly creative team and play my part in the unique jewellery that they create!



"Real happiness lies in the pleasure of doing something well!"



CHEMIST IN CHARGE
OF METAL PLATING

George Mengakis

I'm Giorgos!

As an essential member of the 3rd Floor team and in charge of the plating process, I spend hours in the plating lab, to achieve the perfect look and shine of each piece of jewellery.

I arrived at 3rd Floor in the Spring of 2019, after a long road with many stops. Always restless and hard-working, I studied and worked as a dental technician for many years, dove into the production of traditional Greek products, until my path took a turn and led me to jewellery manufacturing. I immediately plunged into the field of metal plating - a new department for 3rd Floor at that time- and by showing a lot of passion and desire to learn, I now work in something that I love!

"Creativity is not a hobby, it's a way of life!"

PRODUCT
MANUFACTURING
MANAGER

Andriola Todri

I am Andra!

A true lover of metals, aesthetics and everything unique! Ever since I can remember myself, I was always holding some kind of jewellery. A broken necklace my mother didn't wear anymore, a pair of earrings which had long been out of style, a bracelet with a broken buckle... And I would spend hours upon end, trying to figure out how I can fix them, or better yet, if I could turn them into something else.

I am quite confident that my choice of career was evident since then. As I truly believe that when you want to achieve something, and you want it with all your heart, then you will definitely make it happen. As was the case with me, when I was given the opportunity to join 3rd Floor's team. A successful and tight-knit team, which not only embraced me from day one but (to this day) teaches and shares with me, all of the secrets of the art of handmade jewellery!



"It is good for our soul to create with our hands!"

METAL PROCESSING

ROZA BEGALLA



I'm Roza!

Not Smyrna's, but 3rd Floor's! My story, more or less, begins with the foundation of 3rd Floor, when my minimal experience in handmade jewellery (back then, more of a hobby than anything else) brought me to the company's doorstep which, in turn, lead me to its workshop, where you will find me up to this very day!

Here, as a proud member of a team which resembles the links of a chain, interlocked and with absolute cohesion, my hobby has turned profession, and the art of handmade has become a life time love!

"Creativity never ends: the more you use, the more you'll have!"

ASSISTANT
CRAFTSWOMAN

Maria Hadjisava



I'm Maria!

I was born and raised in Cyprus and have been around arts since I can remember myself! Since the early age of 3, I loved crafts and art and soon started "playing around" with DIY jewellery projects.

My passion for jewellery continued as I grew up, so I decided to study it. I went to London for 3 years, where I studied Fashion Jewellery.

Looking for a change of scenery after my degree, I found myself researching Greek brands, which then led me to 3rd Floor!

This decision allowed me to become a member of a wonderful team that welcomed me and help me learn and grow every day!



"Live is the moment we're living right now!"



SHOP MANAGER AND
OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR

Paulina Garmpi

Hi! I'm Pavlina!

My professional career began with a degree in Business Administration. A decision which at the age of 17 seemed sensible, and now makes me wonder what, in fact, was so sensible about it!

A free spirit at heart with no room for stereotypes, a vibrant character with an immense passion for life, a bit on the stubborn side of seeing immediate results in everything, as soon as I graduated, I knew that I was meant to be in another line of work. And so, I decided to go back to school, this time, to study the art of handmade jewellery. An art, which to this day is one of my life's greatest loves!

An art, which in turn, brought me to 3rd Floor. Here, any and all doubts have vanished, my creativity can freely be expressed and my spirit is constantly "fed" with new handmade experiences!

"We must do today, what the others will do tomorrow."

CONTENT
& ESHOP
MANAGER

Maro Kakali

I'm Maro!

Always restless and creative mind, my constant thirst for new knowledge and experiences, has taken me to different, unexpected paths.

I graduated from Law School. I never felt that I could fit inside the courtroom though, thus I started exploring new - and more creative - paths; crochet, faux bijoux, social media, creative writing. The world of handmade and its presence in the world of commerce, won me over.

And all these separate paths, magically led me to 3rd Floor and made a member of a fantastic team, that is constantly giving me the knowledge and experiences that I always longed for!



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