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From the Editor's Desk.....

It is with hearts full of gratitude that we step into the 10th successful year of Samyukta Wedding Show! This year is extra special since we are hosting our very first show in the UK, expanding far and wide. Team Samyukta looks back on the past few years' success, where global recognition and reach was achieved far beyond our dreams, and for that, we are eternally thankful to our guiding light and grateful to our vendors and supporters for the unwavering faith entrusted on us! We have truly become a global brand, having support from all around the world. As always, our pride and joy in releasing a new edition of the Samyukta Bridal Magazine each year, is one of the most cherished aspects of the event. This magazine keeps the name and core concept of Samyukta alive throughout the year, far beyond the day of the event. This magazine is what connects each annual event to the next, keeping the connectivity going like a beautiful garland of memories. In addition, the tremendous encouragement we have been receiving from our local and global audience has been our driving force to keep moving forward. The contents of this magazine are meticulously curated, keeping in mind our readers' expectations. For this purpose, we tirelessly work to keep up top notch standards and ensure our content is beneficial and inspirational to our readers.

The brand Samyukta was launched in 2016, with a small team of professionals, coming together to create a platform to unite talented individuals from various nooks and corners of the wedding industry. We want to make this event a one-stop-shopping experience for potential brides and grooms coming through on that day. To make it easier for them, the wedding magazine, released each year, supplements the experience at the show with all the information valuable to the attendees. Taking care to only add content of value and worth for the reader, Team Samyukta has collated a mixture of articles, real life stories, editorials and ads that will benefit the reader in more ways than one.

Team Samyukta has operated thus far with one purpose in mind and that is, each exhibitor who puts their trust and faith in us, reap positive rewards as a result of this event and stay with us, as a close knit family, true to the meaning of the Sanskrit word "Samyukta" - meaning united!!!

Our heartfelt appreciation goes out to all our contributors, photographers, trusted exhibitors, sponsors, make-up artists, stylists, models, coordinators and every single person who helped put together this edition of Samyukta wedding magazine!

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Narayani Manchuthan
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Soozana Pvan

A vision through her microscopic lens!

Soozana Pvan is a multidisciplinary artist with a background in both art and science. While she holds advanced degrees, including a Ph.D. in Cancer research, she balances her career in science with her true passion for photography.

Specialising as a timeless and editorial wedding photographer, Soozana focuses on capturing authentic moments with elegance. Her work is defined by its attention to detail, emotive storytelling, and a balance between candid and refined imagery, creating a collection of contemporary photographs that feel both modern and enduring.

Based in London, she seamlessly combines her scientific pursuits with her thriving photography career, traveling widely to bring her artistic vision to life while celebrating the unique stories of each couple she works with.

What drives your passion for photography, and how has your artistic vision evolved over time?

My passion for photography is rooted in the cultural richness of my memories growing up in Sri Lanka. It's shaped by the music I listened to, the journeys I've taken, the movies I have seen and my deep love for art. I have always been a quiet child – and my way of speaking was art.

I actually started as a painter—brushes and colours were my way of expressing myself. But when I chose to pursue a demanding career in science, painting slowly slipped out of my life. I simply didn't have the time anymore, and for a while, it felt like I had lost a part of myself.

That's when photography stepped in. It became my way to fill that creative void, to reconnect with my artistic side in a way that fit into my changing world. At first, I never thought it would lead me to wedding photography. Honestly, I didn't see this path coming—it wasn't planned, and it wasn't something I ever imagined for myself. But life has a funny way of surprising us, doesn't it?

Now, here I am, capturing love stories and turning moments into memories. Wedding photography has become such a meaningful part of my life. It's been an unexpected journey, but one that has brought me so much joy and fulfilment. I wouldn't trade it for anything.

How do you balance storytelling with aesthetic appeal in your work?

For me, storytelling and aesthetic appeal are deeply intertwined—they are two sides of the same coin, working in tandem to create images that not only captivate but also leave a lasting impression. I believe that a powerful photograph finds a delicate balance between beauty and the





story it conveys. The challenge is in harmonizing these elements, where visual artistry elevates the emotional depth of the narrative, rather than overpowering it. I'm drawn to creating a minimalistic, editorial style that still captures the essence of the moment—intimate, timeless, and full of meaning.

At weddings, it's not just the people who tell the story; the environment plays a big role too—the colours, textures, light, and even small details like the scent of flowers or the rustle of fabric. These elements set the tone for the day, and I make sure to incorporate them into the narrative. Whether it's the warm glow of golden-hour light, the harmonious colours of the décor, or the play of shadow and light, each detail helps create the mood. I use these cues carefully to make sure every photo feels alive and full of emotion.

What excites me most are the fleeting, unscripted moments—the slight hesitation before a kiss, the laughter that escapes when no one is watching, or the way sunlight dances across a scene. I love those imperfect moments, there's something so secretive and personal about them. These small, unplanned details hold so much authenticity and emotion, and they often carry the spirit of the day. I make it my mission to notice

these moments, to honour them, and to tie them into the larger narrative of the wedding.

Ultimately, every photograph should feel authentic, layered, and personal, while still carrying a sense of timelessness. It's not just about capturing a moment, but preserving its essence in a way that feels intimate and real.



How do you see the relationship between science and art in your life? Do you feel they complement each other or exist in contrast?

I see science and art as two deeply intertwined aspects of my life, each offering a unique perspective and a different way of understanding the world. At first glance, they might seem like opposites—science being logical, structured, and analytical, while art is emotional, intuitive, and creative. But for me, they complement each other beautifully and both extremes exist in me, in my personality too.

My background in science, particularly the obsessive attention to detail I developed as a researcher, has greatly influenced how I approach my photography. The precision, the constant striving for perfection, and the methodical way I observe the world are all qualities that bleed into my creative process. I'm someone who notices the smallest details—the tiniest imperfection in a composition, in the process of my editing—and that drive for precision comes from my scientific side. It's this aspect of me that often leads me to seek a sense of order and clarity in my work.

At the same time, my artistic side allows me to look beyond the facts and data. I use that same meticulousness to capture not just the visual but also the emotional and narrative depth of a moment. The minimalist approach I take with my photography— stripping away anything unnecessary—comes from my scientific mindset. I tend to



focus on the essential elements, letting each one serve a purpose, much like a well- conducted experiment.

The balance between these two worlds is where I find the most meaning. The scientific method teaches me to observe, question, and experiment, while art allows me to express and interpret those observations in a way that speaks to the heart. Both are essential to who I am as a person and as an artist. Together, they offer a deeper, more holistic way of seeing and engaging with the world.



What inspired you to pursue such distinct paths—science and photography? Was there a moment where you realized both were integral to your identity?

I never set out to pursue two such distinct paths—science and photography—it just happened naturally over time as each fulfilled a different part of me. Science was my foundation; I've always been drawn to understanding how things work on a deeper level, to observing and analysing the world in detail, and simply being this methodical girl that I am. It gave me structure, a sense of purpose, especially after losing a beloved friend to cancer at such a young age – I wanted to know more about cancer. But as

much as I loved science, there was always this creative energy within me, like some kind of creative soul, a wanderer of art.

I don't think there was a single moment when I realized how integral both were to my identity—it was more of a gradual realization. It's in the interplay between these two worlds—logic and creativity, analysis and emotion—that I feel most like myself. They may seem like separate paths, but for me, they're just different expressions of the same curiosity and passion for life.

How do you handle uncertainty in both your creative and scientific processes? Do they require a similar mindset?

Uncertainty is a natural part of both the creative and scientific processes, and I've learned to approach it with the same mindset. In science, uncertainty is a constant— you're always exploring the unknown, asking questions, and testing ideas without knowing the outcome. It requires patience, persistence, and a willingness to learn from failure, as even setbacks can lead to unexpected breakthroughs.

In photography, the uncertainty feels more fluid. You can plan every detail—lighting, composition, timing—but there are always things you can't control, like the weather, a fleeting moment, or an unplanned emotion. Instead of resisting it, I've come to embrace it. Some of my best work has come from those unpredictable moments when something real and raw breaks through.

Both science and art require curiosity, adaptability, and trust in the process. They've taught me to see uncertainty not as a barrier, but as a chance to grow and create something unexpected. It's shaped who I am—a person who doesn't give up, who sees every failure or setback as a stepping stone to something better. I don't let anything pull me down.





How do you deal with client expectations in photography?

Dealing with people's expectations in photography can be both challenging and rewarding. I've learned that communication is key—before any shoot, I take the time to understand what my clients envision and what matters most to them. Whether it's a wedding, a family portrait, or a personal project, I want to make sure I'm capturing something that feels authentic to them while staying true to my own artistic style.

That said, I've also come to realize that I can't please everyone, and I've grown more comfortable with that over time. Early on, I would often second-guess myself, worrying if my work would meet someone's expectations. But I've learned that my best work comes when I trust my instincts and stay confident in my vision. I remind myself that people hire me because of how I see the world, and staying true to that is what creates the most meaningful images.

