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Only high-quality clothing (most items have only been worn a few times) will make it onto the racks at Good As New.

"Compared (to other resale shops) Good As New clothing is cleaner and more fashionable," said owner Grace Cheung.

The large store carries brand name clothing like Versace, The Gap, Polo, Club Monaco, Benetton and others. There are men's, women's and children clothing in all sizes. The store also carries small appliances, china and some toys.

There is no charge to keep clothing at the store, but Cheung encourages customers to purchase a \$1 security tag, which protects the item against theft.

Clothing is kept for eight weeks in the store. If it's sold within that time, the profits



Grace Cheung of Good As New - Markham's upscale resale clothing store. Photo by LORI EMMERSON

are split 50/50. If it isn't sold, people can either take their clothing back or leave it at the store. The store will either keep them or donate them to charity.

"We help customers get rid of old clothing and make some money."

Good As New is open Monday to Friday from 10 am to 7 pm and Saturday and Sunday from 11 am to 5 pm. The store will take consignment items from Sunday to Tuesday.

The store is located at 4568 Hwy. 7 just west of Kennedy Rd. For details call 940-6536 or visit their website at [home.ipoline.com/~kenche/gdasnew.htm](http://home.ipoline.com/~kenche/gdasnew.htm)

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Musicians' Marketplace offers a downtown Toronto selection, but with the service and atmosphere of a small town store.

The mid-sized store, that opened its doors to the public on September 1, 1997, provides customers with a variety of new and used musical instruments and accessories at excellent prices.

"We are inexpensive, knowledgeable and honest," said Owner Stephen Snitman.

A professional drummer, Stephen has been in the music industry for the past 15 years.

Stephen opened his Hwy. 7 store (located across the street from his brother's store) to provide a convenient location for his customers to purchase or sell instruments as well as learn how to play.

People can purchase guitars, keyboards, drums, clarinets, saxophones and other instruments as well as peddles, drum sticks, microphones, wires, speakers, sheet music and more.

Musicians' Marketplace also sells top-quality used instruments.

Customers can sell their instruments directly to the store or they can do it on consignment. Musicians' Marketplace will keep the instrument for a minimum of 30 days. If it is sold during that time, a small percentage of the sale is recouped by the store.

Musicians' Marketplace will soon have a website featuring all the consignment items in the store.

Consignment items will be advertised internationally.

And if that isn't enough, Musicians' Marketplace will be opening their back room to buy, sell and trade used CDs.



"We are inexpensive, knowledgeable and honest," said Stephen Snitman, owner of Musicians' Marketplace.

**Learn to play an instrument from the best**  
People interested in learning how to play a musical instrument can learn from the best professionals in the trade.

Musicians' Marketplace only hires teachers who have experience in both live and studio environments and who can teach students based on individual needs.

Presently, students can learn the piano, drums, guitar, bass and saxophone, although "we can teach them anything they want."

The store is located at 5797 Hwy. 7 E. For details: 201-1117 or Email Stephen at [musicman@istar.ca](mailto:musicman@istar.ca).

Musicians' Marketplace is open from 11 am to 8 pm Monday to Friday and 11 am to 6 pm on Saturday.

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