Matthew Morrison and Renee Puente Are Engaged





By Kerri Sheehan

Glee star Matthew Morrison popped the question to girlfriend Renee Puente Thursday night according to <u>People</u>. The couple has been together since 2011 and announced their engagement at the White Tie and Tiara Ball in London.

How do you know when your partner is ready to settle down?

Cupid's Advice:

Marriage is a big leap and not knowing if your partner is ready to make a serious commitment to you can be frustrating at times. Are you ready to make that long walk down the aisle, but not sure if your significant other is? Cupid has some advice:

- 1. Financial independence: Many individuals have school loans and lots of other financial woes to deal with these days. Once a man has made the move to stabilize himself financially, then he may be ready settle down and commit.
- 2. Baby talk: If a guy is clearly ready to be a father, then there's no question that marriage is just around the corner. Marriage is a natural progression that leads to fatherhood.
- 3. You're invited to family functions: If he's in it for the long haul, then he'll want you to be comfortable with his family. Once he considers you a part of his family, you know he's ready to settle down and get married.

Do you think your guy is ready to commit? Share below.

Celebrity Couple Holly Madison & Pasquale Rotella Are Engaged





By Marisa Spano

For Holly Madison, first comes the baby and next comes her marriage. Just three months after welcoming her daughter Rainbow Aurora, Madison announced that she is ready to wed her boyfriend Pasquale Rotella, according to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>. She wrote in her blog that her husband proposed to her at the top of the Ferris Wheel at EDC Las Vegas.

What are some creative ways to propose at an amusement park?

Cupid's Advice:

Theme parks are made so people can have fun. If you want your marriage proposal to be something neither of you will ever forget, an amusement park location might be just the ticket. Cupid has some tips:

- 1. Ferris wheel: Why not copy Holly and her soon-to-be hubby and propose on top of a ferris wheel? It's very romantic as you look out over the rest of the theme park. Perhaps do it at night when lights will be twinkling below.
- 2. Speakers: Arrange to have the amusement park pop the question over their loud speakers.
- 3. Scavenger hunt: Send your sweetie all over the park on a

wild scavenger hunt. At the last stop leave an envelope, with the question inside.

What are some ways you would propose at an amusement park? Let us know below.

Celebrity News: Are Kanye and Kim Ready to Tie the Knot?





By Petra Halbur

Now that Kim Kardashian's well-publicized pregnancy is over and beautiful baby, North West, has been introduced to the world, media attention has turned to the next phase of Kardashian and Kanye West's relationship. Are they going to get married? A source confided to <u>People</u> that a wedding may be somewhere on the horizon but for now the new parents' top

priority is their daughter. "I can't imagine them not getting married," the source assured. "That's in their future!"

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

Cupid's Advice:

If you're in a loving and committed relationship, perhaps the possibility of marriage has entered your mind. But how do you know that you're ready? Cupid has some advice:

- 1. You think in terms of "we": When you're married, you don't get to be #1 anymore. 2 years in the Peace Corps? A job offer in Tokyo? As a single person, you have the right to drop everything and pursue such opportunities without a second thought. But as a spouse, you have to take your partner into serious consideration. If you're not prepared to put another's needs ahead of your own, then you're not ready to get married.
- 2. You want to spend the rest of your life with him/her: With the high divorce rate in this country, it's easy to forget that marriage is supposed to be a lifelong commitment. If you can't imagine yourself spending the next 50 years with your partner, then call off the wedding- now!
- 3. You know who you are: Soul-searching and growth will always be a part of your life but you need to be comfortable in your own skin before you get married. Confidence and self-respect are not things that your spouse can give you. If you're expecting matrimony to fix you or provide you with an identity, then your marriage will be doomed from the get-go.

How did you know that you were (or weren't) ready for marriage? Tell us below:

Celebrity News: Greg Louganis Is Engaged to Johnny Chaillot





By Marisa Spano

Olympic diving champion Greg Louganis is about to dive into marriage. He and his partner, paralegal Johnny Chaillot, will be tying the knot this fall, reports <u>People</u>. "I finally found my soul-mate the more I fall in love with Johnny, the more I fall in love with myself," he said. Louganis is widely considered the greatest diver in history. During his career, he earned a total of five Olympic medals, five World Championship titles and 41 national titles.

