



Owner Dawn Stiehl uses a Sharpie marker to find the spot for a piercing. After a few changes, freshman Rita Dervis chooses the perfect place for her new lip ring.



"Ready? Take a deep breathe, on three ... one ... two ... three," says Stiehl before every piercing. She also goes over sterilization techniques to make sure the customer recognizes that equipment is clean and up to state standards.

# THE MOD SQUAD

Stiehl's Body Modification can make any change to the body, including piercings and tattoos

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Above: Stiehl uses a hemostat clamp to grip jewelry before piercing the skin. Right: Local artist Andrew Patterson tattoos an Ithaca College student's calf.