At the same time, I think it's important to manage expectations realistically. Photography is full of variables, and not everything will always go according to plan. I'm honest about what's possible and do my best to adapt to the situation while still delivering something beautiful. I've found that when clients see how much thought and care I put into my work, they're more open to trusting the process—even when

things don't turn out exactly as expected. I am also so beautifully blessed with clients who actually understand that, and the amount of knowledge they have on photography today is growing and it's showing in the way the clients handle the outcome.

What kind of a legacy would you like to leave behind?

Through my photography, I want to leave behind a body of work that feels timeless, honest, and human. I want my images to tell stories that resonate across generations, capturing the beauty, emotion, and complexity of life. But more than that, I hope they serve as a reminder that there's value in paying attention to the details, in observing the world with care, and in finding meaning in even the smallest moments.

As someone who has walked the paths of both science and art, I also want to show that it's okay to embrace change and follow your passions, even when the journey takes unexpected turns. It's those twists and uncertainties that often lead to the most fulfilling experiences. If my work inspires even one person to explore their creativity or approach the world with a sense of wonder and curiosity, then I'd feel that I've left behind something meaningful. Most importantly, I want to encourage and empower more women to feel secure and confident in the field of photography. It can be intimidating to step into creative spaces, especially ones that have traditionally been dominated by others, but I want women to know that their perspectives and voices are invaluable. Photography has the power to tell deeply personal and transformative stories, and the more diverse the storytellers, richer those stories will be. If my journey helps even a few women step forward with confidence and claim their space in this world, then I'll feel that I've truly made an impact.


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Wanderlust Chronicles

A vision through her microscopic lens!

BY DUSHARA VIJAYAN

Europe has always been a dream destination for me, and I'm so excited to share my recent journey across some of the most beautiful and iconic places in the world. From the misty peaks of Snowdonia to the glittering streets of Paris, my travels have been a mix of serene landscapes, cultural gems, and of course, plenty of luxury. If you're someone who loves a balance of nature, adventure, and city life, my trip is a perfect inspiration for your next getaway!



Snowdonia: A Mountainous Escape in North Wales

I started my journey in Snowdonia, a stunning national park in North Wales. I've always wanted to explore the natural beauty of the UK, and Snowdonia truly exceeded my expectations. The towering mountains, lush valleys, and tranquil lakes make this place feel like something out of a storybook.

The moment I arrived, I could feel the peace of the landscape wash over me. The fog creeping over the mountain tops, the trails lined with ancient trees—this is the kind of place where time seems to slow down. I spent my days hiking through the park, reaching new heights with every step. The climb was tough, but the reward? Absolutely worth it. Standing at the peak and taking in that 360-degree view of the landscape was one of those "I can't believe I'm here" moments.



Blausee: Switzerland's Fairy-Tale Lake

From the rugged beauty of Snowdonia, I headed to Switzerland, a country that has long been on my bucket list. My first stop? The magical Blausee, or "Blue Lake," which felt like stepping into a fairy tale. The water here is so clear, it's almost unreal—an intense turquoise color that changes depending on the light. It felt like something out of a dream.

Walking around the lake, I was mesmerized by the surrounding forest, with vibrant autumn leaves floating on the water's surface. I spent a few peaceful hours here, just soaking in the tranquility. Whether you're looking to paddle, hike, or simply relax, Blausee is the ultimate escape for anyone seeking serenity in nature.

Paris: The City of Lights and Style

Next up was Paris—a city that lives up to every bit of its hype. Paris is glamour, style, and romance all wrapped into one. The streets, the cafés, the architecture—it's impossible not to feel inspired here.

I wandered through the Marais district, stopping for coffee and croissants, and of course, I couldn't miss the Eiffel Tower sparkling against the night sky. Paris has this energy that's hard to explain—every corner feels like a postcard, every building has a story to tell. From the grandiosity of the Louvre to the charming side streets, there's something endlessly captivating about this city.

"I think Paris might be one of those cities that just feels like home, no matter where you're from," I said to myself as I strolled by the Seine. I couldn't agree more!






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Switzerland: Interlaken and Beatenberg's Majestic Beauty

Leaving the chic streets of Paris behind, I found myself in Interlaken, Switzerland—a town known for its extreme sports and stunning natural beauty. Nestled between two pristine lakes and surrounded by the towering Alps, Interlaken is the ultimate outdoor playground.

But even beyond the adrenaline rush, I discovered a peaceful side to Interlaken that took my breath away. I also made my way to Beatenberg, a mountain village above the town, where the panoramic views of the Jungfrau region are simply incredible. There's something about being surrounded by these towering peaks and crystal-clear lakes that makes you feel so small—and yet so alive. I could've easily spent weeks here, just soaking in the landscape.

Milan: Italy's Fashion Capital

From Switzerland, I headed to Milan—a city I've always dreamed of visiting. As someone who loves fashion, Milan felt like the perfect destination. The city is a mix of high fashion, old-world charm, and modern sophistication, and I absolutely loved every minute of it.

Walking through the Galleria Vittorio Emanuele II, I felt like I was on a runway—designer boutiques everywhere, and the architecture is just jaw-dropping. Milan's combination of historic landmarks, like the Duomo, with its stylish shops and vibrant cafes, makes it a city that feels alive with energy. I even managed to catch a glimpse of The Last Supper by Leonardo da Vinci, which was a highlight of my visit.

For me, Milan is the place where fashion, art, and culture come together in the most seamless way possible. It's a city that makes you feel like you belong, no matter who you are.

Lake Como: Italian Tranquility at Its Finest

From Milan, I made my way to Lake Como, which was the perfect change of pace. This place is everything you imagine Italy to be: peaceful, picturesque, and completely enchanting. Surrounded by steep mountains, the lake's calm waters and quaint villages make it feel like a secret escape.

I took a boat ride across the lake, passing charming little towns like Bellagio—often called the "pearl of the lake." The views here were unlike anything I've ever seen. I couldn't get enough of the lush hillsides, the villas, and the serene waters reflecting the mountains. It's the kind of place where you can just sit back, relax, and let the world drift by.

London: The Iconic Ending

To finish off my European adventure, I headed to London, a city that never stops surprising me. London has this perfect mix of old-world charm and modern flair, and no matter how many times I visit, I always discover something new.

From iconic sights like Big Ben and the London Eye to trendy neighborhoods like Shoreditch, London offers a little bit of everything. I spent some time just wandering around, jumping on a red double-decker bus, and taking in the hustle and bustle of one of the world's greatest cities. London's energy is contagious, and I always leave feeling inspired and full of ideas.

Reflections on an Unforgettable Journey

Looking back on this trip, I feel so grateful for the chance to experience such diverse places in one journey. Each destination—from the peaceful lakes of Switzerland to the glamorous streets of Paris, the chic elegance of Milan, the serene beauty of Lake Como, and the endless adventure of London—left me with unforgettable memories and a deep love for travel.



As I pack my bags for the next adventure, I can't help but feel that wanderlust is an endless journey, and I can't wait to see where it takes me next.

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Our Love Story

From Teenage Rivalry
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They say there's only one person destined for you in this lifetime-someone who, no matter the distance, challenges, or twists of fate, will find their way to your heart. For Nag and me, that truth became our journey, and our story began in the most unexpected way.

Back then, we were just two teenagers navigating GCSEs and the chaos of growing up. Life revolved around textbooks, friendships, and figuring out who we were. Nag and I had mutual friends, but our paths rarely crossed. That changed when my desperate battle with maths led me to a tuition class.

I remember my first lesson vividly. I walked in, determined to focus, and sat opposite a boy with a face I recognised but had never really known.

"Hi, I'm Nag," he said with a smile.

"Hi, I'm Abi," I replied, shy but polite.

The lesson began, and I was on a mission to prove to myself that I could conquer numbers. Our tutor assigned us a problem to solve, and tor once, I felt like I understood it. My pen moved confidently across the page. Just as I finished, Nag leaned over and glanced at my book.

"Erm ... I think your answer is wrong," he said with a mischievous grin.

Offended, I snapped, "Don't tell me what to do," and turned away in a huff.

But he was right-I was wrong. That moment marked the beginning of our unusual connection. From then on, we became frenemies, constantly teasing

> ***Nag wasn't just my best friend or my rival in tuition class. He was my everything-the person I was meant to be with.***





and challenging each other in class, even texting insults tor fun. What started as rivalry blossomed into a deep friendship, one filled with laughter, arguments, and a closeness neither of us could ignore.

Yet, even as my heart whispered there was something more, fear held me back. What if I lost my best friend? What if things didn't work out? So, I convinced myself that friendship was all we were meant to be.

Yearspassed,andlifetookustouniversity. I had the chance to travel to India with my dance school, Narthanakalayam, tor a Bharatanatyam performance. Our journey led us to Chennai and then to Madurai, where we visited the iconic Meenakshi Amman Temple. It was the day before my birthday, and as I stood in the temple's grandeur, a quiet prayer escaped my lips.

"Amman," I whispered, "if Nag is the one meant for me, please send me a sign- your blessing."