What are some ways to tell you've met the person you're going to marry?

Cupid's Advice:

Dating is just the journey in looking for the 'one', but how

do you know when you've found that person? Cupid has some advice:

- 1. Comfort: While there should be sparks, you should also feel like your wearing your favorite pair of sweatpants. You should not feel like you need to try too hard or be any better than you already are.
- 2. We comes before me: We are all wrapped up in our own individual journeys, but the moment you find the 'one' you put their needs ahead of your own.
- **3. Friends and family agree:** Usually when it's meant to be family and friends will welcome your partner with open arms.

How do you think you know when you're with the 'one'? Let us know below!

Comedian Marc Maron Proposes to Longtime Girlfriend





By Kerri Sheehan

Funny man Marc Maron proposed to his longtime girlfriend, Jessica earlier this month. According to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, Maron let the food do the talking. "I served her pancakes on her birthday and stuck the rock right in the middle of the top cake on the stack," he said. "We cried and laughed." After two divorces, this will be Maron third journey into the marriage world and he hopes that this one will yield successful results.

What are some creative ways to propose to your partner with food?

Cupid's Advice:

Everyone loves food, that's why it's a grand idea to use food to propose. Cupid has some ways to do it:

- 1. Picnic: This gesture is simple, but oh so romantic. The only thing lovelier than two lovers being one with nature is when food and diamonds are involved. Being surrounded by serenity will make the proposal truly authentic.
- 2. Favorite food: As their partner you should know what their favorite food is. Use that knowledge to your advantage and

place the ring right on top of the dish.

3. Play with your food: Try using the food to spell out the proposal. This is unorthodox and will really catch your girl or guy off guard. Some ways to do this are with either berries on a cake or maybe the pepperoni on a pizza.

Like these ideas? Share your own below.

Reports Say Joshua Jackson and Diane Kruger Are Close to Getting Engaged





By April Littleton

Joshua Jackson and his girlfriend of seven years Diane Kruger

might be saying their I Do's very soon. A source told <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, "Josh and Diane are very close to getting engaged. They decided they're ready for the next step. They're excited!" Although they insisted marriage wasn't in the cards for them, Jackson is set to propose to Kruger sometime this summer. Kruger was previously married to French actor and filmmaker Guillaume Canet from 2001 to 2006.

What are some ways to know it's time to get engaged?

Cupid's Advice:

Getting engaged is one of the biggest steps you can take in a relationship. Spending the rest of your life with someone is the ultimate expression of love and you want to be sure that you're making the right decision at the right time. Cupid has some advice:

- 1. You want the same things: If you and your partner see eye to eye on most of the crucial aspects of your lives, you might be ready for the final commitment. The two of you don't have to be on the same page on everything, but it's very important that you have similar wants and desires when it comes to the issues that will affect the future you two will eventually have together. For instance, if one of you isn't ready for children, it may not be a good idea to start talking about marriage either.
- 2. Your lives intertwine: It may be time to start thinking about getting engaged if you've already starting building a life with your significant other. Do the two of you do everything together? Have the same group of friends? If you already have a daily routine going, then you might as well continue to do it with a set of wedding bands on your finger.
- **3. You're in love:** You've been with your love for awhile now and you can't imagine being with anyone else. You're the happiest you've ever been in a relationship, and you feel like

you can be completely open and honest with your partner. There isn't a single secret you haven't shared with them and when you think about the future, you think of them. This is the sign you've been looking for. You're ready to pop the question and start living the rest of your lives together.

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

Rumor: Is Jennifer Aniston's Wedding On Hold?





By April Littleton

Rumor has it that Jennifer Aniston has put a halt to her wedding plans — at least for now. Justin Theroux and the former *Friends* actress have decided to slow down on their

plans to walk down the aisle to focus on their separate careers. Both actors have signed up for upcoming movie projects. A source who knows the couple professionally told <u>People</u>, "There are other priorities (besides marriage)."Another insider said, "They need to figure out a way to create a life that makes them both happy. Still, Jen can't wait to be (Justin's) wife."

