'Idol' Couple Ace Young and Diana DeGarmo Are Married





By Kerri Sheehan

American Idol crooners Ace Young and Diana DeGarmo have officially tied the knot. According to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, the two got married on Saturday, June 1 at the Luxe Sunset Boulevard Hotel in Bel Air, California. The couple tried to make their ceremony specialized to really reflect who they are. "We want everybody to have fun, let their guard down," said Young.

What are some ways to incorporate personal elements in your wedding?

Cupid's Advice:

Your wedding is the perfect time to add some personal flare for guest to enjoy. Cupid has some advice on how to do so:

1. Food: Everyone that has ever been to a wedding knows that

food is one of the most anticipated elements of the event. Adding your own favorite foods to the menu will help you share your likes with your guest. Also think about creating a signature "wedding cocktail" to be served to guests.

2. Décor: Decorations tell a lot about a ceremony. Whether you're a big beachgoer, a world traveler, or a huge fan of a certain book or movie, you can easily incorporate those elements into your décor. You want the ceremony to really reflect who you and your partner are.

3. Wedding favors: This is another way to show guest who you are. If you're a music lover then a mix CD is a good idea for a favor, or if you're more of a foodie then some sort of wine or candy is another way to go. The possibilities are endless!

What are some ways you can think of to incorporate personal elements into your wedding? Share below.

Sean Parker Marries Alexandra Lenas in \$9 Million Wedding





By Petra Halbur

Sean Parker married Alexandra Lenas on Saturday, June 1st, in one of the most expensive weddings Silicon Valley had ever seen. According to <u>People</u>, Parker and Lenas tied the knot before 300 family and friends in a ceremony that cost \$9 million. The Ventana Inn, where the wedding took place, was decorated to resemble a movie set, complete with fake waterfalls, a gated cottage and a \$600,000 stone gate. The dance floor reportedly cost \$350,000 and the cost of flowers and plants totaled to \$1 million.

How do you decide how much money to spend on your wedding?

Cupid's Advice:

It's easy to get carried away with a wedding. Of course, you want to make your big day memorable but you don't have to spend a fortune to do so. Cupid has some ideas to help:

1. Remember what's important: Ultimately, your wedding is a ceremony to mark the beginning of your new life with your spouse. Don't lose sight of that.

2. Prioritize: Decide which part of the wedding is most important to you. Is it the dress? The location? The cake?

Pick one or two things to splurge on and take a frugal approach to the rest.

3. Consider the long-term: A wedding lasts only one day. Consider your honeymoon, and any future vacations or material indulgences that you might rather spend the money on.

How did you budget your wedding? Tell us below.

Celebrity News: 'Soul Surfer' Bethany Hamilton Describes Her 'Perfect' Proposal





By Marisa Spano

The beach is a popular date destination, but for Bethany

Hamilton, author of *Soul Surfer* – it's where she got engaged. Hamilton told *People*, "Adam knew how to please his mermaid." Hamilton, known for losing her arm in a shark attack yet continued to pursue her passion for surfing, opened up about the proposal. "We hiked to our favorite quiet beach, munched on lunch and hung out," she said. "Then we went for a walk to a beautiful garden behind the beach. As we were walking we found two coconuts, my favorite thing to drink, which accompanied the ring. Then he started sharing his heart and love for me, and he dropped on his knee and proposed. I said yes and was crying and laughing all in a jumble. It was beautiful and perfect."

What are some location ideas for the perfect proposal?

Cupid's Advice:

Deciding on the perfect proposal setting can be difficult. Cupid has some advice to make it easier:

1. Make it different: Try to find a spot that you don't go to quite often. Being proposed to in a place that you aren't very familiar with makes it seem that much more exotic and majestic. In fact, vacation proposals have been the up and coming new proposal trend.

2. A place that has meaning: Choose a meaningful spot to pop the question. It should be a place the two of you could share and enjoy together. Whether it's the place you had your first kiss or the restaurant you had your first date, you should both understand the thought behind it.

3. The top of a mountain: No matter what location you choose to propose, make sure it's romantic. What's more romantic than standing on the top of a mountain taking in breathtaking views? A hike followed by a thoughtful picnic might be just the key.

How would you like to be proposed? Tell us below.

Celebrity Couple: Keira Knightley and James Righton Return to London Post-Honeymoon in Corsica





By April Littleton

After tying the knot May 4 in Mazan, France, <u>People</u> reports Keira Knightley and her new hubby James Righton, a keyboardist for The Klaxons, returning to London after spending their honeymoon in Corsica. The couple met after being introduced by fashion correspondent Alexa Chung. A year after being spotted together, Knightley and Righton got engaged in May 2012. How do you decide as a couple where to honeymoon?

