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## NYLEVE HENRY

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Los Angeles, CA

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Fashion Designer / Climate Activist

Single / No Kids

She/Her

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## About

**Nyleve Henry** is a multi-faceted pioneer, climate change activist, supply chain expert, and fashion designer. She is a natural trailblazer who has made it her life's work to promote sustainability and climate change awareness in various industries. She has used discarded Home Depot piping, old cardboard, trash, aluminum, wire, and more – all with the intention of reducing waste and promoting a greener future in the fashion industry. From her TEDx Talk to her wardrobe rental company and her other conscious initiatives, Nyleve is poised to bring awareness to climate issues through all her endeavors.

## Story

- > Nyleve is a Los Angeles native whose journey into community upkeep stemmed from her mother. Her mom was a cultural events director who often brought young Nyleve into the mix for community events and outreach. Her dad, who was from Jamaica, was never really in the picture, so Nyleve mostly was raised by her mother. She started doing fun arts and crafts projects with her mom, which happened to include some clothing construction. This sparked Nyleve's initial curiosity into the world of fashion.
- > She would go on to attend California State Polytechnic University where she earned a degree in Food Marketing & Agricultural Business Management. Since graduating, Nyleve has worked for more than 12 years as a supply chain specialist in the grocery industry for companies like Albertsobs and Nestle. Through her work in the industry, she has helped these companies significantly reduce the amount of excess inventory that ends up in landfills. In fact, Nyleve is so passionate about sustainability that she even released a TEDx Talk called, "Green Business: The Path to Zero Carbon Capitalism."
- > While she was spending her professional life promoting sustainability, she started wondering how she could morph her own carbon footprint at home. This is where being a conscious consumer came into play – and she realized how much clothing people discarded prematurely. Nyleve began to utilize thrifted items she found at shops and secondhand markets to create new outfits for herself. One thing led to another and Nyleve was soon running a small showroom out of her home, geared towards stylists and artists. They could rent Nyleve's design made from recycled textiles for various projects.
- > Nyleve has had pieces worn by celebrities like Jhene Aiko, Beyonce, Kelly Rowland, Meghan Trainor, Megan Thee Stallion, and many more. Her brand, NyLaurent, always incorporates unconventional techniques and materials, while simultaneously embodying the vibrant essence of bespoke avant-garde editorial fashion.
- > Nyleve feels that the general public often struggles to grasp the value of creativity and the meticulous journey of garment creation. This gap has led to the widespread issue of disposable fast fashion, which is contributing to pollution in the environment and the depletion of resources necessary for human sustenance. As a climate change activist, Nyleve is currently faced with the challenge of getting people to wake up to the fact that excessive consumerism is directly related to the acceleration of climate change – and the monumental business opportunities that follow.



Pants from old curtains



Upcycled editorial piece



Teddy bear skirt