

# 'Real Housewives of New Jersey' Star Lauren Manzo Is Engaged to Longtime Boyfriend



By Kristyn Schwiep

'Real Housewives of New Jersey' Star Lauren Manzo is engaged to longtime boyfriend, Vito Scalia. Manzo told [UsMagazine.com](http://UsMagazine.com), "I'm so incredibly happy!! I'm in shock. I'm so excited to spend the rest of my life with my best friend." The couple got engaged on Nov.12.

**How do you know when you're ready to tie the knot?**

## **Cupid's Advice:**

Getting engaged is a big step in any relationship. You want to make sure you are making the right decision when you decide to tie the knot. So how do you know when you're ready to tie the knot? Cupid has some advice for you:

**1. Support:** If your friends and family support your relationship and like the person you are with that is a big indication that things can and should go to the next level.

Having support from the people that have always been there for you should guide you in the right direction with your relationship. Getting engaged is an exciting time and having the support from family and friends makes this exciting time even better.

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**2. Living situation:** If you've been living together and your relationship is going strong that is a good sign that you are ready to take things to the next level. Living together is one of the hardest parts of being married so if you have been living together and are enjoying it you are ready to get engaged and be fully committed.

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**3. Adding to the family:** Starting a family is a huge deal. If you and your partner have been talking about your future together and starting a family you should definitely take the next steps in becoming a family by tying the knots.

**When did you know you were ready to tie the knot? Share your thoughts below.**

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**Jenny                    McCarthy                    Talks  
Potential                    Marriage                    Proposal**

# to Donnie Wahlberg



By Kerri Sheehan

Jenny McCarthy is hearing wedding bells! McCarthy, 41, dished to Bethenny Frankel on a taping of the *Bethenny* show that if her boyfriend Donnie Wahlberg were to propose she would say, "Yes!" She also wouldn't be opposed to getting down on one knee herself. After taking a year off from dating McCarthy decided to give the New Kids on the Block singer a chance when he broke through the wall she put up. According to UsMagazine.com McCarthy said, "I told the universe I'm ready for love. I said bring the one. I'm not doing any more auditions."

**What are some romantic ways a woman can propose to a man?**

## **Cupid's Advice:**

The days when it was unheard of for a woman to propose to a man are gone! Some woman would rather be in control of their proposal than leave it up to their guy. Let Cupid help you pop

the question:

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**1. Get family involved:** When you get married you're really marrying a whole family, not just one person. Have members from each of your families help you plan a scavenger hunt for him or have them hold up cards boasting the words, "Will you marry me?" Involving both of your families in the proposal is a nice gesture and makes for a great story.

**2. Keep his favorites in mind:** Incorporating your beau's favorites, whether it's a restaurant, drink, or location, will personalize the proposal and make him feel extra special—as he should! This will show him how well you know and will also make him feel like a king.

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**3. Have fun:** Getting engaged should be fun and after all men are just big kids at heart. One cute idea that will catch your guy off guard is to propose on an amusement park ride. He'll be shocked and wowed all at the same time. Bonus points if the ride you chose takes your picture while in motion!

**How would you propose to your significant other? Share below.**

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## **Engaged Ciara Says She May be 'Part-Bridezilla'**



By April Littleton

Ciara is already preparing the details on her upcoming wedding to rapper Future. “It’s going to be two parts,” she told [People](#) at the People’s Choice Awards nominations announcement last week. “We’re both from Atlanta and we have so many family and friends ... it’s going to be hard to get everybody in one place, so we’re going to do a celebration part and a wedding.”

**What are some ways to keep stress out of wedding planning?**

**Cupid’s Advice:**

Wedding planning can be a fun and exciting task for a couple as well as hectic. Everyone dreams of having the “perfect” ceremony and reception and sometimes this train of thought can get in the way of realizing what’s really important – marrying the love of your life. Cupid has some tips:

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**1. Family and friends:** You don’t have to plan your whole wedding by yourself. If you need some additional help, ask

some of your trusted loved ones to lend you a pair of extra hands. You can assign different tasks out for certain individuals to do. Does one of your friends have the perfect handwriting to do your wedding save-the-dates? Maybe your mom would be the perfect person to help with the cake. On a side note, don't stress out if they give you some advice you may not like – they're just trying to help you have a perfect day.

**2. Wedding planner:** A professional wedding coordinator can be a big help if you're unsure of how things are supposed to go. However, hiring someone to help with your wedding can end up being very expensive.