Cupid's Advice:

Your honeymoon is one of the most important trips you will go on. After all, it is the first of many trips you and your partner will take together as man and wife. After all of the stress of planning a wedding, the honeymoon is the time to relax and unwind with your beau. Many couples have a hard time deciding on the destination of their honeymoon, but not to worry — Cupid has some tips:

1. Set a budget: The first thing you should do as a couple is work out a budget. Both of you should agree on how much money you're willing to spend on the honeymoon. Can you afford that dream honeymoon in Fiji, or should you be looking at locations closer to home? Whatever the case, don't be discouraged if you can't go all out for the honeymoon. There are dozens of locations within an affordable price range just for newlyweds.

2. Research: You and your significant other should think about what kind of honeymoon you want. Do you want to spend most of the time relaxing by the pool and drinking cocktails, or do you want to live on the adventurous side? Once you figure out what kind of setting you both will enjoy, then you can narrow down your location search.

3. Get some help: Discuss some of your options with a couple who's been in your situation before, or get in touch with a travel agent. Mention your budget and what you're expecting out of the honeymoon. Not only will you get some valuable feedback, but you might also get information on other possible destinations you and your partner didn't think of!

How did you decide where to honeymoon? Comment below.

Celebrity Wedding: Shenae Grimes Marries British Model Josh Beech Wearing Black Wedding Dress





By April Littleton

According to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, Shenae Grimes, the 90210 actress, married British model Josh Beech on May 10. The couple went public with their relationship in July 2012 and announced their engagement last December. But what made her wedding so different from all the others? The star wore a black Vera Wang wedding dress down the aisle and a source said house music was playing as Grimes made her way to the alter.

How can you plan for a non-traditional wedding?

Cupid's Advice:

Not every girl dreams of walking down the aisle wearing a fluffy, white dress. Some women just want to marry their significant other without having to deal with the tedious planning a traditional wedding would take. If you're a brideto-be who's thinking out of the box in terms of your wedding plans, Cupid has some advice for you:

1. The dress: Contrary to popular belief, your wedding dress doesn't have to be white! It's your wedding, pick out something you feel comfortable in and what you believe would suit you the best. Try not to think too heavily on what your husband-to-be would think. Naturally, he would love anything at this point! If you showed up in a trash bag, your partner would still think you're the most beautiful woman in the room.

2. Be creative: Skip some of the usual planning and make the details of your special day a little more personable! Use your iPod and have a friend be in charge of the music during the reception instead of hiring a DJ. Create your own invitations, and let the bridesmaids and groomsmen pick their own outfits. You'll save tons of money, and you'll have a wedding your friends and family members will remember for years to come.

3. Focus on the groom: At the end of the day, the purpose of your wedding is for you to marry the person you love. Don't get caught up in the little things. Keep your focus on you, your beau and the life you're about to build together. In fact, you can skip the big ceremony all together and get hitched in Vegas! As long as the two of you exchange I Do's, there's not much else to worry about.

Did you have a non-traditional wedding? Share your experience below!

Celebrity News: 'Today Show' Co-Host Savannah Guthrie Is Engaged





By Andrea Surujnauth

The *Today Show's* Savannah Guthrie announced her engagement Monday morning during the show. According to <u>People</u>, her boyfriend of four years, Michael Feldman, proposed to her over Mother's Day weekend. "Good for you and congratulations to Mr. Feldman," said Guthrie's anchor mate Matt Lauer. "He's a great guy." Guthrie was previously married to to BBC News presenter Mark Orchard in 2005, but the two divorced in 2009.

How do you know when you're ready to get married?

Cupid's Advice:

Marriage isn't something to step into lightly, and it can be hard to know when your relationship is ready for that next step with your partner. Cupid is here to help you figure it out:

1. You bring out the best in each other: Does your sweetheart make you strive to be a better you? If you find yourself consciously inspired to make a difference in yourself, wedding bells may be in the air.

2. Think long-term: If you two lovebirds are already planning for the future together, it's a good sign that things are headed toward at least a very committed relationship.

3. You'd elope: If you want to marry your partner whether you two have a big wedding or not, then you truly love them and it may be time to walk down the aisle (or elope in Jamaica).

How did you know you were ready to get married? Comment below and let us know!

Celebrity News: Surfer Bethany Hamilton Announces Her Engagement





By Kerri Sheehan

Professional surfer and shark attack survivor Bethany Hamilton recently announced that she is set to walk down the aisle with fiancée, Adam Dirks, reports <u>People</u>. The pair's first "date" involved them jumping off a 40 foot cliff into the ocean, something that both of them site as a reason they fell for each other. <u>On her blog</u>, Hamilton announced the engagement and said, "I know Adam and I are right for each other. Neither of us is perfect, but in my eyes Adam is just right and I'm thankful to have someone so perfectly perfect to share life with as one."

How do you know when you've found "the one"?

Cupid's Advice:

With so many guys on the prowl, it's hard to tell if you've really found the right one or just another flop. Cupid has some advice:

1. They love you for you: Your significant other's job is not to tell you your faults. Their admiration for you should be high enough that even on the worst of days they appreciate you for who you are, rather than what they want you to be. "The One" should take great pride in who you are and the choices that you make and never try to change you to suit their preferences. Their preference should be you anyway!