Midnight came, and with it, my birthday. My phone buzzed with a Skype call. It was Nag, smiling through the screen, the first to wish me a happy birthday. I thanked him, grateful but unaware of what that moment truly meant.

















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The day after my birthday, my phone had flooded with calls and messages from family and friends trying to reach me. It turns out that everyone had contacted me for my birthday but was unable to reach me. No one-neither my father nor my sister-had been able to get through to me on my birthday. No one ... except Nag.

Coincidence? Maybe. But my heart said otherwise. It was as if Meenakshi Amman herself had answered my prayer, making sure his voice was the only one I heard on that special day.

In that moment, I knew. Nag wasn't just my best friend or my rival in tuition class. He was my everything-the person I was meant to be with



The Wedding - Welcome to Thailand Baby!

7 years later, we decided the time was right for two hearts to come together in one ceremony and we began wedding planning.

Nag & I are both travel enthusiasts ... we absolutely adore travelling, so we knew without a doubt that we would be having a destination wedding! Our hearts were set on Phuket, Thailand because we wanted our family & friends to experience the different culture, cuisine and just forget about their hectic lives and enjoy the sound of the clear blue seas. Let me tell you, it was definitely NOT easy planning a Sri Lankan Tamil Hindu wedding in Thailand.

We had to fly out our makeup artists and DJ from Malaysia. Jastina MUA, was the main makeup artist with her mother assisting her. As a bride, you typically have your makeup looks and hairstyles planned to a tee ... I was not that bride. I was consumed with sorting the whole wedding out, that I forgot to plan out my looks.

Thankfully Jastina worked her magic on me, I'd give her few ideas that I had for each event, as I sat on the makeup chair, and she just excelled in her work and made me look and feel amazing.





We also flew out our DJ from Malaysia, DJ Thana, who absolutely rocked the decks and brought so much energy and good vibes to all our events. He knew the right songs to play at the right time and there was never a dull moment on the dance floor when DJ Thana was on the decks!

As mentioned before, Meenakshi Amman Temple holds a special place in our heart. I was determined to get the Iyer who runs the temple to conduct our Hindu wedding, so we flew him all the way from Madurai to Phuket. The same Iyer also conducted my naming ceremony (31st day after you are born) and blessed us as we tied the knot. It was honestly a wholesome moment.

Videography

For videography we both were adamant on booking Iconique Dreams. His talent and dedication promised that every smile, every tear, and every tender moment of love would be beautifully preserved. What truly sets Marcki apart is his unique eye for detail and his ability to pour his heart and soul into every shot. Each shot felt like a work of art, thoughtfully composed to tell our story. The creative concepts and ideas he brought to life were nothing short of extraordinary. Through his lens, he didn't just capture moments-he captured emotions, making us relive the love and joy of our wedding day with every image.

Photography

When it came to photography, there was no question-we knew we wanted Lajarna to capture our most cherished moments. I wanted the world to witness our love story through his exceptional lens. Lajarna is a true gem, not just as an artist but as a person. His warmth and positive energy instantly put us at ease, making the entire experience feel natural and effortless. From the very first consultation to the final delivery of our photos, he exceeded every expectation, going above and beyond at every turn.



Genuine passion is rare, but with Lajarna, it radiated in everything he did. He didn't just take pictures-he poured his heart into creating magic. Going above and beyond (quite literally) to capture breathtaking shots and stunning, his commitment to perfection was unmatched. His creative vision and meticulous attention to detail made every frame extraordinary, ensuring that our most special moments were immortalised in a way we will cherish forever.

Outfits

It wasn't going to be easy finding outfits for 6 wedding events in Thailand. We wanted different styles/themes for each event. We went to India and worked alongside Theresa Shalini, a stylist based in Chennai.

We shared our vision, and she created a vision/mood board for us and our wedding looks. She sourced so many jewelleries and outfits; from our pres hoot outfits to our reception looks. She has vast knowledge of styling, works with various vendors and pulls things together and completes a whole look from head to toe!

Without these vendors our dream wedding would not have come to life! We enjoyed every single moment working with all these vendors and cannot recommend them enough!



Vendors

MAKEUP ARTIST
Jastina MUA

DJ
DJ Thana

VIDEOGRAPHY
Iconique Dreams

PHOTOGRAPHY
Lajarna

STYLIST
Theresa Shalini



Cover Shoot Editorial

- Misteek London (Bridal Stylist/Creative Director)

Great styling doesn't scream for attention—it whispers elegance. It's found in textures that catch the light, colours that evoke emotion, and jewellery that tells a story. This shoot was inspired by the multifaceted essence of Soozana, a muse who exemplifies the modern South Indian woman: a passionate visionary, a symbol of intellectual strength, and a bold creative spirit.

Through thoughtful contrasts and intentional choices, each look reflected a distinct mood. This wasn't about overcomplicated styling or loud statements; it was about subtle, impactful storytelling.

A Study in Style: The Looks

Power and Precision

The first look embodied focus and strength. A luminous gold tissue saree, with its ethereal shimmer, was paired with a structured black velvet blouse. The sharp neckline and bold cut-out added a modern edge, while a Sabyasachi-inspired belt cinched the waist, creating a powerful silhouette. Accessories and makeup were kept minimal — vintage gold watch, softly waved hair and warm-toned makeup allowed the textures to take centre stage.

Tradition Meets Tailoring

For the second look, the same gold saree was reimagined with a muted oat-coloured blazer. This pairing of fluid silk and sharp tailoring celebrated adaptability and innovation, reflecting the modern woman's ability to blend tradition with progress. Clean lines and minimalist gold studs added polish, while the understated styling allowed the saree to remain the focal point.

The Creative Spirit

The creative look celebrated bold artistry in two interpretations. The first featured a berry-red Kanjeevaram saree draped loosely, paired with statement earrings and cascading curls—an ode to freedom and individuality. The second interpretation leaned into grandeur: the saree was draped traditionally and styled with layered jewellery. An antique gold necklace provided structure, while clustered pearls and subtle ruby and green accents added depth. Wispy, undone hair and a crown of gypsophila completed the look with a romantic, modern flourish.

Each look was crafted to highlight a unique dimension of her personality, blending heritage with a contemporary lens.



Styling with Intention: Takeaways for Brides

Colour as Emotion

As Sabyasachi Mukherjee says, “Colour is not just a visual choice—it’s emotional. It connects to memory and individuality.” Timeless shades like deep reds, maroons, and golds remain iconic for their richness and tradition. Meanwhile, softer hues such as dusty rose, sage green, pastel pink, and powder blue are gaining momentum for their fresh, ethereal appeal. Consider how your chosen palette will work with the venue and lighting—jewel tones glow under warm indoor lights, while pastels thrive in natural daylight.

Fabrics with Purpose

Fabrics are the foundation of every look. Kanjeevaram silks bring regal structure, while tissue silks offer a luminous, romantic softness perfect for evening celebrations. Mixing textures, like pairing a velvet blouse with silk, adds depth and modernity without overpowering the overall look.

Jewellery as a Narrative

Jewellery transforms a look into something personal. Layering antique gold pieces with modern designs strikes a balance between tradition and individuality, while pearls add timeless elegance. Today’s brides value versatility: detachable earrings, stackable bangles, and convertible necklaces that can be reimagined long after the wedding day are not just investments—they’re stories waiting to be retold.

Final Thoughts: Timeless Elegance, Authentically Yours

As you curate your bridal look, ask yourself: What story do I want to tell? Will your choices honour tradition, embrace modernity, or strike a balance between the two?

The most unforgettable looks don’t follow trends—they transcend them. They feel like an extension of you. Because the essence of true style isn’t about doing more but creating a style that feels authentically and unapologetically yours.