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**3. Just have fun with it:** Planning out the details of your wedding shouldn't be stressful in the first place. This should be a fun and exciting time for you and your fiancé/fiancée. Don't agonize over the little things that won't matter once you're married. Remember, the most important part of your commitment is the marriage itself – not the reception and ceremony.

**What are some other ways to keep stress out of wedding planning? Comment below.**

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## **Adam Levine's Ex Nina Agdal Opens Up About Their Split**

# and His Engagement



By April Littleton

According to [UsMagazine.com](http://UsMagazine.com), Nina Agdal holds no grudges against *Maroon 5* singer Adam Levine and his fiancée Behati Prinsloo. The *Ocean Drive* cover girl said that she found out about Levine's engagement through a text message but she's "happy for them." Agdal is currently dating *The Wanted's* Max George. "We're very much in the honeymoon period. She's awesome," the British rocker, 25, told *OK!* last month. "She's like a best mate as much as a girlfriend."

**What are some ways to cope with an abrupt breakup?**

## **Cupid's Advice:**

Sometimes breakups happen quickly, and there's nothing you can do about it. Cupid has some advice on how to deal:

**1. Spend time with friends:** After you go through a breakup, it's a good idea to spend some time catching up with your



loved ones. They'll be there to lend you a shoulder to cry on and they won't pass any judgment on you.

**2. Keep busy:** One of the best things you can do after a sudden breakup is keep yourself distracted. Continue to carry on with your daily routine as you normally would do. Hang out with your family and friends. Take up a few new hobbies. Over time, you won't need as many distractions, but for now, it'll help with the pain you might be feeling.

**3. Pamper yourself:** Take yourself out on a "me" day. Get a makeover or spend the day relaxing at a spa. Don't just spend your time pondering on what could have been. You're single now, so that mean you need to be the best "you" you can be for the next cute girl/guy who catches your eye.

**What are some other ways to cope with an abrupt breakup? Comment below.**

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## Source Says John Mayer Is Ready to Propose to Katy Perry







By Kristyn Schwiep

A source tells [UsMagazine.com](http://UsMagazine.com) that John Mayer is ready to pop the question to girlfriend Katy Perry. “They realize they must be together. They Skype and text all day,” the source added. The couple has been together for 15 months and they are ready to take their relationship to the next step.

**How do you know when you’re ready to pop the question?**

### **Cupid’s Advice:**

Deciding whether or not to propose to your significant other can cause a whirlwind of emotions. So if you are looking for some guidance, Cupid has some advice to lead you in the right direction:

**1. You’ve discussed the future:** If you’ve taken the time to talk about family vacations or where you two want to end up in 10 years from now, then you are definitely ready to commit to a lifelong adventure with your partner.

**2. Friends and family:** Are you family and friends a fan of your partner? If they are that’s a good sign. You’ve definitely dated one or two people who your friends and family haven’t approved of, so if they like you two together it’s safe to take the next step.

**3. Dropping hints:** Has there been mention of which ring she likes, what type of dress she wants, and where her dream wedding would be? If she has her mind is on marriage and is ready to take the next step. So if you are ready to make the next step in your relationship to get engaged.

**How did you know when you were ready to propose? Share your stories below.**

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## Kanye West and Kim Kardashian Are Engaged!



By April Littleton

Kanye West surprised Kim Kardashian with a unexpected proposal Monday night that left her speechless. “She was so shocked and couldn’t speak after”, a source who witnessed the proposal told [People](#). “Everyone had mascara running down their faces

from tears.” The 36-year-old rapper rented out San Francisco’s AT&T Park and had “PLEEEASE MARRY MEEE!!!” written on the stadium’s Jumbotron. Kardashian, who accepted the proposal, now wears a 15- carat, flawless Lorraine Schwartz diamond ring on her finger.

**What are some ways to pull off a surprise proposal?**

### **Cupid’s Advice:**

Planning a surprise proposal can be a lot of fun and it’ll definitely be something you and your partner will remember for the rest of your lives. Before you pop the question, there are a few things you should know. Cupid has some tips:

**1. Surprise yourself:** When it comes to the proposal, don’t plan a single thing. Surprise yourself. Go with your gut and get down on one knee when it feels right. Don’t worry about the place, time, who’s around, etc – you’ll know when you’re ready to ask your honey for their hand in marriage. They won’t be expecting it and neither will you.

**2. Not a peep:** Don’t tell anyone about your plans to ask your significant other to marry you. If you do, they might start to act different around your partner and give everything away. Keep your cool and keep this little secret to yourself until you’re ready to tell the person who really matters.

**3. Be creative:** Proposing at places like a restaurant or park are unoriginal and boring. Do something different. Create a video proposal or something else that would be fun and interactive. This is the time to show your honey how much you care about them and want to spend the rest of your life with them.

