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Atomic Garage

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Bright colors and a vibrant paisley mural lure the customers in upon entering 5th Street in Valley Junction. This building, which proudly wears this mind-bending ’60s-inspired mural, is home to a real-life flaw in the space-time continuum. This door doesn’t lead to a shop. It opens a portal through time. You have entered the Atomic Garage.

The front hosts a display of accessories including costume jewelry straight from Audrey Hepburn’s stylist, from psychedelic sunglasses to vibrant purses, not to mention old school shoes – we’re talking Go Go boots here, honey – and wigs featuring vintage hairstyles.

Racks fill the back room, stuffed with one-of-a-kind clothes of every style and time period. The majority of these clothes are legit, too, relics from decades like the flirty ’40s and the rockin’ ’80s. There are no racks of identical blouses and matching pants here, either; no two garments are alike.

Mixing clothes and accessories in the Atomic Garage is guaranteed to provide the makings for a great party outfit. And speaking of parties, the store also sells an eclectic mix of vintage records to provide for all your DJing needs. KIANA ROPPE