What are some reasons to delay your wedding?

Cupid's Advice:

Postponing a wedding is never an easy decision, but it might just be the best thing for you and your partner to do. Unforeseen events can happen that will make continuing on with wedding plans almost impossible, but this shouldn't be a discouragement from the idea of marriage altogether. Cupid has some advice:

- 1. The stress: Sometimes the stress of planning a wedding can be overwhelming for a bride, especially if you're doing it without much help. When this happens, it's OK to take a break and get the focus back on the actual relationship, or maybe call in some reinforcements to help with the planning. Just because the wedding is postponed doesn't mean you won't get the chance to marry your significant other. It just means the wedding won't happen when you originally planned it.
- 2. Careers: In some situations, weddings will need to be put on hold because of the careers of the bride, the groom or both. You or your partner might get that promotion you've always dreamed of and may need to relocate to a new city. If this happens, you and your partner will need to decide on a new place of residence. Until you get all of that settled, you won't have much time to think about marriage.
- 3. Unexpected death: One of the most common reasons many couples delay their wedding is because of a sudden death of a

family member or friend. It wouldn't feel right to hold a wedding when so many people around you are in mourning. If you have to deal with an unfortunate situation like this, it would be wise to push back the wedding until after the grieving period has passed.

Did you have to delay your wedding or know some other reasons why it should be delayed? Comment below.

'Mad Men' Star Jared Harris Is Engaged to Longtime Girlfriend





By Marisa Spano

We would like to hope that Jared Harris is not mad, but rather

blissful! The former *Mad Men* star, 51, is engaged to beautiful, longtime girlfriend, Allegra Riggio. Harris' fiancé could not hold herself back from the excitement and posted a *Vine* video of her heart-shaped Erica Courtney sparkler, reported *People*. According to a release sent out by the jeweler, the heart-shaped diamond rose gold engagement ring was custom designed. That's enough to drive any girl mad.

How do you know what engagement ring to get for your bride-tobe?

Cupid's Advice:

Finding the right ring is a long and hard process. Cupid is here to help:

- 1. Pay attention: There are a lot of choices out there! Look at what your sweetheart wears on a daily basis. That should give you a clue of her style.
- 2. Bring a friend: Don't go to the jewelry store alone. There are going to be way too many choices. If possible, maybe even bring your love's mom with you. Mother's know best.
- **3. Do your research before:** before you even set your foot into a store be sure to read up on diamonds. There are a lot of things to know and if you go without any knowledge you are almost guaranteed to do wrong.

How would you get the perfect ring? Let us know 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 News: Jef Holm Says He and Emily Maynard Haven't

Spoken in 'Months'





By Petra Halbur

Jef Holm and Emily Maynard may have called off their engagement in October 2012, but Holm says that he has nothing but love for his former fiancee. "We haven't talked in the past few months. Last time we talked, things were in good spirits," Holm told <u>UsMagazine.com</u> of Maynard, whom he met on the <u>Bachelorette</u> last spring. He explained that Maynard, who has a 7 year old daughter, is a homebody, while he is looking for a more outgoing partner. "I hope the best for her. She's an amazing girl. She's just not the person I'm gonna spend the rest of my life with. I think she'll make somebody happy," he said.

How do you truly move on after a broken engagement?

Cupid's Advice:

Breaking off an engagement can be devastating. Your short term

and long term plans have both been drastically changed and, perhaps, you're unsure of how to face your new and uncertain future. Cupid has some advice to help you move on:

- 1. It's okay to be single: Finding yourself without a partner again is probably the hardest part of breaking off an engagement. While the transition may be difficult, know that you have friends and family who love you. Being single does not mean that you are not alone.
- 2. New goals: Your plans for married life have been put on the back burner (for now) so write yourself a list of new things that you want to accomplish. Remember, there are advantages to being single.
- 3. Love is still out there: It might be hard to believe right now, but "the One" is still out there. The end of your engagement does not mark the end of your love life.