**What are some other ways to pull off a surprise proposal?**

**Comment below.**

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# Katy Perry and John Mayer Look at Engagement Rings Together



by Priyanka Singh

According to [Hollyscoop.com](http://Hollyscoop.com), celebrity couple Katy Perry and John Mayer might be tying the knot in the near future. A source close to Perry revealed to [Hollyscoop](http://Hollyscoop.com) that the musical duo have been looking at engagement rings, so the prospects of them making it official could be right around the corner!

The source also shared that the pop princess wants a green engagement ring since that happens to be her favorite color. "They want to have a small wedding, one of those you don't hear about until it is all said and done. They live with each other now and are practically already husband and wife."

The couple enjoys the company of each other so much that they tend to keep to themselves and go out very sparingly unless it's necessary for work. As the source explains, "They prefer hanging out at home and just being with each other. They are both kind of over Hollywood and everything that comes with it."

Their relationship certainly seems to be on a deeper level. "Katy knows that John is her soul mate and everything she has been through has led her to him. And John has said he will never love another woman like he loves her. She has redefined his definition of love."

Keep your eyes open for a green rock on Katy's left ring finger!

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## **'Glee' Star Dot-Marie Jones Is Engaged to Longtime Girlfriend Bridgett Casteen**





By Kerri Sheehan

Coach Beiste is set to walk down the aisle! Glee star Dot-Marie Jones is officially engaged to girlfriend Bridgett Casteen. Jones, who is best known for her role as gym teacher Shannon Beiste on Glee, proposed to Casteen in Disneyland on Friday October 4th. According to [UsMagazine.com](http://UsMagazine.com) she said, "It's the happiest day of my life. I never thought I'd find somebody that is so loving and kind."

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

### **Cupid's Advice:**

It can be hard to tell if the relationship you're in is a lasting one. Let Cupid help you decide if your lover is your forever:

- 1. You open up:** In the perfect relationship both halves are completely honest to their partner and themselves. Putting on a front and hiding how you really feel is the best way to destroy a relationship.
- 2. Disagreement is okay:** Being together isn't about getting along one hundred percent of the time. Sometimes you have to disagree in order to keep your relationship strong.
- 3. Fireworks:** When you've truly found the one you should still

being seeing fireworks even months into the relationship. When making your love your last you should still get butterflies when you're with them.

How did you know you found "the one"? Share below.

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# Carson Daly is Engaged to Longtime Girlfriend Siri Pinter



By April Littleton

A source revealed to [UsMagazine.com](http://UsMagazine.com) that Carson Daly is engaged to his girlfriend of six years, Siri Pinter. Daly and Pinter have two children together, son Jack, 3 and daughter Etta Jones, 13 months.



## **How do you know when it's the right time to get engaged?**

### **Cupid's Advice:**

The decision to marry someone is probably the biggest one you'll ever make. You might be ready to marry your significant other, but there are a few things you need to consider before accepting a proposal. Cupid has some tips:

**1. On the same page:** You and your partner want the same things in life. You've talked about your future together and it's obvious you have similar goals. The two of you have already agreed on where you'll live, how many kids you want and how long the engagement will actually be. You don't have to agree with your significant other on everything. After all, you'll have your whole lives together to figure things out, but it's good to be on the same page with the important aspects of your life.

**2. No secrets:** You know everything there is to know about your honey and vice versa. Having an open line of communication is always a plus in a long-term relationship and it's the key to a lasting marriage.

**3. You just know:** When you've been with another person long enough and you're genuinely in love with them, it's only fitting for you to be thinking about the next step in your relationship. You know you have a strong connection with your partner and you can't see yourself with anyone else. If you're confident in your decision to get married, then go for it and good luck!

**How did you know it was the right time to get engaged? Share your experience below.**

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# Kaley Cuoco Admits Surprise Engagement Seems 'a Little Crazy'



By April Littleton

A few days after [UsMagazine.com](http://UsMagazine.com) broke the news of Kaley Cuoco's engagement, the *Big Bang Theory* actress admitted that the proposal even shocked her. "He surprised me at the end of the night... [when] he popped the ring out. It was amazing," she told *Entertainment Tonight*. Cuoco and boyfriend, Ryan Sweeting have been dating for three months.

