

## Three Lithuanian designers will present their creations at New York Fashion Week



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On September 8, a group fashion show, "When the Worlds Collide", will take place during New York Fashion Week. It was initiated and organized by Dovilė Riebschlager, a Lithuanian designer from the US, who invited four other designers. Two of them also have Lithuanian roots. Kristina Čeponienė explains:

The project is global, but even the organizer herself was pleasantly surprised to realize that three of the five creators participating in this event are of Lithuanian origin.

Dovilė Riebschlagė – was born, studied and worked in Lithuania. Currently she lives in Chicago (US). She has published a book about a sustainable approach to fashion in English. "Fashion must be sustainable and comfortable. If the designed clothes are not suitable for wearing, it is not fashion", said Dovilė.

Goda "Freyja" Latvys is a second-generation Lithuanian born in the US. During a trip to Hawaii, he started creating macrame style clothes and accessories. According to Goda, her clothes are for those who feel "untouched" by society's standards and want to reveal their original, wild nature.



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A second-generation Lithuanian, Prof. Dr. Audrius Plioplys, was born in Toronto, Canada, and currently lives in Chicago. He maintains close ties with Lithuania. He is a neuroscientist and an artist who has successfully combined both fields in his artistic projects.

"I am artistically exploring the origins of thinking, of consciousness. How is it that we are aware of ourselves, of others? How is it that social interactions, culture, and civilizations arise? Basically, what is it that makes us human? My NeuroArt silk scarves are the latest expression of my artistic explorations," he said.

All three creators are very different in their experiences and modes of self-expression. However, even in the competitive fashion world, the invisible but palpable "Lithuanian gene" does its job - it brings together and unites Lithuanians in any part of the world.



Macrame dress by Goda "Freyja" Latvys



Silk NeuroArt by Prof. Dr. Audrius Plioplys



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