How did you cope after your engagement was called off? Tell us below.

Celebrity Relationships: Why Celebrities Prolong Their Engagements & Hide Their Wedding Plans





By Lori Zaslow and

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It's no surprise that famous faces from Hollywood are pressured by their intense jobs and hectic schedules. The spotlight is always on them, but they don't want the same burden in their personal life. So how can they keep their romantic relationships out of the prying public eye?

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One way to feel in control is by prolonging their engagement, which ultimately adds time to the courtship phase of a relationship. After all, what's the rush? For example, Miley Cyrus wants to focus on her career instead. She's young, and it's important that she accomplishes her goals first so that she can truly enjoy the engagement phase. Similarly, Kristin Cavallari, who's currently planning a July wedding, has been engaged to Jay Cutler since 2011, but they decided to focus on raising their son Camden before tying the knot.

Your relationship is supposed to be one of the most sacred parts of your life — which is why many celebrities also hide their <u>wedding</u> plans from the press. For instance, Jay-Z and Beyoncé tied the knot in 2008 in a top-secret ceremony that

Beyoncé didn't speak about for six months after the fact! Justin Timberlake and Jessica Biel's wedding guests didn't even know the location of the event until right before the big day. Natalie Portman and Benjamin Millepied as well as Anne Hathaway and Adam Shulman are two more examples of celebrity couples who planned secret ceremonies.

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Of course, there are a few perks of a longer engagement, like lots of engagement gifts and more attention from friends and family. The only downfall to a longer engagement is...will they ever make it down the aisle?

For more information about Project Soulmate, click here.

Celebrity Couples in Interracial Relationships





By Courtney Allen

Rich, famous and in love... the characteristics we assume every celebrity couple embodies through their glamorous photos of romantic Caribbean getaways and riveting red carpet PDA. However, the image of every celebrity couple is different from how it's portrayed in the media.

Through their interracial relationships displayed in the media, celebrity couples show us there's more than meets the eye. Our fixation on Hollywood may be over-the-top, but whoever said we couldn't take away a solid lesson from it? We learn to accept love in all shapes, sizes and colors, especially in the case of these couples:

1. Kim Kardashian and Kanye West: The E! reality star and the outspoken rapper, who were originally old friends, hooked up just months after Kim filed for divorce from Kris Humphries. Even before their relationship, Kim and Kanye were no strangers to interracial love with a dating list that includes Miles Austin, Reggie Bush and Amber Rose. From the looks of it, the list will end here. Kimye are expecting their first child this year.

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- 2. Khloe Kardashian-Odom and Lamar Odom: The marriage of Khloe and Lamar is one we all can't help but love. The two lovebirds met back in August of 2009 and tied the knot just a few weeks after. Fans of the Keeping up with the Kardashians star and the NBA player had their doubts on whether the duo would make it. Three years later, the couple is still head-over-heels for each other. Now we're all patiently waiting for a Baby Odom.
- 3. Paula Patton and Robin Thicke: These high school sweethearts have turned into one of the most beautiful and successful couples in Hollywood, but it's been a long time coming. Patton hasn't always been comfortable with her interracial relationship with the singer. In an interview with Essence magazine, the actress admitted, "I didn't want all my high school friends to know that I'd fallen for a white boy." Lucky for Paula, the secret is out now. The couple is living a fairytale with their only child, Julian.

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4. Camila Alves and Matthew McConaughey: When Brazilian bombshell Camila Alves first met Matthew McConaughey in 2006, she had no idea they would be married six years later. Their 13-year age difference and ethnicity didn't stop these two from building a life together, having three kids and being named one of the hottest Hollywood interracial couples.

Who are some of your favorite celeb interracial couples? Share your thoughts with us!

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 *People*, 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: 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 *UsMagazine*, 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!