**How do you know when you're ready to tie the knot?**

**Cupid's Advice:**

You've been planning out all of the details of your wedding since you were young, and now you've finally found someone who could possibly be the one you spend the rest of your life

with. How do you know if it's really the right time for marriage? Cupid has some tips:

**1. You just know:** Sometimes you just know when someone is the right one for you. You're in love, have a great relationship and can't see yourself with anyone else. Some of your friends and family might not understand your decision to get married, but once they see the love between you and your partner as you walk down the aisle, they'll be more than OK with how things played out.

**2. Time:** You don't need to rush to get married. You and your significant other should think long and hard about the possibility of a future wedding and both of you need to agree that it's the right move to make. Remember, the importance of a marriage isn't about the wedding itself, it's about staying married to the same person for the rest of your life. Make sure you're ready for that.

**3. Friends:** If you're still unsure if you're doing what's best, talk to some of your friends. They can see your relationship from a different perspective than you can. How do they feel about your partner? Do they see it lasting long-term? Take their opinions and concerns to heart when you're making a final decision.

**How did you know when you were ready to tie the knot? Share your experience below.**

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# **Tennis Star Novak Djokovic Is**

# Engaged to Longtime Girlfriend



By Gabriela Robles

According to [People](#), Serbian champion tennis player Novak Djokovic is engaged to his long-term, high-school sweetheart, Jelena Ristic. The two met in high school in Belgrade and have been together ever since. Over the weekend in Monte Carlo, tennis star proposed to his girlfriend of eight years.

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

**Cupid's Advice:**

When you're in a serious relationship, most likely there's a chance for marriage to come along, but how do you know when you're ready? Sometimes it seems like there's a period where everyone around you is getting married – except you. Other times, you're not sure if you want to get married to this person you've been with, even though you love them. So how can

you be sure you're ready to tie the knot? Cupid has some suggestions:

**1. Talk about it:** One of the main rules in a relationship is to keep the lines of communication open. Whether you want to get married, or are not sure of it, talk about it. Make sure your relationship is going in the direction that you want it to. You have to both be on the same page or else you'll wind up where you don't want to be. One day, when the time is right – tell your partner how you feel about it. Talking about it is the number one step to figuring out if you're both ready.

**2. Think about it with yourself:** Take some time to think about it. When you go to weddings, do you wish it were you walking down the aisle? Do you watch *Say Yes to the Dress* every chance you get and know exactly what you want to wear on your wedding day? Do you see your partner in it with you? If so, then you're probably interested in marriage with him. You need to figure out internally if this is what you want.

**3. Be realistic about it:** You can't just run away and get married and everything will be perfect – even elopement doesn't result in a perfect marriage. You need to evaluate it realistically. You need to look at boring, less-mushy things such as financial situations, housing situations, family involvement, etc. If these things aren't figured out and you're just jumping into something that you haven't really thought through, you might regret it – which is the last thing you want to do with something like a marriage.

**How did you know when you were ready? Tell us in the comments below!**

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# 'The Bachelor' Alum Tierra LiCausi Ends Engagement



By Kristyn Schwiep

Reality TV star Tierra LiCausi's mystery engagement has ended, [People](#) reports. LiCausi, a villain from Season 17 of *The Bachelor*, flaunted a huge diamond ring on the Women Tell All reunion. According to sources, the break-up happened a few months ago. Unlike LiCausi, the most recent *Bachelor*, Sean Lowe, said to expect a celebrity wedding date announcement for him and fiancée Catherine Giudici.

**'The Bachelor' alum Tierra LiCausi wasn't destined for a celebrity wedding. How do you know when it's time to call off your engagement?**

## **Cupid's Advice:**

Getting nervous and having last minute questions about getting married arises in all engaged couples, but these aren't reasons to call off an engagement. Here are some signs that will help you know what it's time to call things off:

**1. Avoidance:** If you're looking for excuses to avoid your fiancée you probably want out of your relationship and love life. If you start to find yourself doing things to spend time away from your soon to be husband or wife it's probably a good sign to call off your engagement.

**2. Fights:** Fighting in a relationship is normal and planning a wedding can be stressful, but if you are fighting more than you are happy its time to call it quits.

**3. Gut feelings:** We all have gut feelings for a reason, so if you have that gut feeling that something isn't right in your relationship, it's probably a good idea to call off your engagement.

**How did you know when it was time to call off your engagement? Share your stories below.**

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# **'Saturday Night Live' Alum Andy Samberg Marries Joanna Newsom**







By April Littleton

A rep for the *SNL* alum Andy Samberg confirmed to [People](#) that he married singer-songwriter Joanna Newsom, Saturday, in Big Sur at the Post Ranch Inn. The couple dated for five years before getting engaged in February. When asked if the two would ever collaborate together, Samberg told [Glamour](#), “We’ve talked about it. But we’ve decided ultimately that her fans would probably murder me in my sleep. What she does is so, like, actually beautiful and important.”