2. You have similar goals: We've all been in that relationship where you feel like you're perfect for one another until talk of the future gets brought up. Maybe they see themselves living in the country while you're a city slicker or perhaps children are in the cards for them whereas you prefer to be kid-free. Compatibility is the key to making a long-term relationship happy and fulfilled.

3. Even the mundane seems exciting: When you've truly found "The One" suddenly the minutest activities are fun. Being with them is never boring as just their presence is enough to spice up your day. Marriages are meant to last a long time so if you're bored after just a year or two it is unlikely that the relationship will last the test of time.

Have you found your soul mate yet? Share your story below.

Celebrity News: 'Honey Boo Boo' Stars Mama June and Sugar Bear Exchange Vows and Celebrate with BBQ





By Andrea Surujnauth

Mama June and Sugar Bear, stars of *Honey Boo Boo*, exchanged vows in an extremely unique wedding ceremony that was all their own. Wearing a camouflage wedding gown, the pair marched down the aisle in the backyard of their Georgia home. According to *People*, the low key ceremony was followed by a family barbecue. "The day was very special mostly because my girls were able to take part in it," says June. "I felt like it was important for them to see this moment and celebrate my love for Sugar Bear." June also spoke about how she managed to keep her big day within her budget. "My sister baked the cake, and we spent most of the money on barbecue," says June. "We stayed true to our roots and made the focus on the family and my commitment to Sugar Bear. You can definitely plan an event on a budget!"

What are some ways to tailor your wedding reception to your personality?

Cupids Advice:

How can you make your wedding reception all your own? You want your personality to shine through for all your guests to see. Cupid is here to help: 1. Spice up your invitations: Put your own spin on your invitations. They don't have to be plain and formal. If you are your partner are more of a comical couple, go for some humor instead!

2. Activities: Your big day does not have to be traditional with just dancing and picture taking. Come up with some fun activities that they can do like writing notes in a guest book!

3. Personal decorations: Add your personal touch to your reception decorations. Ask yourself, if I was home throwing a party, how would I decorate?

How did you personalize your wedding? Comment below and let us know!

Celebrity News: Keira Knightley Ties the Knot with James Righton in Low-Key Ceremony





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On Saturday, May 4, actress Keira Knightley married Klaxons keyboardist James Righton. The couple kept the day very low-key, <u>UsMagazine</u> reports. They exchanged vows in an intimate ceremony in the south of France before just a dozen or so of their closest friends and family.

What are some ways to keep your wedding low-key?

Cupids Advice:

Marriage has always been one of your life goals-but the wedding part, not so much. You were never the type of person who enjoyed having the spotlight on you. Cupid here to give you some advice on how to make your wedding day more low-key:

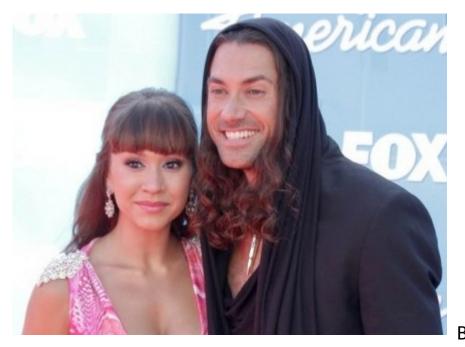
1. Keep it small: You decided to spend the rest of your life with the man you love—who's to say you have to share that moment with hundreds of people. You want your wedding day to be shared amongst the people that matter most to you. Invite 40 of you closest friends and family and avoid that big wedding you've always dreaded having. This way, you won't have to make small talk with distant relative you barely know, or haven't seen since you were a baby. 2. Short dress: Wearing a big and tiered wedding dress was never how you envisioned walking down the aisle. Save yourself the pain of putting on the overly laced dress and find something you are more comfortable in. You may even decide to wear an off white dress, or one that has a bit of color in it. Ignore the typical wedding rules and find something that suits your personality-after all, it's your big day!

3. Backyard wedding: After looking at countless venues, you can't seem to find a place that seems right for your big day. They all seem too big and don't have the right feel for you. Skip the hassle of looking around for a location and consider having the party right in your backyard. You grew up there and have so many memories—why not add one more? Your guests will love the homey feeling associated with your wedding—and so will you.

How did you keep you wedding low-key? Share below.

Celebrity News: 'Honey Boo Boo' Mom June Shannon Marries Sugar Bear





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Reality show mom June Shannon and her longtime beau Mike "Sugar Bear" Thompson finally tied the knot on Sunday, May 5. The ceremony, which took place in McIntyre, Georgia, was a "taped event," according to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>. Shannon, known as "Mama" on the show, and Thompson are already parents to Alana "Honey Boo Boo" Thompson, 7, the feisty Toddlers & Tiaras pageant contestant with a penchant for outrageous oneliners.

What are some advantages to getting married?

