Rose Previte comes from a food loving Sicilian-Lebanese family. She spent years helping to run her mother's catering business and later her restaurant. Rose spent over a decade working in bars and restaurants. She worked at Mike Schuster's Pour House for over six years, while getting a master's degree in Public Policy from George Mason University. Rose married David Greene, NPR journalist, and joined him when he was posted in Russia. In almost three years' time the couple traveled to 30 countries, absorbing their street and market foods, and the energy of diverse cultures. These travels reinforced her strong commitment to community, and to offering people the chance to taste delicious foods and discover the meaning behind them, which inspired the opening of Compass Rose in 2014.

In the first year it was open, Compass Rose was on every best restaurant list in D.C. The Washington Post wrote about its signature dish, khachapuri, seven different times. Compass Rose has been on Eater’s 38 Essential Restaurant list since opening and has been mentioned in local and national media including The New York Times, The Los Angeles Times, Food & Wine and Bon Appetit. The restaurant won a 2017 RAMMY for best casual restaurant. Rose was recently featured in the April 2017 issue of Washingtonian magazine as one of D.C.’s “40 Under 40” top professionals to watch. Working with Mike Schuster to open Compass Rose fulfilled a lifelong dream of having her own place in the neighborhood and her new restaurant, Maydan, opening in Manhattan Laundry this fall, will further deepen that commitment.

Rose and her husband David live a bi-coastal life with homes in D.C. and Los Angeles. Her husband, David is one of the co-hosts of NPR’s Morning Edition and spends half of his time working out of the organization’s Culver City, CA office. They absolutely love to travel and do so every chance they get.