**How do you decide how long of an engagement to have?**

### **Cupid’s Advice:**

Many couples start to plan the details of their wedding right after they decide to get engaged. While there’s nothing wrong with starting to prepare for your special day, this is also the time to just live in the moment with the one you’ve chosen to love forever. Cupid is here to help:

**1. Talk to your partner:** Once you get over the initial excitement of being engaged, you should sit down and talk to your significant other about when they envision getting married. You might want to tie the knot as soon as possible, while your honey wants to enjoy the engagement for awhile. There’s nothing wrong with waiting to make plans, but

compromise if you have to.

**2. Big or small wedding:** How long your engagement is will depend on how long it takes to prepare for your wedding. If you're dreaming of something extravagant, it's going to take some time to put all of your ideas in place. Keeping your special day small and simple with just a few friends and family members would be the best thing to do if you don't plan on being engaged for longer than six months.

**3. Road blocks:** There's no rush to get married, especially if you or your partner have other priorities. For example, your love just started a new job and you're in your last semester of school. Tie off any loose ends before jumping over the broom. You can get your life started together without saying 'I do.'

**How did you decide how long your engagement was? Comment below.**

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## **Miley Cyrus and Liam Hemsworth: The Wedding is Off**





By April Littleton

According to [People](#), reps confirmed Monday that the once happy couple called off their engagement. Their relationship has been rocky since earlier this year, with matters only getting worse following Cyrus' raunchy VMA performance. Over the weekend, the "Wrecking Ball" singer unfollowed Hemsworth on Twitter.

**How do you know when to call off your engagement?**

**Cupid's Advice:**

Everyone dreams of a fairytale wedding and a picture perfect romance, but real relationships almost never work out that way. Having a lifelong partner takes commitment and dedication. You'll fight, break up and make up countless times. How do you know the person you're with is really the one for you? You might be in a rush to get married for all the wrong reasons. Cupid has some advice:

**1. Constant fighting:** Arguments are common in any relationship, but if that's all you and your significant other seem to be doing lately, then there might be bigger problems that need to be dealt with. Communication is the key to a successful marriage. You can't expect yours to work if the two of you can't seem to talk out your differences without a

shouting match erupting.

**2. Loss of interest:** While it's healthy to spend some time alone or with a group of friends, it's a bad sign if you choose to avoid seeing your partner altogether. If you have no desire to be around your honey, why are you even considering spending the rest of your life with him/her? Reevaluate what's left of your relationship and call off the engagement.

**3. No trust:** Signs of infidelity in a relationship will cause both partners to lose trust in one another, even if only one person was caught in the act. A couple can't flourish if one person fails to be completely open and honest with the other.

**Have you called off an engagement? Share your experience below.**

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## **Christina Milian Doesn't Deny or Confirm Engagement to Jas Prince**





By April Littleton

Sources told [People](#) that Christina Milian is engaged to her longtime boyfriend, Jas Prince, but she's neither denying or confirming the news. "I'm definitely in love with someone," she said. "I'm in a very happy relationship, a very stable relationship, which is great and he's very supportive."

**What are some ways to keep your engagement under wraps?**

### **Cupid's Advice:**

You're engaged, but you're not ready to share the exciting news just yet. How do you keep something as big as an engagement a secret from all of your loved ones? Cupid has some advice:

**1. No rings:** Hold off on wearing an engagement ring until you're ready to spill the beans to your family and friends. Rings are a clear giveaway to what you and your partner have in store, so if you want to keep the curiosity at a minimum, wear a new necklace or a bracelet instead.

**2. Don't tell your best friend:** This might be a tough one for you, but if you really want to keep the details of your engagement to yourself for a little while longer you need to avoid telling your best friend. If you tell one person, you'll

end up telling another. Even your best friend might accidentally spill your secret to someone if they're not aware that you want to keep it private. To avoid any unnecessary drama, just keep it to yourself until you're ready for everyone to find out.

**3. Avoid any wedding talk:** Your friends and family will get suspicious if you're constantly talking about weddings or if your place is cluttered with bridal magazines. Don't contemplate over bridesmaids dresses or what kind of topper you want on your wedding cake in front of your loved ones unless you want them to find out about your engagement sooner rather than later.

**What are some other ways to keep your engagement under wraps? Comment below.**

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## Christina Milian is Engaged





By April Littleton

Congratulations are in order for Christina Milian and her longtime boyfriend Jas Prince. The couple began dating in 2010 and have been engaged since May. “He’s a great match for her,” a source close to Milian told [People](#). Milian was previously married to music producer The Dream. The pair separated in 2010 when pictures surfaced of him being straddled by his assistant. Milian was pregnant with their daughter, Violet, at the time.

