



Kris looked dapper in a custom blue tuxedo and bow-tie from CARUSO FINE TAILORING.

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BRIT and TANNY KRIS

“ABOVE THE CLOUDS”
A DREAMY WEDDING INFUSED WITH MODERN AND WHIMSICAL DESIGN DETAILS



BRITTANY MACRI AND KRIS VERSTEEG—WHO NHL FANS ARE SURE TO RECOGNIZE AS A MEMBER OF THE CHICAGO BLACKHAWKS TEAM—MET THROUGH MUTUAL FRIENDS IN 2007. After six-years of dating, Kris proposed in the couple’s home with their beloved Bernese Mountain dog, Beauty, in tow.

The couple were married on July 19, 2014 in downtown Toronto. Melissa Andre of **MELISSA ANDRE EVENTS INC.** provided event design and full-service planning for the wedding. Brittany and Kris looked to Melissa to create an unforgettable event filled with unique, whimsical touches that reflected them as a couple. “Melissa and her team did an incredible job of making our day perfect,” says Brittany.

On the morning of the wedding, the couple got ready at the **THOMPSON TORONTO**. The bride wore a romantic, lace fit and flare gown designed by **INES DI SANTO** from the designer’s Toronto boutique. The gown featured a low back and a stunning long train. She accessorized her dress with a sparkly Swarovski bracelet and earrings. Her sheer, Cinderella-like Christian Louboutin pumps were purchased from **SAKS FIFTH AVENUE**. **MAKEUP IN THE CITY** styled the bride’s hair and Nikki Strachan provided makeup.

Brittany’s diamond engagement ring and the couple’s wedding bands were designed by **BASHERT DIAMONDS & FINE JEWELRY**. Bridesmaids were dressed in black strapless gowns designed by Bill Levkoff, purchased from **BLISS BRIDAL BOUTIQUE** in Whitby, Ontario. The women also wore identical Swarovski crystal bracelets.

All of the floral and decor for the day was produced by **MELISSA ANDRE EVENTS INC.**, including Brittany’s delicate, posy-style bouquet that perfectly suited the sweet summer wedding.

The traditional Catholic wedding ceremony took place at **ST. MARY’S CHURCH**.



A cocktail lounge area featured emerald green sofas from CONTEMPORARY FURNITURE RENTALS INC. topped with pink plaid pillows. Gold mirrored side tables paired with wooden log stools added to the elegant, summer garden-party feel of the evening. Guests indulged in oysters served on the half shell and Bloody Marys presented with mini bottles of Tabasco sauce.



Underneath a garden grid that spanned the ceiling, a beautiful set of awe-inspiring metal hot air balloon sculptures hung above the dramatically long head table. The whimsical balloon sculptures were filled with cascading bunches of soft pastel blooms and suspended from enchanting floral garlands.

“Beautiful cloud videos were projected on the walls and moved throughout the night, so guests felt like they were floating in the sky. The space looked like a dream.”

—BRITTANY



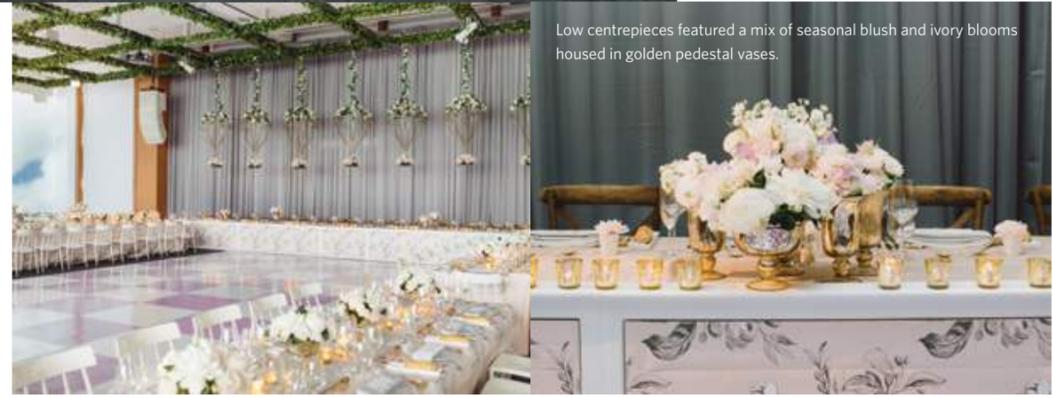
Low centerpieces featured a mix of seasonal blush and ivory blooms housed in golden pedestal vases.



MODERN FAIRYTALE

The reception unfolded at the ART GALLERY OF ONTARIO (AGO) in Baillie Court. The space was transformed into a whimsical garden oasis for the celebration. Guests were seated on white Pierre chairs from CONTEMPORARY FURNITURE RENTALS INC. at long tables covered with soft pink linens from AROUND THE TABLE. Tables were additionally topped with custom, pink floral-patterned overlays and light grey runners placed down the centre.

The room was partially draped by MICKI'S (part of THE EVENT RENTAL GROUP) in gorgeous grey fabric.





Place settings featured LOVE-shaped menus (designed by **MELISSA ANDRE EVENTS INC.**), along with luxurious flower-scented soaps wrapped in beautiful packaging.

SUMMER TOUCHES

The **AGO** catered a three-course meal that started with a goat cheese tartlet served warm on a salad made with baby lettuces, roasted cherries, and toasted Marcona almonds.

A custom, white and lilac-coloured dance floor with a checkerboard pattern was produced by **DANCE FLOOR DÉCOR INC.**

CAKE OPERA CO. created a spectacular, hand-painted, red velvet and chocolate hazelnut-flavoured wedding cake.

Kris and his groomsmen surprised Brittany with a performance of the song “Treasure” by Bruno Mars. **P PLUS CREATIVE** was on hand to capture the performance on film, having been commissioned by the couple to create a keepsake video of the day. A DJ from **SOLE POWER PRODUCTIONS** had the dance floor packed all night long.

Brittany and Kris followed their beautiful wedding with a honeymoon in Italy. They spent twelve days exploring different regions of the country, from Venice to Rome to the Amalfi Coast.



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