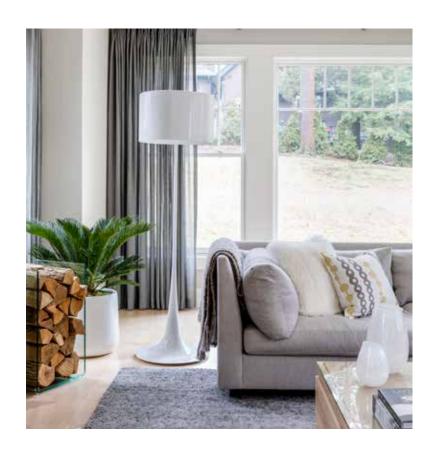
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## Designer Draperies of Boston



Julie Murphy took her first sewing class at the age of 10 and was hooked. Although she received a bachelor's degree in psychology and a master's degree in occupational therapy, her passion for sewing and her creativity caused her to pursue a different career path. She started her own drapery workroom in 2006, and through hard work and determination, purchased Designer Draperies of Boston in 2014, which

had been serving the design community for over 25 years.

"It just felt like the natural path for me. I started out as a one-woman show, but the work continued to pour in, and I knew I could handle a larger operation. Fate brought me together with the previous owner, and the rest is history! I have such a rewarding profes-



sion. Being able to transform spaces, both functionally and aesthetically, through the manipulation of beautiful textiles is a gift. Nothing makes me happier than having a positive impact on someone else's livelihood. When I do my craft well, it directly reflects on the reputation of the designer, and I take that very seriously. We are in this together!

What is your dream collaboration?

Being brought in at the beginning of a project is ideal. Then the size of a drapery stack, for example, won't have an adverse effect on a designer's furniture layout.

What is your business philosophy? Provide superior quality products and exceptional customer service at the beginning, during, and after every project and earn a loyal client forever.

## What inspires your work?

I love a challenge and the opportunity to use my problem-solving skills and creativity to find the perfect solution for someone else's dilemma.

What is your proudest moment?

Knowing that my four children have witnessed their mother being a successful small business owner while pursuing her passion.



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