Cupid's Advice:

You and your partner have been together for a while now and are contemplating marriage. With the divorce rate as high as it is, you are both a little skeptical. Have no fear—Cupid is here to touch on the advantages of getting married:

1. Commitment: After dating your man for so long, you start to feel like nothing is changing in the relationship. Marriage offers a lifetime of commitment to the person you love. The years you spend together will be ever changing, bringing you both closer together.

2. Family: With marriage comes the possibility of starting a family. You gain the opportunity to have children with the man you chose to spend the rest of your life with. Getting married lets you have the family you've always dreamed of.

3. Life goals: When thinking abou the ideal life, you instantly think of a big house with a handsome husband and beautiful kids. Tying the knot to the person you love allows you to obtain all of your wishes for the future. Sharing and accomplishing life goals with your spouse make them even more special.

What were some advantages you found throughout your marriage? Share below.

Celebrity News: Leonardo DiCaprio Says He's Open to Getting Married





By Meghan Fitzgerald

Leonardo DiCaprio is one busy man. With hits like *Django Unchained, The Great Gatsby*, and the *Wolf on Wall Street* – he has undergone a lot of stress. This summer, according to <u>UsMagazine</u>, the almost 40 year old actor is planning to relax. <u>Extra</u> reports: "To me, right now it's about getting a little breather – getting some time off...just a few months off to do some other things." DiCaprio is currently single but taking the days "as they come."

How do you know if your partner is ready to get married?

Cupid's Advice:

Getting married is a serious matter in your relationship and your life. When you are thinking about marriage, you need to make sure you and your partner are ready for the next step. Cupid has some more advice:

1. Love: Is your love stronger than the gods, mountains, and nature altogether? Does your love heal wounds, hearts, and souls? Does your love make you and your mate grow more as a person, and as a couple? If you answered yes to these, you and your mate are ready to get on board to the marriage train. If you are doubting your love you have for your partner, or your partner has for you - you may not be ready.

2. Finances: Does your partner have their finances in check? Are they independent and strong? It is essential that your mate is ready to join into a combined relationship where financial situations are more than important. It is necessary for your partner to have a strong financial standing in order to take the next step, which is marriage.

3. Trust: Does your mate trust you with everything involving their life? It is essential that your partner does not keep secrets from you. It is one thing to keep secrets in a relationship, it is another to do it while married. You need to make sure trust is in the air before you put a ring on it. If you don't believe your mate trusts you, they may not be ready for the big step in their life.

Have you known your partner was ready to get married? Explain below.

Celebrity Couple Jennifer Aniston and Justin Theroux Push Back Wedding Because of Celebrity Ex Brad Pitt





By Meghan Fitzgerald

Jennifer Aniston and Justin Theroux's celebrity wedding plans are slightly delayed due to her celebrity ex Brad Pitt and his current fiancé Angelina Jolie. <u>UsMagazine</u> reports that famous couple "Brangelina" are planning upcoming nuptials, and Aniston didn't want her own wedding to conflict with theirs. According to <u>NY Daily News</u>, "She does not want her day associated with them." The Hollywood couple considered moving the date up, but Theroux didn't want to rush it.

Aniston postponed her wedding because of her celebrity ex. What are some ways to keep the thought of your past relationship from ruining your current one?

Cupid's Advice:

It's no surprise that Aniston didn't want her big day associated with her celebrity ex! It's important that an ex doesn't interfere with your current relationship, especially when it comes to your wedding. Cupid has some relationship advice on how to forget the past so that you can have a better future:

1. No communication: The simplest solution from keeping your ex from ruining your current relationship and love is ending all forms of communications with them. It isn't always easy, but it *is* possible. Work through the urge to call, text, or message them. By not allowing any opportunities for them to enter your life, it makes it more difficult for them to have a negative effect on your current relationship.

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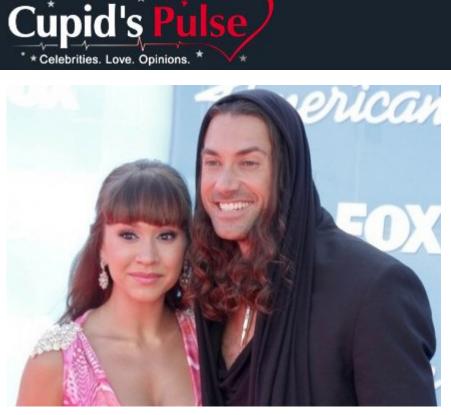
2. Stay busy: If you want your ex to stay out of your head, keep yourself busy. Go out to eat with old friends; take up yoga; learn a language; or plan a picnic for you and your partner. Do everything and anything you can to keep your mind away from unwanted thoughts of your past relationships.

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3. Be happy: You are currently in a new relationship, so you shouldn't be thinking about your ex. Those kind of thoughts will most likely result in negative feelings and repressed emotions. Try to focus on why your ex is an ex and think about how happy you are to have found another partner.

Have you kept the thought of your ex from ruining your current relationship and love? Share below.