**How do you avoid becoming jaded about marriage after a divorce?**

### **Cupid’s Advice:**

Marriage is meant to last a lifetime, but sometimes it doesn’t work out that way. You’ve been through a divorce and now you’re in a relationship you can see yourself being fully committed to. After everything you’ve been through it’s tough to stay positive and remain hopeful for a long lasting commitment. Cupid has some advice:

**1. Don’t repeat the same mistakes:** Think about what went wrong in your previous marriage. What was your role in the downfall of your relationship? Own up to your mistakes and prevent yourself from repeating history with your new honey. Don’t



blame your current partner for what your old one may have done to you in the past.

**2. Talk to someone:** Before you commit to your significant other, talk to a few loved ones or a therapist about any unresolved issues over your last relationship. You might not be as over the divorce as you think. You need to be able to openly express your worries and doubts over a new marriage. If you don't, you may never move forward with your life.

**3. Take all the time you need:** There's no need to rush to tie the knot again. Many divorcees wait years before remarrying again. If your honey is serious about what the two of you have and is in it for the long run, he/she will wait until you're ready to take the next step with them.

**How did you avoid becoming jaded about marriage after a divorce? Share your experience below.**

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## **Lance Bass is Engaged to Michael Turchin**





By April Littleton

A source confirmed to [People](#) that Lance Bass is engaged to artist Michael Turchin. A week after his reunion with the other 'NSYNC bandmates for the VMAs, Bass revealed that he popped the question to his longtime boyfriend. "He said YES!! Love this man," Bass wrote on Instagram Sunday with a photo of the couple showing off the engagement ring.

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

### **Cupid's Advice:**

You know you're in love, but you're not sure if you're ready to make such a huge commitment to your partner. Marriage is a big step and it's not something that should be taken lightly. If you're certain that your honey is the one you can't imagine spending your life without, Cupid has some tips:

**1. Think about what's important:** Before you start planning your dream wedding, it's crucial to know if you and your significant other will match well in the long run. What are his/her long-term goals? How will the two of you solve any future issues? Does your sweetie want kids? It's not a good idea to enter a marriage without knowing the answers to these questions. Some of the feedback you get from your partner may change with time, but for now, you'll need a general idea of

how compatible the two of you will be once you've tied the knot.

**2. Your loved ones approve:** You can't get married to someone your family and friends don't love just as much as you do. Well, you could, but don't count on a big turnout at your wedding. Choosing someone to spend the rest of your life with is a big deal and your loved ones should be included on your journey to find someone special. After all, your family knows you better than you know yourself. If they don't dig your partner, there might be a reason why.

**3. You make each other better:** You and your honey are two peas in a pod and it shows whenever you're out in public together. Does your partner give you that little extra incentive to be better as a person? Are you nicer to others? Has your patience rubbed off on your boo? Marriage might be in your near future if the two of you bring out the best in each other.

**How did you know when you were ready to get married? Share your experience below.**

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## **Paulina Gretzky Is Engaged to Pro-Golfer Dustin Johnson**





By Kristyn Schwiep

Paulina Gretzky is engaged to pro-golfer, Dustin Johnson. Gretzky confirmed the engagement via Instagram on Saturday, Aug.17. "Never Been Happier @djohnsonpga," the Canadian 24-year-old wrote, sharing a picture of the two kissing. According to [UsMagazine.com](http://UsMagazine.com) the couple has only been dating since early 2013.

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

### **Cupid's Advice:**

Deciding when to get engaged is never easy. So how do you know when you're ready to get engaged? Cupid has some advice for you:

- 1. Been living together:** Living together is a crucial part of being married. If you have been living together for a while you are ready to get engaged. Living together is one of the hardest parts of being married so if you have been living together for quite some time you are ready to get engaged and be fully committed.
- 2. Ready to start a family:** If you are ready to start a family together you should take the next steps toward starting a family. Getting engaged is one of the first steps of starting

a family

**3. Your family is on board:** Having both your families support your relationship is a great indication on whether or not you are ready to get engaged. If your family backs you up take the leap and get engaged.

**How did you know when you were ready to get engaged? Share your stories below.**

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# Jana Kramer and Brantley Gilbert Split



By April Littleton

A source confirmed to [People](#) that the country singers have ended their engagement. "They are both so busy right now. They are both on the road and have to spend a lot of time apart,

which isn't ideal for any couple, let alone a couple trying to plan a wedding," the source said. Kramer was married to Jonathon Schaech for one month in 2010.