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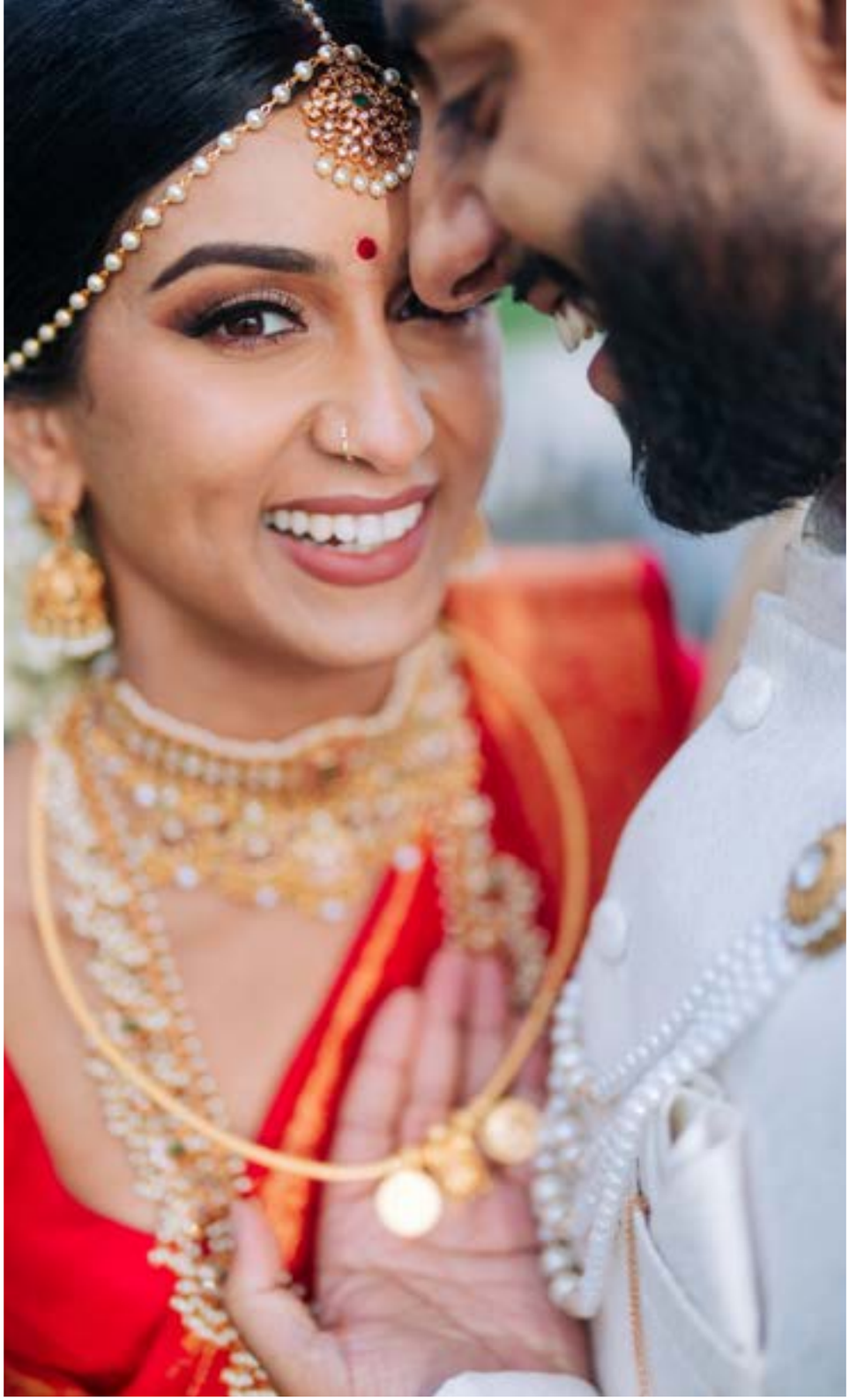
From University Friends
to Soulmates



To put it in a nutshell, our story is short film! Meeting in university in 2015 when both our groups of friends collided. We initially started off being “just friends”, after which our relationship blossomed into what it is today—and the rest is history!

In 2023, after nine years of dating and an amazing surprise proposal in a serene location, we took our relationship to the next level.

Exactly one year later, our wedding took place at the beautiful Meridian Grand—the dreamiest and most unforgettable day of our lives. Everything was so perfect and ran so seamlessly; we savoured every aspect of it, from the planning phase, all the way to the wedding day itself. It feels surreal looking back on the day, as it was over in a flash!

Our wedding photography was taken by Lajarna, an iconic photographer within the Tamil wedding industry. We knew instantly he was the one for us after scanning through his lavish Instagram gallery. He is an absolute sensei behind the lens, and every single image spoke a thousand words. The amount of attention to detail and care he takes in capturing the best moments says it all.

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He was able to snapshot every intricate moment throughout the ceremony, and his beautiful editing conveyed the magic we experienced on the day. Not to mention how easy he was to work with—calm, collected, and professional throughout, ensuring we were comfortable during the entire process. Lajarna not only focused on photography but also provided us with useful nuggets of information prior to our wedding day.

We absolutely adore our wedding photos, viewing them regularly and sharing them with our loved ones.















Shree Images Videography captured every crucial moment of our ceremony so effortlessly. He truly made the wedding look like an absolute movie, providing us with an intricately edited video!

In terms of our wedding looks, Mathury was a star. She proved that creating a mesmerizing look involves more than just choosing the right jewellery and saree, showcasing her incredible makeup, hair, and saree-draping skills. Ranya's breathtaking pink saree and Shivi's striking red saree made an elegant impression upon entering the venue, beautifully paired with AKN's jewellery. VA Collections also provided a majestic groom's outfit, which made a statement and left a lasting impression on our guests.

PapzBee sounds was an amazing addition to our special day as both a host and a DJ. He played a beautiful variety of music that perfectly complemented each part of the ceremony, evoking emotions among us, as the bride and groom, as well as our guests.





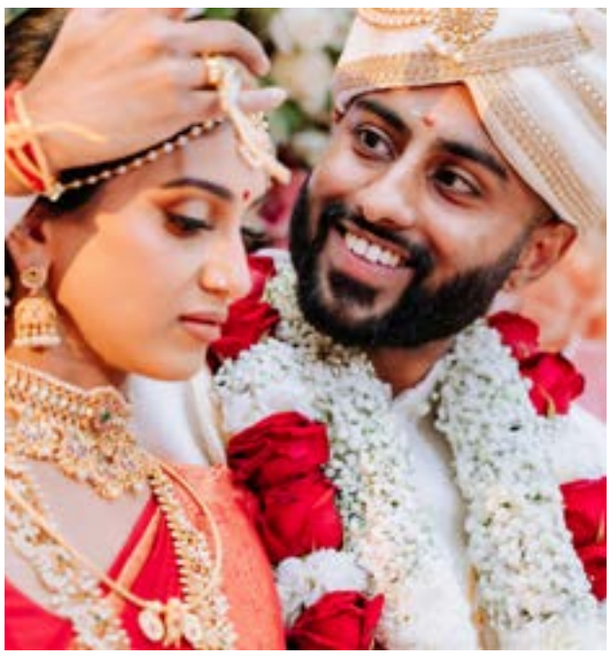






He was incredibly professional, organised, and ensured the ceremony ran seamlessly.

For catering, we entrusted Crystal—specifically Jashanth (Jas)—with the role of providing authentic Sri Lankan wedding food for our guests. He was an absolute delight to work with and went above and beyond our expectations, delivering a vast array of culinary magnificence. Our guests were overwhelmed by the amazing flavours and consistent quality. On the whole, our wedding day was a perfect collaboration of our dream, brought to life by an amazingly talented bunch of vendors, for which we are eternally grateful!



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Vendors

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Meridian Grand

PHOTOGRAPHY
Lajarna

VIDEOGRAPHY
Shree Images

MAKEUP, HAIR & SAREE DRAPING
Mathury

JEWELLERY
AKN's Jewellery

BRIDE'S SAREES
Ranya (Pink Saree)
Shivi (Red Saree)

GROOM'S OUTFIT
VA Collections

DJ & HOST
PapzBee Sounds

CATERING
Crystal (Jashanth/Jas)





















LAJARNIA ARAVINTH

PHOTOGRAPHY



Rebekah & Mathi



Our Love Story

A Dream Destination Wedding in Algarve, Portugal.



Our story began in the midst of the pandemic when dating apps were the only way to connect. Despite being from different religious backgrounds—I'm Christian, and Mathi is Hindu—we quickly bonded over our shared values, interests, and similar upbringings in different parts of Europe. Our relationship grew through heartfelt conversations and a deep respect for our differences. In fact, our faiths brought us closer as we taught each other about our beliefs, strengthening both our connection and our spirituality.

Over the next year, we made countless unforgettable memories, introducing each other to our families and friends, who embraced us with love and support. With their blessings, we decided to take the next step and get married. That excitement quickly turned into wedding-planning nerves, but we were determined to make it special.



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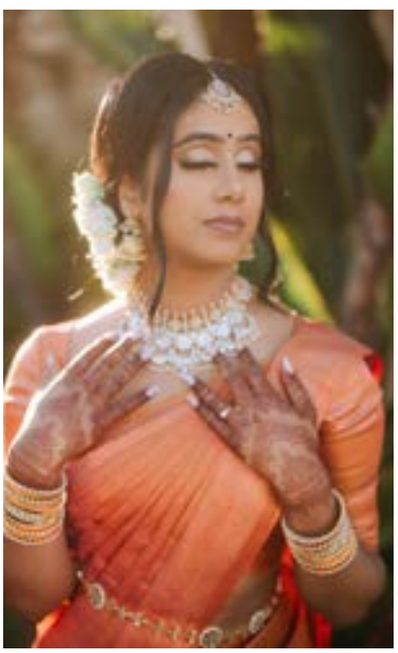
Choosing Algarve

The idea for a destination wedding came from Mathi's solo trip to Algarve, Portugal. He fell in love with its sunny weather, palm trees, stunning coastline, and vibrant energy that reminded him of home. When he suggested it, I immediately agreed—it was the perfect place to celebrate the start of our lives together.

Little did we know that planning a Tamil Hindu wedding in Algarve would come with unique challenges. It turned out we were hosting what might be the very first Hindu Tamil wedding in the region! While this was exciting, it also meant we had to navigate unfamiliar territory. Finding a Tamil priest in Portugal was one of the hardest tasks, but after extensive research, we were relieved to secure one from Ealing, UK. Slowly but surely, things began to come together.



