Celebrity News: Tony Bennett Gives Away Daughter Antonia at Her Wedding



By Meghan Fitzgerald

Tony Bennett was more than thrilled to give away his singer daughter, Antonia, at her wedding recently. He enthusiastically tweeted, "Congratulations to my beautiful daughter, Antonia. What a fabulous wedding." He also included a picture of the two walking down the aisle. A source told <u>People</u> that Bennett and his wife, Susan attended the wedding at the Beverly Hills Hotel. Love was in the air this past Sunday night.

What are some ways to include your parents in your nuptials?

Cupid's Advice:

Your parents love you. At times, their love is constraining and stressful and unwanted. However, they put you on this planet and you should attempt to include them as much as possible in your nuptials. Cupid has some advice:

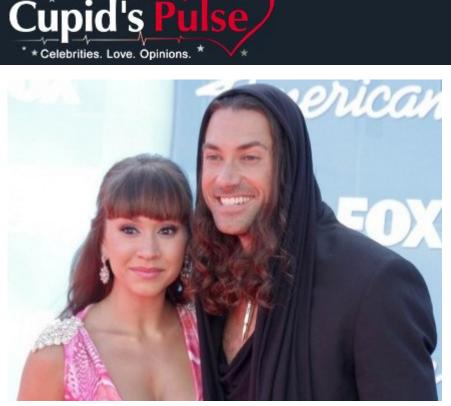
1. Toast: It is easy and simply to include your parents in your nuptials by dedicating a special toast to them. Nothing is more meaningful to your parents than telling them over all your friends and family how much you love them. Your parents will be honored that you took the time out of your special day to write and make a speech for them.

2. Memorable gift: The most memorable gift you can give your parents on your wedding day is a picture frame or a photo book. Either gather pictures of you and your parents and compile them into a book. Or round up pictures of you and your fiance and put them together. Your parents will be able to look back on the day their child got married. And also be able to show your pictures off when visitors come around their home.

3. Family heirloom: Something old, something new, and something blue. It is a common wedding expression and is followed by couples everywhere. With something old: include a piece, jewelry, clothing, anything that has meaning in your family. You parents will recognize how much you care for them by keeping the tradition in the family. The bride can even copy or replicate your mother's wedding gown.

Have you included your parents in your nuptials? Share your experience below.

Celebrity News: Miley Cyrus Says It 'Feels Right' to Wear Engagement Ring and Be Committed



By Andrea Surujnauth

Miley Cyrus recently opened up to *Elle UK* about her engagement to Liam Hemsworth. The couple got engaged a year ago. "We have a house together and dogs. It just seems right to be wearing this ring and to be committed," Cyrus said. "But we keep our relationship low-key and don't talk about it any more." According to <u>UsMagazine</u>, Cyrus has decided to keep her personal life and relationship to herself and away from the spotlight. "We were too nice to the world and gave them too much insight — into my life and my puppies and my house and I just don't feel they get that privilege any more," Cyrus explained. "Like on my Twitter, I'm much more . . . not conservative, but you don't see a picture of my dogs. You don't get that personal stuff any more."

How do you know when you're ready to get engaged?

Cupid's Advice:

Getting engaged is a huge step in a relationship. You love the person you are with, but how do you know whether or not you're ready for that step? Cupid is here with some ways to help you decide:

1. You enjoy every moment: If you enjoy the ups and the downs with your beau then you are ready for the long haul. Marriage is not always exciting and fun so you know you are ready for an engagement if you are happy with your partner no matter if you are having a bad, boring, or sad moment together.

2. No more dating: If you are ready to burn that little black book of yours, then you are ready to be tied down. If you feel that your honey is the only one for you and no one else could make you happier, then you are ready for that step towards holy matrimony.

3. Future plans: If the two of you are already planning for a future together, you are ready for that proposal. You two see a future together and are making plans together so you are both serious enough about the relationship to take this step.

How did you know you were ready to get engaged? Comment below and let us know!

Michael Jordan Ties the Knot with Yvette Prieto





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Former NBA star Michael Jordan tied the knot with modelfiancée, Yvette Prieto. According to <u>People</u>, the wedding took place in Palm Beach, Florida on Saturday. "They've been planning for months and months," says a source of the nuptials. "He wanted to give Yvette everything she's ever wanted."

What are some ways to make your wedding unique?

Cupid's Advice:

The day you have been dreaming of since you were a little girl is finally nearing. You want to make your wedding day as special and memorable as possible. Cupid is here to give you some unique wedding ideas to make the day even better:

1. Pick a song: While walking down the aisle, choose a song that holds a special meaning to you and your fiancé. The first song you danced together to, a song that represents your love for each other, or even just a song you both enjoy listening to. By doing so, you will be creating an even more special moment to share for the rest of your lives together.

2. Embroidered ring pillow: Before sending your ring barer down the aisle, surprise everyone by having a meaningful quote from your vows embroidered or needlepointed onto the pillow. Every time you look at the pillow, you and you love will remember those beautiful, sacred vows, keeping your love strong and timeless.