Celebrity Couples Who Don't Need Marriage to Prove Their Love





By Andrea Surujnauth

Some celebrities tend to run off and get married at the drop of a hat, while others seem to be doing their best to avoid walking down the aisle. After years of dating and one paparazzi shot after another, none of these celebrities have been spotted with a rock on their finger. We took a look at some celebrity couples that seem content to just be dating their sweethearts rather than getting hitched. Will they eventually tie the knot? Who knows, but until then, they belong on our Celebrity Couples Who Don't Need Marriage to Prove Their Love list:

Kourtney Kardashian and Scott Disick:

Here is a couple that has been through it all…except marriage. They have been dating for years and display their relationship on the Kardashian's shows *Keeping Up With the Kardashians*, *Kourtney and Kim take New York*, and *Kourtney and Kim Take Miami*. The couple has two children, Mason and Penelope. After all these years of dating and two children later, Kourtney still has not been spotted sporting a diamond of any kind.

Goldie Hawn and Kurt Russell:

The sweet Overboard couple have been together since 1983. They

have a son, Wyatt Russell. Hawn has two children from a previous marriage and Russell has a son from a previous marriage. Their children has since made them grandparents. After decades of tying the knot on screen in their multiple movies together, they have yet to take the big step in real life.

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Oprah Winfrey and Stedman Graham:

This couple has been exclusive since 1986 but after all the years of being in love, they have not officially jumped the broom. In November 1992, the couple made a step towards marriage when they got engaged, however, the wedding ceremony did not take place and we have not heard of anything since.

Michael Jordan and Yvette Prieto:

This long-time love story seems to have one hitch: no plans on getting hitched! They got engaged on Christmas Eve of 2011, but since then, there has been no talk of marriage from either party. Will the plans stop at an engagement? We'll find out!

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Lebron James and Savannah Brinson:

Maybe it's a trend with the basketball players these days, but it seems like James is following Jordan's game plan. After proposing to his high school sweetheart in 2011, James has not made any moves since. Now they have two kids and only engagement under their belt. Is the marriage in the works? No word about that for the past two years!

Kristen Bell and Dax Shepard:

This couple decided to take a stand against California by not getting married. They got engaged in 2010 and have a daughter

together, however, they refuse to get married until California passes a law allowing gay marriage.

What are your reasons for not getting hitched? 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.

Celebrity Couple Hayden Panettiere & Wladimir Klitschko Are Secretly Engaged





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: Elle Macpherson Is Engaged to Billionaire Jeffrey Soffer





By Andrea Surujnauth

Elle Macpherson and billionare real estate developer, Jeffrey Soffer, are engaged. According to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, the couple dated in the past, but split up in March 2012. While the two were broken up, Macpherson briefly dated financier Roger Jenkin. Macpherson and Soffer rekindled their relationship in November when he got into a helicopter accident and injured his vertebrae. News of their engagement was first announced on *Access Hollywood*. This will be Macpherson's second marriage. She was previously married to fashion photographer Gilles Bensimon. Macpherson also has two sons with ex-boyfriend Arpad Busson, 15-year-old Arpad Flynn and 10-year-old Aurelius Cy.

How do you keep money issues from affecting your relationship?

Cupid's Advice:

Money seems to be the center of many marital issues. How can you avoid having money issues mess up your relationship? Cupid is here with some advice:

- 1. Compatibility: When choosing a life partner, be sure to choose someone that has the same type of lifestyle as you. This does not mean that if you are wealthy, you should only go after a wealthy partner. Choosing someone with the same lifestyle as you means that if you are someone who enjoys living a luxurious lifestyle, you should choose someone who feels that same. If you like to spend your money on cars and vacations, being in a relationship with someone who rather save money can cause issues between the two of you. You need to choose someone that has similar values about money as you do.
- 2. Budget: When planning your budget, this should definitely not be done by only one person. The two of you should come together to do the budget. You are in a relationship so finances are are something that needs to be done by both of you.
- **3. Emergency fund:** Create an emergency fund together. When financial problems arise, that's when relationships tend to get rocky. If there is an emergency fund, you two lovebirds will be able to avoid fighting over money if any problem occurs that calls for some extra cash.

How do you keep money issues from affecting your relationship? Share your ideas below.