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Bringing It All Together

We worked with Dream Day Wedding Planners, who were amazing in coordinating the venue, decorations, catering, and on-the-day logistics. Every piece fell into place, but one aspect was especially important to us—capturing the essence of our Tamil Hindu wedding.

The vibrant colors, intricate attire, stunning makeup, and breathtaking location were elements we wanted perfectly preserved, and LJ Photography stood out as the ideal choice. Their magical ability to capture stills brought every detail to life. Their talent and reliability ensured that when we look back on our wedding, every moment feels just as beautiful as it was on the day.















Every challenge along the way was worth it, and we wouldn't have changed a thing. It was the perfect beginning to our journey together.

Looking Back

Our wedding in Algarve was everything we dreamed of. We started our marriage surrounded by the people we love, in a place we adore, with a team of incredible vendors who went above and beyond. Every challenge along the way was worth it, and we wouldn't have changed a thing. It was the perfect beginning to our journey together, and we're so excited for what's yet to come!





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VIDEO
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EVENT PLANNERS
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Our Love Story

A Journey of Love,
Tradition, and Creativity



As a makeup artist with over eight years of experience in the wedding industry, I've had the privilege of helping countless brides prepare for their big day. There's something incredibly special about being a part of these moments—seeing the excitement, anticipation, and pure joy as they prepare to walk down the aisle. Nothing makes me happier than being asked to be part of these momentous milestones. So, when it was finally my turn, I could hardly contain my excitement!

Engagement & Wedding Plans

We got engaged in the spring of 2023, and after a whirlwind of planning; we decided to have a small civil wedding that summer, surrounded by our closest family and friends. We also wanted to hold a celebration of our Hindu and Catholic wedding traditions the following summer. Once we had the auspicious dates for the Hindu wedding, everything else started to fall into place. The first things we tackled were the venues, food, and photography—three elements that were most important to us.

Food: A Feast for the Senses

As a couple of self-proclaimed foodies, who love to host gatherings at our home, we knew we wanted our guests to enjoy an unforgettable dining experience. During one of my bridal events, I tasted the most incredible buffet breakfast catered by Crystal Events and Management. The food was nothing short of amazing, and I

> ***Every little detail came together in a way that made our hearts full.***





couldn't stop thinking about it. I spoke with Janani from Crystal, who had managed that event, and we hit it off instantly and decided to have them cater our reception the following year. Our families joined us for a food tasting at their Hayes branch, and they, too, were wowed by the array of items we got to try. We made a few changes after the tasting, and Crystal Events ensured everything was exactly as we wanted for our reception. To this day, our guests still talk about how incredible the canapés, mains, and desserts were! We're so grateful to Janani and Jas for making our vision come to life.



Photography & Videography: Reliving the Magic

When it came to photography and videography, I wanted to work with someone who understood my style and was easy to communicate with. Over the years, I'd worked with Siva on several bridal events, and I knew he was the one for us. I reached out to Siva, and from the very beginning, I was impressed by his quick responses and how he addressed all of our queries. On the day itself, he and his team were a joy to work with. They blended into the background, capturing beautiful moments without us even noticing them. When we received the video draft within the promised time frame, we were absolutely blown away. Siva captured the day perfectly—he didn't just document our wedding; he made us feel like we were reliving the moments again. We were over the moon with the final product, and will treasure it for years to come. It was so worth it!



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The Outfits: A Dream Shopping Trip to Chennai

Now, let's talk about the part I'd been eagerly anticipating: the outfits! Here's the thing – my best friend got engaged the same year as me, and to make it even more exciting, we planned to have our weddings in the same year too. So, we thought, why not make it a shopping trip to remember? We decided to head to Chennai, India, together to shop for our wedding attire. And wow, what an experience it was! I'll forever treasure the memories of being able to do this with her, picking out our dream outfits, and navigating the beautiful chaos of Chennai together.

I went there with a mood board in mind, focusing on colours, styles, and the kind of jewellery I wanted to complement my looks. Chennai is a bustling, vibrant place to shop – and the variety can be overwhelming! Having a clear idea of what I wanted was definitely helpful in narrowing things down. From selecting our wedding sarees in Kanchipuram to designing my lehengas, every moment was filled with excitement (and a bit of exhaustion). It was a whirlwind 9 days – I've honestly never shopped like that in my life! But it was such a productive and fulfilling experience, one I'll never forget.







> ***Looking back, every moment of our wedding planning and celebrations was filled with love, laughter, and unforgettable experiences.***

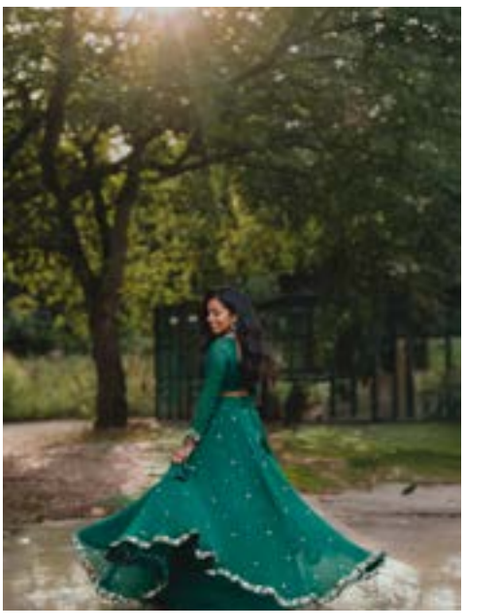
DIY Creativity: Bringing My Vision to Life

As a makeup artist, I originally considered doing my own makeup and hair for the wedding, but I wasn't quite sure until I tested it out for our civil wedding the year before. It went better than I could've imagined, so I decided to take the plunge and do my own hair and makeup for all the events. However, my dear friend Eva stepped in to help with my hair for the Hindu wedding – let's be honest, braiding and pinning flowers in your hair is much trickier than it sounds!

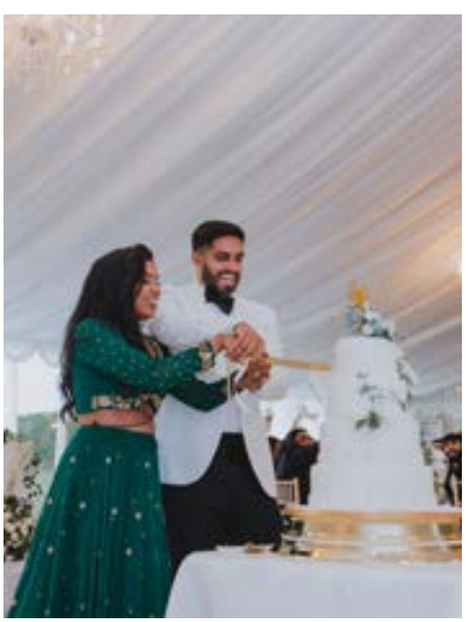
More than the products I used, I wanted to focus on my skincare in the months leading up to the wedding to ensure my makeup would sit perfectly and last throughout the events. Drinking plenty of water and treating my skin became a key part of my routine, and it paid off. The results were better than I had ever hoped for, and to this day, I still get compliments on my looks from that time. For me, creativity always comes first—I'm definitely more of a DIY enthusiast than a bookworm. So, when it came to planning my wedding, I saw it as the perfect chance to channel all my creative energy. From designing the intricate kolam to crafting a custom backdrop for our mehendi, and even curating the décor for our reception, it was truly a labour of love. Of course, I could have easily hired a décor company, but there was something so special about brainstorming ideas and watching them come to life with the help of my amazing family and friends. And having a dad who could turn my wildest ideas into reality made it all the more fun!











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Staying Calm & Savouring the Moments

Once the actual event days arrived, I made a conscious decision to not stress over anything that went wrong. I knew the moments would fly by so quickly, and so I had to soak in every second and enjoy the celebration. Looking back, every moment of our wedding planning and celebrations was filled with love, laughter, and unforgettable experiences. We're so thankful for all the incredible people who helped bring our dream wedding to life. From the food to the décor, to the outfits—every little detail came together in a way that made our hearts full. We couldn't be happier with how everything turned out, and we will forever cherish the memories we created.





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Our Love Story

A Journey of Love,
Travel, and Celebration



Have you ever heard of the Invisible String Theory? For those who haven't, it's the beautiful idea that you and your soul mate are connected by an invisible thread, woven by the universe itself, pulling you together when the time is right. Though it's just a theory, we truly believe we are living proof of its magic.

Piravin and I, by chance—ironically enough—enrolled to study Actuarial Science at the same university. We noticed each other in passing, but life led us in different directions, and we made other connections. We'd cross paths every now and then in university corridors or on nights out, but nothing more. After a few of these casual encounters, Piravin decided to reach out to me on Facebook, sparking a conversation that would eventually lead to us working together five years later.