## **What are some ways to call off an engagement with class?**

### **Cupid's Advice:**

The end of an engagement is never a pleasant situation to experience, but if you know the marriage between you and your partner won't work out, it's best to end things now rather than go through a divorce months after the wedding. Cupid has some advice:

**1. Face to face:** The worst thing you can do is break off an engagement via email or text message. Situations like this are best handled in person. Take your significant other somewhere where the two of you can talk without any interruptions and explain to him/her why you don't want to get married. Don't hold anything back. Be completely honest with yourself and your partner.

**2. Don't get defensive:** It's only fair that your honey get upset over the things you're telling him/her. If he/she yells at you, don't yell back. Keep yourself as calm and composed as possible. Apologize to your partner and let them know you're truly sorry for hurting them. Be polite and show that you still care for them.

**3. Give the ring back:** If the engagement is truly over, you need to return the ring to your significant other. Keeping the ring may send mix signals. Your partner might continue to pressure you into doing something you've already told them you're not ready for.

**How did you call off an engagement? Comment below.**

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# Alex Pettyfer and Riley Keough Are Back Together Again



By April Littleton

Riley Keough was seen with her ex-fiance, *Magic Mike* actor Alex Pettyfer, at the L.A. premiere screening of Lee Daniels' *The Butler*. "There was definitely warmth between Riley and Alex. They were laughing together and smiling at each other," an onlooker told [UsMagazine.com](http://UsMagazine.com). Another eyewitness reported seeing the duo "holding hands" in the VIP area. The couple first appeared together in October 2011. Six months later, Keough stepped out with an engagement ring, but before the year was up, the lovebirds called off the wedding.

**How do you know when it's time to give your ex a second**



**chance?**

### **Cupid's Advice:**

Lately, you've been hanging out around town with a certain ex of yours. You can't quite figure out what it is about this person, but you find yourself reconsidering the possibility of you two being an item again. Would getting back together be a mistake or a decision you'll never regret? Cupid can help:

**1. Acceptance:** If you've already accepted what happened between the two of you in the past, you might be ready to start fresh. You can't reminisce over the old times. You have to acknowledge what went wrong in your relationship and have the ability to move on from it. If you're thinking about becoming a couple again, there's no need to hold on to any anger or guilt. You want to start things off positive. Don't pick up the relationship where it left off. The two of you won't last if you continue to make the same mistakes.

**2. Forgiveness:** Accepting the situation that happened between you and your ex won't happen if you don't forgive each other first. Giving each other a second chance won't work out if the two of you are still blaming each other for whatever went wrong. Instead, work toward holding yourself accountable for what happened and try to let go of all bad feelings.

**3. Communicate:** You need to be able to express how you're feeling to your old flame. You're thinking about getting back together? Make sure they're aware of that. Your ex might have unresolved feelings toward you as well and may be afraid to speak up first. Communication is key in a good relationship. Start things off right by having a genuine conversation.

**How did you know it was time to give love a second chance? Share your experience below.**

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# Michael Polish Knew He Wanted to Marry Kate Bosworth Before They Dated



By Petra Halbur

It seems love at first sight might really exist, according to Michael Polish. The 42-year old director met his current fiancée, Kate Bosworth, in 2011 on the set of *Big Sur*. According to [UsMagazine.com](http://UsMagazine.com), they didn't begin dating until after filming wrapped but Bosworth told the September issue of *InStyle UK* that "I never even dated my husband-to-be ... He said to me after just a few weeks, before we were even together, 'I'm going to marry you.' He just knew."

**What are some ways to know you've found "the one?"**

## **Cupid's Advice:**

You've been seeing someone for a while and you're beginning to think that he or she just might be "the one." This is a big step. How do you know for sure? Cupid has some advice:

**1. You want the same things in life:** Emotional and sexual compatibility mean nothing if you two can't make a life together. Compromises are inevitable in a relationship but fundamentally, "the one" will want the same things in life that you do.

**2. You feel good about yourself:** "The one" should bring out the best in you. If you feel inadequate with your partner, that's a sign that you two are not meant to be.

**3. You just know:** Over-thinking can only get you so far in matters of the heart. Ultimately, you either know that your partner is "the one" or not.