The Bachelor 17, Finale: Sean Lowe Proposes to Catherine

Giudici





By Jared Sais

Can you believe that this season of <u>The Bachelor</u> is over? Do you think Sean Lowe found his perfect match in Catherine Giudici? Let's take a look at the body language on last night's finale and see what it tells us...

Catherine

Similar to a white lie, white manipulation is when people manipulate for what they deem a good reason. Catherine is guilty of this behavior when she is talking one-on-one with Sean. Although she means what she's saying (she's not lying), there are times when she talks for his ears rather than from her heart.

After their one-on-one-date, as they said goodbye, they shared a long, loving hug, and both were wrapped around each other with a strong hold. You can even see Sean's forearm muscle tighten. Sean's hand went down to Catherine's butt, and he taps his hand on her (showing dominance and support) as she whispers, "I love you." Remember that a whisper is a sign of lust. Then, the couple's hands go from a tight hug to holding one another as if they were dancing. This is it: Catherine's the winner. I don't even need to watch the end of the show. After Catherine won (no surprise), they held each other again in this same way.

Sean breathes a sigh of relief when saying "I am so glad you're here." The blonde beefcake truly enjoys and cherishes her company; you can think of him as "at home" with Catherine. Think about when you come home from a long, hard day at work, and you can finally sit down and relax. You take a deep breath of relief; that's the same feeling Sean has when he's with her.

One micro-expression that's important to point out is Sean's genuine smile when looking at his future fiancée. Plus, his nose wrinkles, which is a strong sign of flirtation. Sean also pulled Catherine closer instead of Catherine pulling him closer, which is different than Sean and Lindsay's relationship because Lindsay usually reaches towards Sean for affection.

The bachelor and the Seattle native had an incredibly sincere kiss when they parted ways. Sean had a strong grip on her and showed a genuine and long-lasting smile with crow's feet around his eyes.

Catherine used open palms when speaking about Sean, showing her openness and vulnerability when sharing her feelings. Her voice cracks a bit throughout the show, meaning she's feeling strong emotions. It's a non-verbal sign of genuine sadness or a strong emotion of joy (happy tears).

It's important to note that both ladies showed real tears when talking to Sean's parents. If you've read my articles since

the beginning of this season, you already know the difference between real tears and fake tears. If not, check out my past recaps here.

Additionally, there were a lot of things that both ladies said that seemed like they were almost reading a script. They both started talking in a rhythm or a beat when asked personal questions by his family. Criminals or people telling lies usually use this speech pattern to try to cover up their actions or quilt.

Finally, when Catherine is walking to Sean to see if she would get his heart and that final rose, she bit half of her lip as the other half sticks to the side, indicating that she's nervous and scared. I would be too if I were her!

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Lindsay

I noticed a definite lack of eye contact when she was talking to the bachelor. It could be a culture thing, but it's most likely nerves; she feels uncomfortable with "emotional talks."

While there was a lot of sexual tension when Lindsay and Sean were talking about their future, one of Sean's arms was limp when they were kissing and sending up the lanterns. So he wasn't feeling the romance as much as usual; I think he already knew that his wishes for love, happiness and family were coming true with Catherine.

Lindsay kept looking at Sean when his parents asked a question, which tells me that she looks to him for approval. It also shows how dominant Sean is in their relationship.

We saw a great example of a non-verbal lie when Lindsay told Sean that she was okay after he didn't propose to her. At first, she nods her head yes but then shakes it no. This behavior was one of the things that I used throughout the season to identify any lies that Sean or the girls told. Still, Lindsay handled the bachelor's rejection with a lot of grace.

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Sean & His Family

Let's take a moment to talk about the bachelor and his skeptical yet supportive family.

First, when Sean said, "I know my family will love Lindsay as well," he shook his head no, meaning he doesn't believe what he's saying.

Both his parents showed crow's feet (wrinkles near their eyes) that represent true happiness when talking with Catherine.

His family members all shook their heads no when saying positive comments about both women, which tells me that they don't believe what they're saying. His mother, father, sister and brother-in-law have more doubt than they share with the bachelor, and they don't feel like either of these girls is right for him.