3. Guilty pleasure station: You have been dieting for months, hoping to look great in your wedding dress. Well, the day is here and you look amazing—now it's time to indulge! Set up a 'guilty pleasure' food station at the reception. Serve chicken finger, macaroni and cheese, potato skins—all your favorite guilty pleasures. All of your guests will love the cute and unique idea—and their stomachs will enjoy it too.

How did you make your wedding unique? Share in the comments below.

Real Housewives Star Gretchen Rossi Proposes to Slade

Smiley





By Meghan Fitzgerald

<u>People</u> confirms that *Real Housewives* star Gretchen Rossi recently proposed to longtime boyfriend, Slade Smiley, and he said "yes." Her marriage proposal to her mate will be televised on *Bravo*. "I've never been so overwhelmed with just sheer joy and happiness!" Rossi tells <u>Life & Style</u>. A source said, "Gretchen always does everything out of the box, so no one is too surprised she was the one who proposed. She really wants kids with Slade, so that was a big motivator."

What are some unique ways a woman can propose to a man?

Cupid's Advice:

Even though it is not as common for a woman to propose to a man, there are still numerous ways to carry it out. Let your creativity flow and think about your mate when you have the proposal in mind. Cupid has some tips: 1. Take it back: When proposing to your beau, keep in mind all of the times you've had together. Travel back in time to your first date, your third anniversary, or your first Christmas dinner together. Make it memorable by sharing emotions, feelings and events you have attended together. This is a laid back and creative way to show your partner how much you love them.

2. Stand tall: You are proposing to your man, so this is not the norm and this whole event is unique. When asking your partner to marry you, remain confident. Don't back down, and do not stray away from what you want to do. Stand tall.

3. Don't rush: When preparing to propose to your man, do not rush it. It is essential that you plan out the proposal just the way he would like. If he is more low key and mellow, plan something personal. If he enjoys extravagant parties and surprises, put your back into it and plan the proposal to the ground. It doesn't have to be perfect, but it does have to be heartfelt.

Have you proposed to a man before? Share your experience below.

Celebrity News: 'Hart of Dixie' Star Scott Porter Marries Longtime Girlfriend





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Scott Porter and Kelsey Mayfield said 'I do' on April 20 in Austin Texas. According to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, the couple selected Austin for their wedding destination because that's where their love story began. "We wanted to get married under a Texas sky, and it's going to be kind of a rustic chic wedding – that's the term she throws around," Porter explains. "She's got the whole thing in her head and I trust her explicitly."

What are some ways to compromise on wedding details?

Cupid's Advice:

You and your fiancé have been dreaming up the perfect wedding. Now that it's time to get the ball rolling, you realize you don't see eye to eye on every detail. Cupid's here to help you compromise plans for the big day.

1. Pick your battles: Your soon-to-be husband wants to have a live band, opposed to a DJ at your wedding and you think it might be a little tacky. Your love seems so committed to the idea and really seems to want it for the wedding. If you don't have a deep concern over an issue, let your partner have his way. It clearly means a lot to him. In return, he will let you have your way with other disputes you may come across while planning.

2. Try new things: Your love wants to invite his friends from college that you never met before to the wedding. At first you are horrified by the idea of having strangers at your wedding. Think it through—these people are probably important to your man and should be there for his special day. Perhaps get to know them before the wedding.

3. Ask other's opinions: If you and your fiancé are in a huge argument over the color scheme of your wedding ask other's opinions. Go to your mom and his mom—to make it fair—and see what they think. A fresh perspective may be all you two need in this situation.

How did you compromise with your fiancé over wedding details? Share below.

Celebrity Couple: Matt Damon and Wife Luciana Renew Wedding Vows





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After eight years of marriage, Matt Damon and wife Luciana Barrosso say, "I do" again. According to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, the couple renewed their vows Saturday, April 13 on the Caribbean island of St. Lucia. Damon and the bride exchanged vows under thatched roofs right at sunset. After the 15-minute ceremony, all guests were escorted onto the beach for a cocktail reception. Damon and his wife simply had to celebrate their blissful marriage with everyone they are close with.

What are some reasons to renew your wedding vows?

Cupid's Advice:

You and your husband have been married for a while now and want to show each other how much you love them still. Cupid is here to show you when it is a good time to renew your vows:

1. Anniversary: Your 10th year wedding anniversary is coming up and you want to make it special. Celebrate it by renewing your vows in front of close friends and family. You will get to relive the biggest day of your life and show your husband how happy he makes you each and every day. 2. Spice things up: Even though you are extremely happy with your husband, things have been feeling a bit routinal lately. Between work, the kids, and weekend errands, the romance of your relationship has been slipping away. Rekindle the flame by renewing your vows. You will get a chance to express your love for each other yet again.

3. Fresh start: You and your spouse have been arguing a lot over little nuisances; you forget to turn off the kitchen light before going to bed, or he leaves a mess after cooking dinner. Take a break from the bickering and remind yourselves why you fell in love. Plan a vow renewal ceremony and write out new vows. You and your husband will see how much love you have for each other and the bickering is sure to die down.