**How did you know you'd found "the one"? Tell us below.**

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# **What Is Christina Ricci's Favorite Thing About Being Engaged?**





By Kristyn Schwiep

Christina Ricci and James Heerdegen are officially engaged. According to [People](#), it takes just one word to make Ricci smile. “Getting to say ‘fiancé’ instead of ‘boyfriend,’ ” is the engaged actress’s favorite thing about her relationship status, she told PEOPLE at Sunday’s Citi-sponsored *Smurfs 2* premiere in N.Y.C. Ricci is looking forward to calling Heerdegen her husband. “I can’t wait for ‘husband’ because then I can really throw my weight around,” Ricci said.

**What are some benefits to being engaged versus boyfriend/girlfriend?**

### **Cupid’s Advice:**

Getting engaged is not only a fun and exciting time in your relationship, but there are some benefits to being engaged versus boyfriend/girlfriend:

**1. Satisfaction:** Both partners have the satisfaction and peace of mind that you are both in a stable and committed relationship. You don’t fear that your partner has the need to be with anyone else. Being engaged makes you feel confident in your relationship in that everything will work out. Being able to put your fear at rest will allow you to love your partner more and allow you to be more happy and

trusting without jealousy and stress.

**2. The Ring:** Having a ring on your finger that is publically displayed has its benefits. Wearing an engagement ring can make you feel more confident and loved and it allows people to know that you are in a committed and loving relationship. This ring will seem to make jealousy go away and will make you feel safe when your partner is not with you and out with their friends.

**3. Planning your future:** When you are engaged you get to plan a future with someone you love. The wedding, children, your careers and your whole life is now shared with someone you will be with for the rest of your life. Just think of all of the special memories you'll get to share with one another.

**What do you think are some benefits to being engaged? Share your thoughts below.**

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## **'Charmed' Star Rose McGowan Is Engaged to Davey Detail**





By Kristyn Schwiep

Former *Charmed* star, Rose McGowan, is engaged to artist Davey Detail, [People](#) confirms. McGowan, 39, previously dated Marilyn Manson and was engaged to her Grindhouse director Robert Rodriguez in 2007. McGowan and Detail have been dating for a year. McGowan told *People* last November that sloppy kisses are her dating deal-breaker. "That's the worst," she said. "You could find the hottest guy on the planet and if he's a bad kisser, it just doesn't work."

### **What are some dating deal breakers?**

#### **Cupid's Advice:**

There are certain traits that will have you running for the hills. Cupid has some advice for you:

**1. Lack of honesty:** Want to keep a relationship strong and growing? You need to make sure you do not lie about major things. We all tell little white lies, and even though they may be annoying, they won't totally break the deal. But, don't lie about things such as relationship status, medical history, children, or a criminal record if you want to make things work. Remember, honesty goes a long way.

**2. Jealousy:** Jealousy can turn from cute to bad very soon. In

the beginning of a relationship joking about leaving your partner for someone else, or calling several times to say hello seems okay. But when your partner starts checking your phone or stopping by your place unannounced things might become dangerous. Don't let jealousy ruin something that could be great, so make sure you trust your partner because if you don't things can go sideways quickly.

**3. Not having your own life:** When you're in a relationship and your partner is your best friend it is one of the greatest feelings in the world. You have someone to spend lazy days with or have someone to help you through hard times, but be sure to maintain a relationship with your own group of friends. It's good to be friends and go out with your partners group of friends, but sometimes it is very important to go out with your own group of friends and then try meeting up after. Time apart only makes the heart grow fonder.

**What are some of your dating deal breakers? Share your thoughts below.**

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**Brooke Hogan Engaged to  
Dallas Cowboy Player Phil  
Costa**







By Kerri Sheehan

Former reality television star and daughter to Hulk Hogan, Brooke Hogan got engaged this weekend in Las Vegas, Nevada, reported [UsMagazine.com](http://UsMagazine.com). Her future hubby, Dallas Cowboys player Phil Costa popped the question with The Paris Hotel's Mock Eiffel Tower in the background.

**What are some ways to announce an engagement?**

**Cupid's Advice:**

An engagement is a huge step in a relationship. It's important to make sure you let friends and family know in the right way. Are you ready for everyone to know your special news? Cupid has some advice:

**1. Call:** Your dearest friends and family should be informed with a quick phone call. Making the decision to get married is a big one, so make sure you share the news with those who are closest to you first.

**2. Send a letter:** The days of snail mail may be slowing down, but you can still utilize it to send out an announcement. This method is more personal than a Facebook post, so the rest of your friends and family who didn't get the news through a phone call won't feel left behind.

**3. Say Cheese:** An engagement is a special time in any relationship. What better way to commemorate the time than with a photo shoot! You and you soon-to-be-hubby can post the pictures on Facebook to let your pals know of the wedding proposal.

**How did you announce your engagement? Share below.**