It's easy to see that Sean's mom is very emotional. When she starts crying, Sean instantly takes care of her, which explains his behavior with many of the contestants this season (always being the protector, giving roses to the girls who cried and shared sad stories). Maybe he had a soft spot for these ladies due to his emotional mother.

Conclusion

As a side note, **Lesley M.** and the host, Chris Harrison, had some sexual tension! She looked into his eyes as she pushed her hair back over her ears. They also reach out and touch each other on the back and arms. Lesley then bites her lower

lip. Definitely some flirting going on!

It's been an absolute pleasure working with CupidsPulse.com and being the body language expert during this season of *The Bachelor*. I had an amazing time using non-verbal cues to better understand Sean and the girls each week. I'm so thankful to my readers, and I hope you all have learned some non-verbal tricks during this journey.

Good luck in your search for love!

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Celebrity News: Liam Hemsworth Hangs in Australia While Miley Cyrus Parties Without Engagement Ring





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Miley Cyrus was spotted without her engagement ring on Wednesday, March 6. She was heading to her recording studio in an all-black outfit without her bauble, which caused murmurs of a troubled engagement, <u>UsMagazine.com</u> reports. Two nights in a row, <u>Hunger Games</u> star Liam Hemsworth was spotted several thousand miles away in Australia. The soon-to-be married couple have been portrayed in the media as going through a rough patch.

What are some ways to keep rumors and gossip from affecting your relationship?

Cupid's Advice:

When it comes to dating, all of your friends seem to be overly curious about your relationship. This curiosity often leads to false truths and rumors about you and your partner. Cupid offers some advice on how to save the relationship from the lies:

1. Talk it through: A nasty rumor is going around that you and your boyfriend might break up; confront him about it first. Address the rumor and find out why it started. It may have started because you two were arguing in front of your friends. If your disputes are causing people to think there's a problem

in your relationship, make sure there aren't any. Talking out your problems will create a solution for both of you, and will put an end to the rumors of a breakup.

- 2. Verify the lies: Sometimes, you hear rumors about your partner and wonder if they're true or not. Before worrying if your boyfriend actually cheated on you, tell him about the rumor. This way, you are not getting your facts from unreliable sources. If the rumor is not true, he will probably laugh at how ridiculous it all sounds. If you choose not to bring it to his attention, you will always be wondering if it is the truth—which may drive you a little crazy.
- 3. Remember the good: In any relationship, there are good qualities and bad ones as well. People tend to only see the bad ones, and let them stick out in their minds. If you tell your friends your partner snores in his sleep and has gross toenails, that's all they will talk about, making the situation sound a lot worse. Little nuisances such as these are no reason to end the relationship. Keep in mind all of the reasons you fell in love with your man—you already accepted his flaws, don't let your friend's opinions get to you now.

How did you and your partner ignore hurtful rumors? Share in the comments below.

Celebrity News: Miley Cyrus Says She Did Not Call Off Her Engagement to Liam Hemsworth





By Meghan Fitzgerald

We will still be expecting a wedding from celebrity couple, Miley Cyrus and Liam Hemsworth? Rumors have been flying that Miley Cyrus called off her engagement to her Australian hunk. Although the duo may have some problems, doesn't everyone? ABCNews states that the couple have very different personalities, which make the relationship challenging, however, the love is present which is all that matters. People reports that the two are working out their problems while planning for their wedding.

How do you keep rumors from ruining your relationship?

Cupid's Advice:

Relationships are hard in the first place, and than rumors are thrown into the equation. It is bound to get messy. Depending on how close you and your partner are, you may have to work harder to prevent rumors from wedging their way into your relationship. Social media stirs up this rumor-relationship pot even more, sometimes making it bubble over. Cupid has some

advice on how to keep rumors out:

