



Kellye Coffyn

Bespoke Western Wear /Chain-stitch & Irish Embroidery /Traditionally-trained British Tailor & Cutter/ Born & Bred Texan

Leeds, UK

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Languages

Spanish (Work Proficiency)

English (Fluent)

About

I create bespoke tailored Western Wear using vintage machines and traditional British tailoring techniques. Inspired by the country music culture of my native Texas, the embroidered suits worn by performers like Dolly Parton and Hank Williams and the beautiful natural surroundings of my adopted home of Yorkshire. With LongTimeGone, sustainability is a main priority, and deadstock and vintage materials are used where possible to be kind to the earth as well as one-of-a-kind. After nearly 20 years in academia, primarily as a research physicist, and having had a love for textile arts and making clothing since childhood, LongTimeGone combines the precision of my scientific background with my creative drive to make stunning garments that are as unique as the wearer. I have trained in Savile Row cutting and tailoring methods to combine the best of British suit-making with the Western Wear traditions of the American South.

BRANDS WORKED WITH

- Coffyn Furniture
- Digital Leeds
- Imperial College Press
- LongTimeGone
- Massachusetts Institute of Technology
- University of Cambridge
- University of Leeds
- University of North Texas

Experience



Tailor/Cutter/Embroiderer

LongTimeGone | Dec 2017 - Now

Co-Founder

Coffyn Furniture | Apr 2017 - Dec 2017

Bespoke plywood furniture and home accessories

Founder

Digital Leeds | Apr 2016 - Jul 2017

Organised community talks and workshops focused on tech in Leeds and Yorkshire.



Science Writer

University of Leeds | Dec 2016 - Apr 2017



Leeds EPSRC Nanoscience and Nanotechnology Research Facility Manager

University of Leeds | Sep 2013 - Sep 2016



Postdoctoral Research Associate

University of Leeds | Sep 2012 - Aug 2013

Research in nanosensors for the detection of testicular cancer

Head of Editorial

Imperial College Press | Apr 2011 - Sep 2012

Commissioning Editor

Imperial College Press | Feb 2010 - Apr 2011



Science communications intern

University of Cambridge | Jun 2008 - Sep 2008

Writing press releases and news stories about the scientific research at
The University of Cambridge



- **Undergraduate Research Assistant**

University of North Texas | Aug 2000 - May 2002

Research in semiconductor physics



- **Summer Research Intern**

Massachusetts Institute of Technology | Jun 1999 - Aug 1999

Research in dilute magnetic semiconductors