How did you renew your wedding vows? Share with us below.

Celebrity News: Julianna Margulies Says She's Glad She Waited to Get Married





By Andrea Surujnauth

Julianna Margulies was surprised to be getting married because she never thought that she was the marrying type, reported <u>People</u>. At the age of 41, she was proposed to by lawyer Keith Lieberthal in 2007. At the time, she was pregnant with their son Kieran, who was born two months later. Now 46, she shares her story in *Good Housekeeping*'s May cover story, "I feel very grateful that I had the courage to say no when I did and say yes when I could, that I waited to find the right mate and to have this little family. There's something about this time in my life where I feel like it's never going to get better."

What are some benefits to stepping into marriage slowly?

Cupid's Advice:

You are excited about being able to tie the knot with that special someone. If you're so excited, then why wait? Cupid has some reasons why waiting can be better than jumping the broom too quickly:

1. Experience: When you wait to get married, you gain more experience and you get to know what traits you want in a partner and what you don't want. This way when you're ready to day "I Do", you will be sure that the person you are saying it

to is really the one for you.

2. Divorce: Getting married young runs a higher risk of ending up in divorce than getting married at an older age. When you're young, you're still growing and your aspect of life is still changing so your likes and dislikes may change.

3. Stability: When you are young, you are just starting off in the business world and you are not completely financially stable. This may cause problems and arguments between you and your partner, especially if you are married. If you wait until you are both financially stable, your life and a married couple will run a lot smoother.

What do you think is a benefit of stepping into marriage slowly? Comment below and let us know!

Celebrity News: Avril Lavigne Plans to Unveil Surprises at Her Wedding to Chad Kroeger





By Andrea Surujnauth

According to *People*, Avril Lavigne opened up to Ryan Seacrest about her wedding plans. Apparently the groom, Nickelback's Chad Kroeger, is in the dark about certain details of the upcoming big day. "It's going to be quite spectacular, and there's a theme to it," Lavigne shares with On-Air with Ryan Seacrest. "We're going pretty big, but Chad doesn't even know everything." She spilled one of her secrets to Ryan as Kroeger looked on with surprise, "I'm going to take the lyrics from the sheet music from one of our songs and wrap it around the wedding cake." When asked about their engagement, Lavinge talks about the meaningful proposal, "I had been making this scrapbook of my time in the studio. I walk over and he had taken a photo of himself holding the ring box and put the Polaroid in my scrapbook. Because I had stickers everywhere he put in 'Will you marry me?' It was really romantic and kind of made sense." Kroeger proposed to Lavigne with a 14-carat diamond ring.

How do you incorporate a theme in your wedding?

Cupid's Advice:

You have the perfect theme in mind, but how do you incorporate it into your wedding? Cupid has some ways that you can spice

up your wedding with your favorite theme:

1. Venue: Choose a venue that matches with the theme you have in mind. If you want your theme to be an exotic getaway, go for a beach wedding. If you want a winter wonderland theme, a nice cabin in the mountains could be a great choice for you.

2. Cake: Get your wedding cake involved with your wedding theme. If you want that summer exotic getaway feel, a cake with colorful hibiscus flowers would go perfectly with your beach venue.

3. Wardrobe: If you want a fairytale wedding, you may want to dress up with a cinderalla-like ball gown. If you want that beach theme wedding, go for something more natural like a more tightfitted gown and flowers in your hair instead of a veil.

How would you incorporate a theme in your wedding? Comment below and let us know.

Celebrity News: Hayden Panettiere Tweets First Post-Engagement Photo with Wladimir Klitschko





By Andrea Surujnauth

Hayden Panettiere was spotted sporting her beach bod in Miami on March 31st. The day before, Panettiere tweeted her first post-engagement photo of herself and her new rumored fiance, Wladimir Klitschko. In the photo, she is seen jumping in the air with singer-songwriter Erin McCarley. Panettiere joked that her and McCarley were only half the size of her "Ukrainian giant" hubby-to-be. Panetierre, 23, and Klitschko, 37, have yet to publicly comment on their engagement. The lovebirds were together for two years before breaking up in May 2011 but decided to rekindle their love for one another in January 2013. A source revealed to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, "Looks like a summer wedding!"

What are some ways to celebrate your engagement?

Cupid's Advice:

After getting engaged, you're so thrilled you just want to shout it from the rooftops! However, if you're afraid of heights, cupid has some other ways you can go about celebrating your wonderful news.

1. Vacation: Go away on a romantic weekend together to celebrate your great news in private, just you and your

sweetheart.

2. Party: Plan a big bash to celebrate your new status with all your friends and family. This way everyone can join in on the excitement that you and your honey are feeling.

3. Photos: Take some engagement photos with your sweetie. Get all dressed up together and have a professional photo shoot. This way you will have great memorabilia for the future.

What are some other ways to celebrate your engagement? Share your ideas below.