After working together for a few months and several failed attempts at coffee catch-ups, we finally decided to meet over dinner. Unfortunately, Covid-19 had other plans, and so, on March 18, 2020, we found ourselves on our first FaceTime call. In that moment, everything became clear—this was always meant to be.

Like many others, we bonded over our shared love of travel. When Covid-19 travel restrictions kept us from exploring new places, we found ourselves longing for adventure. So, whenever restrictions lifted, we'd book a flight to a nearby destination. Our shared love of travel became a central part of our story, and we wanted to bring that same sense of excitement and connection to our wedding.

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We chose to get married in Tuscany, Italy. After an extensive venue search with our wedding planners, Parade Weddings, we found our dream location: Tenuta di Artimino, an ancient estate with Medici origins. This stunning estate offered the perfect setting to host a weekend of celebrations with our nearest and dearest.

Attire

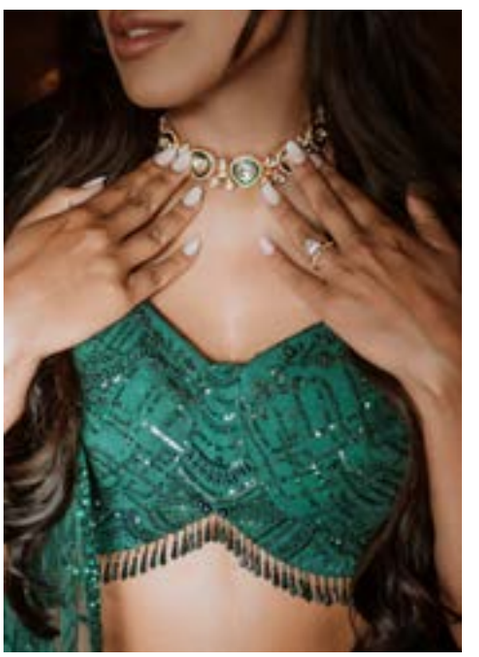
With three events spread across two days, we wanted each of our looks to be unique to the occasion. While many brides choose traditional white attire, we wanted our wedding trousseau to reflect our personalities, so we opted for more vibrant and colorful outfits for the welcome dinner and reception.

Like many girls, I had dreamed about my wedding attire since I was younger, but the reality of choosing what to wear turned out to be much harder than I had imagined. For the welcome dinner, inspired by the charm of Italian piazzas, I opted for the cerise-pink Meyer Draped Minidress by Solace London. However, choosing an outfit for the reception was more challenging; I needed something that was both show stopping and comfortable. After consulting with the team at Nikaza Asian Couture, I worked with them and Adaara Couture to create a custom emerald green lehenga. The team was incredibly supportive, keeping me updated and incorporating their feedback throughout the process.









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Piravin's suits for the welcome dinner and reception were from Reiss London and Hawes & Curtis, respectively. Our civil ceremony took place in the breathtaking vineyards of Tenuta di Artimino, a UNESCO World Heritage Site surrounded by the rolling hills of Tuscany. Given the stunning landscape, we wanted our outfits to match the timeless beauty of the setting. I wore a classic Jenny Yoo Pearl dress, while Piravin chose a bespoke Loro Piana suit.





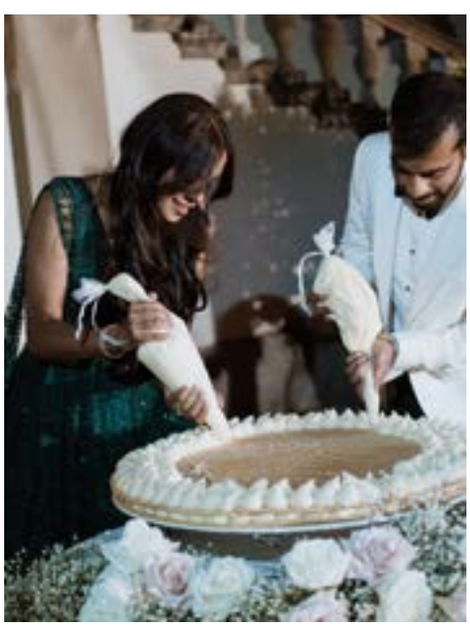
Event Management

After countless Zoom calls with various planners in Italy, our first conversation with Giorgia and Marta from Parade Weddings left us confident that they were the perfect team for our big day. Planning a destination wedding for 150 guests of all ages, we needed planners who not only understood our vision but also had the experience to make it a reality. Giorgia and Marta went above and beyond in mood boarding sessions, offering honest feedback on the practicality of our ideas and suggesting adjustments to ensure the events would flow smoothly. They were always available to answer questions and implement any changes we requested. When we experienced rainfall on the first day of events, Giorgia and Marta were already on top of it. Having been constantly monitoring the weather on their phones, they executed our Plan B without any disruption to the schedule. We were able to fully relax and enjoy our wedding weekend, knowing that Giorgia and Marta had everything under control.



Catering and Bar

As self-professed foodies, ensuring our guests enjoyed exceptional food was a top priority for us. It was a major factor in our decision to choose a venue in Tuscany for our special weekend. We flew to Italy six months before the wedding to do a tasting with Delizia Ricevimenti, and after that, we were certain they were the perfect fit to cater our celebration. With our Tamil palates and love for spice, Delizia was incredibly flexible and happily



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tailored their menu to suit our tastes. Our guests were treated to live pasta stations and food corners filled with Italian classics. Since I am a cake artist myself, many people wondered if I would make my own wedding cake. The icing on the cake—quite literally—was the opportunity Delizia gave us to create our own wedding cake: a traditional Italian Millefeuille, which made the day even more personal and memorable. A special shout-out goes to the bar company, fbsbarcatering, which set up amazing cocktail stations. Our guests definitely had sore heads the following morning.

Music

We knew we wanted our guests to dance well into the early hours, and there was only one person we trusted to make that happen—Braha from BeeSounds. As a good friend, Braha already knew our taste in music, and he kept the dance floor packed all night long. While celebrating your own wedding is likely to be the best night of your life, it's incredibly heartwarming to still hear from our guests that it was one of the best parties they've ever attended—something we can credit in large part to the energy of our guests and Braha's incredible DJ skills. Not only did he keep the energy high, but he also worked seamlessly with our production company, Weddingmusicandlights, in Italy to ensure the dance floor, lighting, and sound were perfect, elevating every aspect of our celebration.

Videography

For videography, we chose Jakobz Media to capture our wedding weekend. We didn't just want them to document the key moments of the day—we saw having a videographer as a way to capture the interactions and moments between our guests that, as a couple, we might have missed. When we selected Jakobz Media, we sat down with Thuva to discuss our vision for the wedding video, including having guests share their thoughts in interviews. Thuva was more than happy to accommodate, and









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in the time between events, the team took the opportunity to sit down with our guests, capturing candid moments that we now cherish and look back on fondly.

Photography

Choosing Soozana as our wedding photographer felt like the most natural decision. She had already been part of our lives, having captured my sister's wedding, and over time, she became a part of our family. It was only fitting that we asked her to document our own milestone. In fact, she joined Piravin and me in Mauritius to capture an incredibly special moment—our engagement. What truly sets Soozana apart is her ability to make anyone feel at ease. From the very first click of her camera, we felt immediate comfort, allowing us to truly be ourselves. This meant that she was able to capture the authentic essence of our relationship—the love, the laughter, and the quirks we share. Beyond her warmth and ability to make us feel comfortable, Soozana is a true artist. She has an extraordinary gift for making the ordinary seem extraordinary. Given all the effort we put into planning this special day, we wanted to ensure that every detail was captured in a way that would immortalize our hard work. Soozana and team did just that. Each photo brings us back to the people, the details, and the emotions that made our day so special. Soozana and team didn't just capture the events—she captured the feeling behind it all. We're so grateful to have these memories preserved in such a meaningful way.

Stationery

We were fortunate to be surrounded by incredibly talented artists, so we decided to ask them to design our wedding stationery. Presha, Piravin's youngest sister, helped me bring to life the most beautiful invitation suite, which featured Piravin's dog, Tommie, and my dog, Maximilian— who, sadly, could not join us at the celebration. In addition, Presha designed a set of playing cards inspired by the members of Piravin's and





my families, which were included in the welcome bags. Mitra, a close friend of Piravin's from university and the talented artist behind @artbymitra, created the menus for the welcome dinner and designed the itineraries that were also included in the welcome bags for our guests. These beautifully complemented the stunning tablescapes curated by Parade Weddings and Flowers Living. Canva quickly became my new best friend—much to Piravin's dismay! I used it to design the reception menus and several of the welcome signs. I had so much fun working on the stationery that I now offer my designs on Etsy under the name @createdbykaya.

Our deepest thanks go out to the incredible team of vendors whose hard work and artistry made our celebration unforgettable, and to our beloved family and friends whose presence and love made our celebration truly special. We are eternally grateful for each of you.