- 1. Truth: Truth is essential to have when you are in a relationship, especially if rumors are present. For example, say your partner saw a member of the opposite sex text you. This could be a no-big-deal, so your mate asks you if 'Jamie' texted you, you say no. This than erupts into a spiral of accusations, yelling, and a whole lot of mess. Even if it is a serious matter and you don't wish to tell your beau, tell them anyways. Truth will always triumph.
- 2. Communication: You know what people say, communication is key? Well they are more than right. It is necessary to communicate sharply with your partner. If rumors are present, it is even more important that you both talk about everything going on. Doing this will wash the rumors out, and leave you both with a loving and happy relationship. If you don't communicate, and let all your emotions bottle up inside, they will inevitably explode out and cause catastrophe.
- **3. Respect:** You need to respect your partner, and your partner needs to respect you. If you or they don't, leave the relationship as soon as possible. With respect, even if you don't believe what your mate is saying, you need to go by them. If they say it is true, and the rumors are false, respect their honesty in confronting them and push the rumors away. Respect is the easiest way to get rid of the rumors for good.

Has rumors ever ruined your relationship? Share below!

Jennifer Aniston and Justin Theroux Can't Wait to Wed





By Andrea Surujnauth

According to <u>People</u>, Jennifer Aniston "is crazy about Justin [Theroux] and can't wait to be his <u>wife</u>." A source tells the magazine that "she plans on privately changing her name to Theroux. She likes the way it sounds and jokes that [Jennifer Theroux] sounds very posh." The source also spilled the beans about the couple already having their wedding bands designed and Aniston already having a wedding dress in mind. Plus, the twosome have set a date. The two lovebirds got <u>engaged</u> on August 10, 2012 when Theroux <u>popped the question</u> while they were celebrating his 41st birthday.

What are some last-minute ways to prepare for your wedding?

Cupid's Advice:

Planning a wedding calls for a great deal of organization and work. Time seems to be running out, but your to-do list keeps getting longer and longer. When you are down to the last-minute preparations, what are some things you can do to make sure it all goes well? Cupid has some suggestions for you.

- 1. Plan your outfits in advance: Get your wedding ensemble ready to go by making sure every accessory, including your jewelry, veil and shoes, are all in one place. Lay them out in the room where you'll be getting ready, and you won't have to worry about forgetting anything. It's also smart to plan your outfits for other weekend activities, like the bridesmaids' luncheon, rehearsal dinner and Sunday brunch.
- 2. Prepare an emergency kit: Put together an emergency kit for your big day. Include a sewing kit, extra money, portable iron, makeup, hair brush, hair spray, tissues, camera, breath mints, tape and safety pins. This way, you'll have a quick fix for any situation.
- **3. Stay in communication:** Go over all of the <u>wedding</u> details with your family and friends, and make sure everyone is on the same page. If you have forgotten something, turn to your Maid of Honor or mother for help. Assign different responsibilities to different people so that no one including you! feels overwhelmed.

What are some last-minute ways to prep for your wedding day? Comment below and let us know!

Backstreet Boy Singer Nick

Carter Proposes to Girlfriend Lauren Kitt





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Backstreet Boy singer Nick Carter planned the perfect proposal to girlfriend Lauren Kitt last week. Carter brought her to a secluded island in the Florida Keys, <u>People</u> reports. The ocean behind them—and their dog sharing the moment—set the scene for his romantic gesture. Kitt graciously said yes and jumped to hug her new fiancé.

What are some ways to surprise your spouse-to-be with an engagement?

Cupid's Advice:

You have been dating your partner for over 2 years and want to pop the question. You have discussed getting married dozens of times, but want the proposal to come as a surprise. Cupid gives some advice on how to make the moment romantic:

- 1. Create a scene: Proposing in public can be risky; what if she says no in front of everyone? The fact that you took a risk like that will make her feel loved and special. Propose in front of all her friends. This will make her realize how excited everyone is for her—which will make her giddy as well.
- **2. Make it spontaneous:** You don't necessarily have to plan the exact day and time to propose. Carry the ring around with you; the moment may come when you least expect it. You might find yourself going to a carnival. Proposing on the top of a Ferris wheel is the epitome of romantic. Her feet will literally be swept off the ground.
- **3. Someplace memorable:** Think of a location that holds a special meaning for both of you. Pop the question at her favorite restaurant or the place you first met her. She will notice how much time and effort you put into planning the proposal—and will realize it's her turn to start planning the wedding.

How did you propose to your partner? Let us know below.