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Hayden Wladimir Secretly





By <u>Jessica DeRubbo</u>

Hayden Panettiere may be keeping a big secret right now, according to — <u>UsMagazine.com</u>. Sources are saying that Panettiere and on-again Ukranian beau Wladimir Klitschko are ready to make it official. "Looks like a summer wedding!" says one source. Although the couple parted ways in May 2011, they remained friends. In fact, Panettiere said they were "just good buddies" when they were caught spending time together in mid-January this year.

What are some reasons to keep your engagement under wraps at first?

Cupid's Advice:

Getting engaged is a big step in your relationship, and sometimes there are factors that make you keep it under wraps before announcing to all of your friends and family. Here are a few:

1. Keep it special: Sometimes keeping the news of your pending nuptials a secret at first is a way to make it special between you and your partner. The knowledge the both of you have only with each other serves as a golden nugget of information you can blush over for a few days without getting accosted by those close to you.

2. Out of respect: Perhaps your sister's wedding is right around the corner or a close friend is getting ready to welcome a baby. In order to refrain from taking the spotlight off of them, you may decide to wait to reveal your engagement.

3. To make sure: Once you announce your engagement, it's a lot more drama-ridden down the road if you call it off. Take a few days post-proposal to think things over and make sure you feel comfortable with the situation before revealing your news.

What are some other reasons to keep your engagement to yourself at first? Share your ideas below.

Celebrity Couple Jesse James & Drag Racer Alexis DeJoria Tie the Knot





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Television personality and motorcycle customizer Jesse James recently said "I do" for the fourth time. According to *People*, he tied the knot with professional drag racer Alexis DeJoria on Sunday in Malibu at the home of her father, co-founder of the Paul Mitchell hair care products line and Patron Spirits Company. <u>ABC News</u> reported that the bride wore a strapless white dress with black details and showed off her extensive collection of tattoos. The couple, who live together in Austin, Texas, exchanged rings by well-known jeweler Neil Lane. James is no stranger to the tabloids: his divorce from Sandra Bullock made headlines in June 2010, while his broken engagement to Kat Von D was splashed across magazines in September 2011.

How do you keep your faith in marriage after a failed attempt?

Cupid's Advice:

It's not always easy to jump back into the dating game after getting burned by a bad relationship. It's even harder to give marriage another shot after a failed attempt (or two). Cupid's here to offer some advice: 1. Let go of bitterness. Before you can open yourself up to love again, you must leave behind the cynicism and negativity that may have filled your broken heart. After all, this bad attitude only hurts you. You look petty and jealous, and many people – potential suitors included – will be turned off by your behavior.

2. Know what you want. Take a look at your failed marriage and try to learn something positive from it. Why didn't it work? What went wrong? Then, consider what you want in your next spouse. What are your relationship must-haves and deal breakers? Having a clear idea of your future love life will help you find an everlasting partnership.

3. Remember the good things about love. Once you adjust your attitude and determine what you're looking for in your next relationship, you must be open-minded to true love. Immerse yourself in romance: watch your favorite rom-coms, listen to sappy songs and read your favorite books with fairy tale endings. Remind yourself that "happily ever after" does exist and that it can be your's.

How did you find faith in love after a broken heart? Tell us in the comments below.

'Survivor' Champion Kim Spradlin Marries Barefoot in Mexico





By Andrea Surujnauth

Survivor winner, Kim Spradlin, tied the knot with her fiance Bryan Wolfe. According to *People*, the couple opted for an intimate wedding ceremony on a private beach in Cabo San Lucas, Mexico. "We chose a private beach near our hotel," Spradlin told People. "It's by a cove. I just wanted it to feel very organic and natural." The guest list was comprised of about 30 of the couples closest friends and family. The blushing bride attended the ceremony in a beautiful Catherine Deanne and her bare feet. "It fits with the vibe of Cabo," she said, "and what I wanted for the wedding." The reception was also held on the beach where the guests ate sea bass as they sat around a campfire. "I wanted the whole thing to feel like a really cool party. I didn't want people to sit down and feel like they had to mind their p's and q's. So I got a cool band and lanterns, and we just spent the day with people who are important to us. I am so happy that I could be surrounded by the people I love."

What are some advantages of a tropical wedding?

Cupid's Advice:

Planning a wedding can be stressful and confusing. So many details to be put together and so many options to choose from! Cupid is here to help you out by telling you some advantages of throwing the traditional wedding out the window and opting for a tropical wedding instead:

1. Easy planning: When having a beach wedding, there is no need plan the location and decoration of a hall. The beach a naturally beautiful so there is minimal decorating necessary. A beach wedding is also more casual so there are less details that need to be perfected.

2. More time: When having a beach wedding, there is no set date that you need to be in and out like with a hall. You have more time to spend celebrating with your guests having a good time.

3. Money: With a beach wedding, the greatest advantage is the amount of money that is saved. Intimate weddings involve less people, less planning, less details, and less stress, which leads to less expense. And who wouldn't love to save a few extra bucks while still having a wonderful time?

What do you think some advantages to a tropical wedding would be?