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Parade Weddings (Giorgia and Marta)

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VIDEOGRAPHY
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CATERING
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BAR
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DJ
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LIGHTING AND SOUND
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OUTFITS
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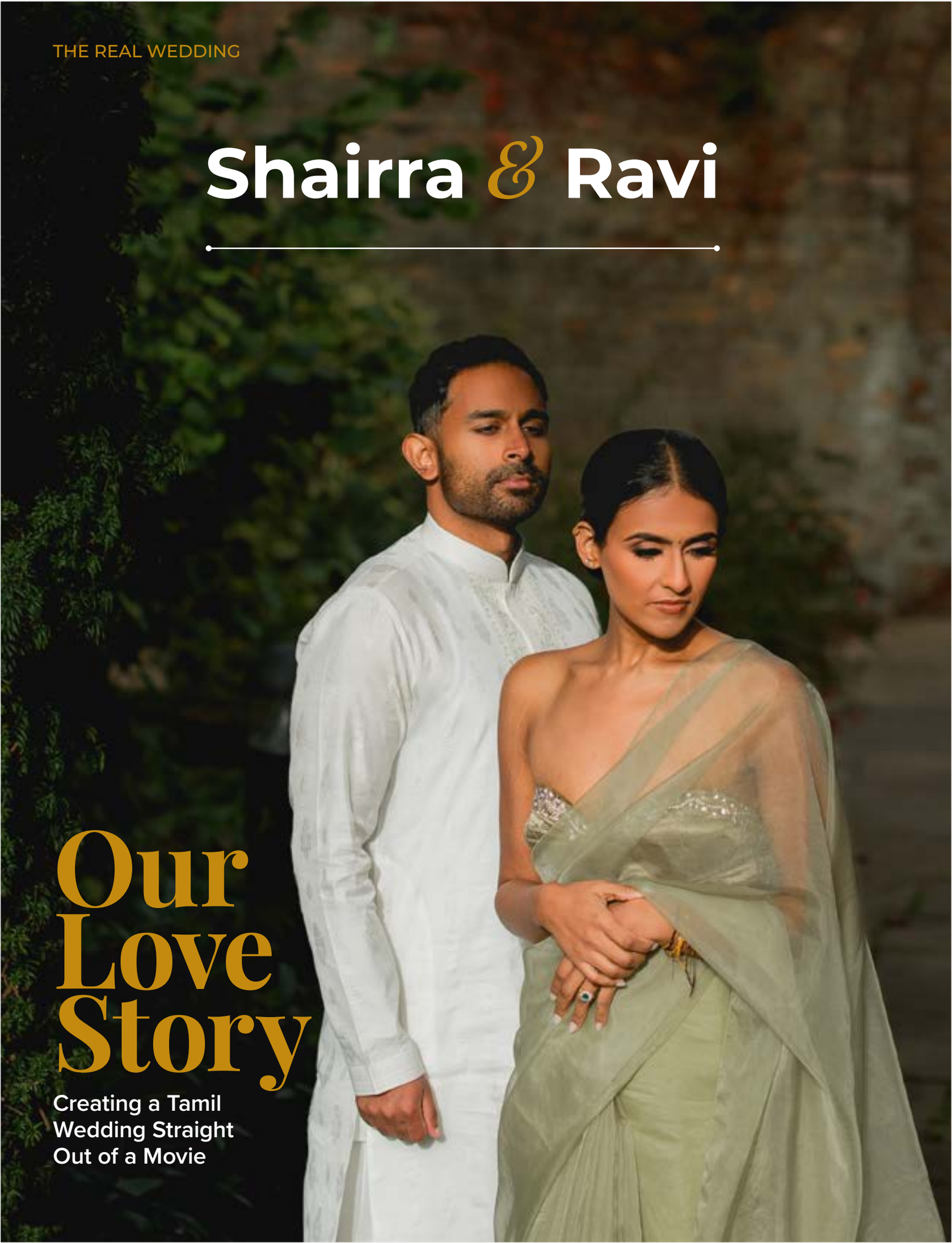
Flowers Living

Shairra & Ravi



Our Love Story

Creating a Tamil Wedding Straight Out of a Movie

Where Perfection Meets Love Bridezilla? Type A Bride? Perfectionist? Name it all, and I'll check all the boxes. I'm probably your typical chick-flick character—the girl who has dreamt about her 'perfect day' since she was eight years old. Bride Wars being my all-time favourite movie pretty much gives it away. I'm not even ashamed to admit that I started collating my wedding Pinterest boards and Instagram inspiration folders years before I had even met Ravi.

Photography & Videography

I've been watching and saving wedding and preshoot highlights on YouTube probably since 2012. Though I am naturally indecisive, I always knew the style I wanted to capture my big day – from the grand moments to the tiny intricate details that only I would stress over. That's why I knew it had to be Siva Prakash. His portfolio perfectly aligned with my vision. His work felt like watching a beautifully crafted movie. His photos highlight elegance and raw emotion—exactly how I wanted my wedding content to reflect. I knew our wedding events would only last a week, but the memories he captured would stay forever.

Working with Siva Anna across all our events and the preshoot was the easiest decision I made during the wedding planning process. He went above and beyond, not just as a photographer and videographer, but genuinely looking out for me as an older brother. He truly







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understood me. From realising how the little things meant the most to me, to ensuring I was okay throughout the entire planning process, Siva Anna had the uncanny ability to sense when I was stressed and knew exactly what to do to calm me down. He even called me the night before the wedding to give me a pep talk, which was just what I needed. Somehow, he even found out my favourite song and used that for the preshoot video—can I just say, he absolutely smashed it! (Make sure you follow, like, and subscribe on YouTube, lol.)

From helping me style our preshoot colour palette, to keeping a detailed list of everything I wanted captured, and most importantly, dealing with my extra demanding self, I cannot thank Siva Anna enough. His dedication, talent, and personal care made all the difference, and I couldn't have imagined a more perfect person and team to document the most important week of my life.

Makeup

I'm indecisive, but I know what I want—although I know it might not make sense. When it came to my wedding week, I knew I could trust Vithya with everything. I've been following her on social media for as long as I can remember, and I knew she was the one. Vithya is the definition of professional. Her messages were always prompt, and she was on top of everything. From tips and tricks months in advance on how to prep for my big

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day, to patiently answering my endless questions, I honestly had her plan out my hair-washing schedule for the week. She made the whole process exciting and seamless. Meeting her felt like catching up with an old friend! She helped calm me down before each event, and you can see what an amazing job she did. I wanted different and unique looks, and she nailed each one.







For my preshoot, I booked Eva. I remember joking with her that I wanted her to make me look as amazing as she made Sneha look when she worked with Siva Anna. Eva did not disappoint! She nailed all four looks and even gave me my own Jessie moment from Vinnaithaandi Varuvaaya. Eva is the loveliest soul. She stayed with us the entire day of the shoot, making sure I was comfortable throughout, especially in the freezing cold weather. She even had tissues on hand to wipe my runny nose between takes. I can't wait to work with her again this year. Oh, and keep an eye out for her new lash line—it's phenomenal!



Event Coordinator

As a control freak, one of my biggest triggers was, knowing the wedding day was not in my hands. I know, and you know, there would be no Tamil wedding without some drama, so I knew I needed on-the-day coordination. Priya became

my go-to, and honestly, she took most of my stress away in the lead-up. There were even moments when I found myself on the phone with her a few days before the wedding, having a full-on breakdown. She always made time for me (and each breakdown). I knew I was in good hands. I gave Priya, Vee, and the team impossible circumstances, and they made it all work in the end.

Decoration

Amari Events—Kandi Anna is nothing short of Superman. Whatever I wanted, I simply asked, and he made it happen. I'm not even kidding; I asked him for a swing in the house, and he got it to me the very next day! I initially saw a temple setup done in Canada a few years ago, and I took screenshots (then added it to my décor inspo folder, obviously). I vividly remember my first call with him. I explained my vision, and all he did was laugh. I honestly thought, "Great, he thinks I'm crazy?!" But talk about God's perfect timing—Kandi Anna had just designed a temple mandap and was getting it made in India at that very moment. Kandi Anna wasn't just my go-to for all things décor; he was my therapist over the last few months. He went above and beyond for all my wedding events, but especially in giving me my own Mani Ratnam movie set.

Food

Ruby Catering—need I say more? I left my parents in charge of the food, but Mohan Anna made sure everything was exactly as I envisioned, down to the smallest aesthetic details. From catering my puberty ceremony to now being part of my wedding events, it truly felt like a full-circle moment. The food wasn't just delicious—it was an experience that tied together all the important moments of my life.









Music

Did you even go to university if you haven't been to an event hosted by Braha? BeeSounds was a no-brainer for my wedding. Braha had us covered from production lighting to wedding cars and even mixed both my entrance songs perfectly. He truly knows how to bring a wedding to life, making every moment feel like it's straight out of a movie.

Planning a Tamil wedding is not for the faint-hearted (even if you've been preparing for the last 20 years). Over the past year, I've experienced the highest of highs and the lowest of lows, but none of it would have been possible without each of my incredible vendors, including the ones I haven't had the chance to mention. They were not just vendors—they became family, and for that, I am forever grateful. My heart is full knowing I had the best team by my side, making my dream day a reality.





Vendors

HINDU

PHOTO + VIDEO
siva_prakash_photography

EVENT PLANNER
vp_events_

DECO
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MUA
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CATERING
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FLOWERS
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Our Love Story

Our Destination Wedding Story in Cyprus

From the very beginning, we envisioned a wedding that would bring everyone together in a meaningful way. Coming from a diaspora background, our families live in different parts of the world, and we wanted more than just a wedding day—we wanted an experience where everyone could connect, laugh, and create lasting memories together. A destination wedding felt like the perfect choice for us, and seeing our parents relax by the pool with their siblings, sharing stories and laughter, was one of the most heartwarming highlights. It was a moment that couldn't make up for all the lost time but was so incredibly precious. Our talented photographer, Siva Prakash, captured these moments so candidly, and we'll treasure them forever

I've always dreamed of a beach wedding, with the sound of waves and the beautiful sea as our backdrop. It was surreal to see this vision come to life in Cyprus, Paphos at Coral Bay

The Festivities Begin: Mehendi Night

Our wedding week started with a fun-packed Mehendi night. It was all about music, food, and the ladies getting their henna done. Siva Prakash and his team had just arrived at the hotel that day, yet they wasted no time. Bags barely unpacked, they were out and ready to capture the essence of our celebration. I knew from that moment we were in the

> ***Wherever you go, go with all your heart.***







best hands, and I couldn't wait to see what they would do with the rest of the events

Our Favourite Event: Haldi on the Beach

The next day was our haldi ceremony—my absolute favourite event. We had it right on the beach, and it was a mix of tradition and pure chaos. It started with blessings from our families, using manjal (turmeric), and quickly turned into an explosion of colours and laughter. The day ended with everyone covered in vibrant powders and taking a dip in the sea. Siva Prakash and his team went above and beyond to capture it all, even diving into the water with us for those unforgettable shots

That evening, we had a quick pre-shoot during sunset. Despite some delays that meant we missed the sunset; Siva didn't take no for an answer. He noticed my disappointment and worked his magic, creating a "sunset" with clever lighting techniques. The results were stunning—it truly looked like the sun was setting behind us, and I was in awe of his talent

> ***The best thing to hold onto in life is each other.***





The Big Day: Our Wedding

The morning of our wedding was filled with emotions. Apoorvan and I exchanged thoughtful gifts before the ceremony. I gave him a book titled “The Story That Led Us to Today,” which chronicled all our relationship highlights, from the day we met to our milestones over the years. The last page ended just before our wedding

Apoorvan surprised me with a ring engraved with “Manaivi” (wife) and a bundle of letters to open for future milestones. The photography team was in on the surprise, guiding me through different poses before directing me to open the drawer where the ring was hidden. It was such a beautiful moment!

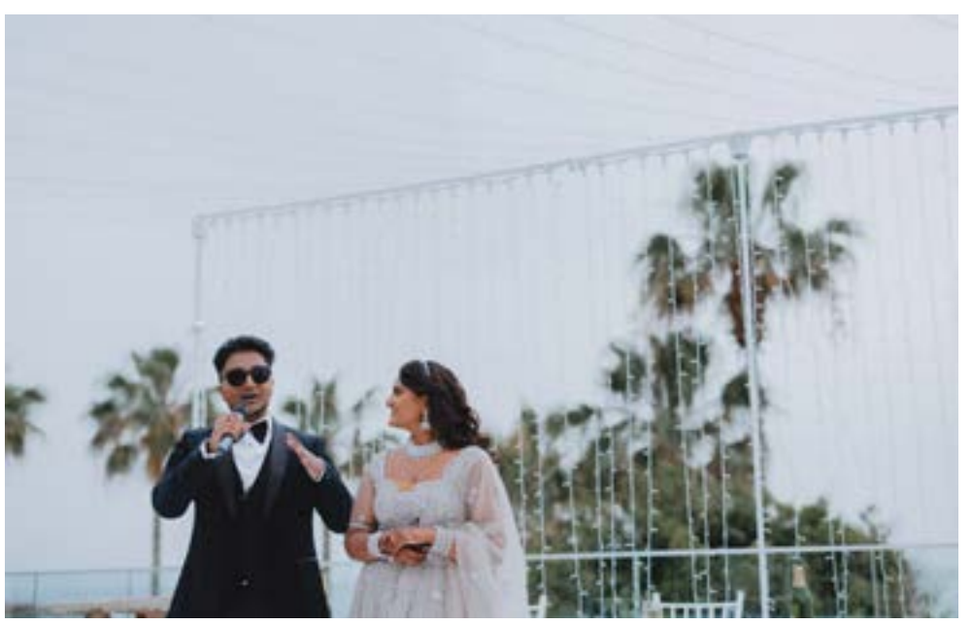
We were careful to avoid seeing each other before the ceremony, which was a challenge since we were staying at the same resort. The photography team coordinated everything perfectly, mapping out the resort and keeping us in separate areas. There was one close call where we were almost in the same location, but Siva quickly hid me in some bushes and even managed to turn that into a spontaneous photoshoot! That photo is now one of Apoorvan’s favourites and his phone’s lock screen

When I walked down the aisle in my

> ***Love doesn’t make the world go ’round; love is what makes the ride worthwhile.***









manavarai saree, seeing Apoorvan's tears of joy made all the planning and effort worth it. The ceremony was beautiful, though the heat was intense—it reached 32 degrees by the time I changed into my Koorai saree. Despite the sweltering weather, the photography team worked tirelessly to capture every moment of our day, and my makeup artist, Mathury Akka, did an incredible job touching up my makeup throughout!



Our Amazing Vendors

We were so fortunate to have an incredible team of vendors who made our wedding unforgettable.

- Photography and Videography: Siva Prakash and his team were phenomenal. They worked tirelessly throughout the week, capturing everything from candid moments to pre-shoots, post-shoots, and every event in between.

- Makeup Artist: Mathury made me look stunning for every event. She was calm,



organised, and created my looks exactly as I had envisioned. As we had to take all the wedding items from London, we actually forgot some hairpieces, but she quickly improvised on the spot, using jewellery to adorn my braid.

- Sarees and Jewellery: Shrila (Shrila. Collections) provided the stunning sarees and exquisite jewellery sets for my bridal looks and the bridesmaids. The girls looked incredible, and all my looks were exactly as I envisioned them—elegant, timeless, and perfect for each event.

- Music: DJ Watson Thiru brought so much energy to our wedding. Music is something both Apoorvan and I are passionate about, and Watson ensured every moment was vibrant and unforgettable. The reception party, in particular, was electric—we danced until the venue had to close!

- Florist: Nagapoorani (Nagapoorani_florist) created the beautiful garlands, hairpieces, and jasmine flowers for the guests. She carefully packed everything to withstand the flight journey, ensuring they remained fresh and perfect for the day.

- Event Management: Royal Weddings Cyprus, led by Rosa, took care of every detail. Rosa checked in with us daily, coordinating suppliers, decorations, and catering to bring our vision to life

About Us

A little over five years ago, I was planning to attend an Anirudh concert and needed a group of 10 for a discount. I had 9 people confirmed but couldn't find a 10th. After asking around, someone in the group brought along a friend—and that 10th ticket ended up being Apoorvan

We got to know each other over the next year and became close friends before starting a relationship. Four years later, we found ourselves at another Anirudh concert, just a month before our wedding. As fate would have it, we bumped into Siva Prakash there—it was the first time we met him in person. He was so friendly and excited about our wedding that we knew we were in excellent hands

Looking back, our wedding was everything we dreamed of and more. It was a celebration of love, family, and togetherness, made even more special by the incredible people who helped bring it to life



Vendors

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DJ
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VENUE
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Nithura & Mayu



Our Love Story

A dreamy destination pre-wedding photoshoot!



My wedding speech that I regret not sharing with our loved ones read, “My sweet love. I’ve never known a love away from my immediate family to be so effortless. Never knew a stranger could open their heart to the extent you have done for me, or witnessed a mind so pure, always full of positivity and optimism.

I’ve always been the luckiest girl, having been brought up by the best parents, of course being daddy’s girl, I’ve been blessed to have had the best man, my dad, by my side for 32 years. I didn’t think I’d be lucky enough to meet another perfect man!

After 30 years, the unimaginable happened, and I met someone with similar qualities to Appa. The bar was high but somehow you existed, and you just about touch that bar and dad’s got competition for the first time!



> ***This was a once-in-a-lifetime kind of love, and marriage was inevitable.***

I couldn't be luckier; I've somehow got two of the best men by my side. To be loved by you and to have the pleasure to love you for the rest of my life. I feel so blessed..." and so on.



Mayu and I met towards the end of 2022, and it's been a whirlwind ever since. I was completing my PhD (final year) and Mayu was finishing a project that he was managing at work. We both had incredibly busy schedules and lived in different cities but somehow, we managed to see each other as often as we could, even if it was just for an hour here and there whilst respecting and supporting each other with other demands. Both of us really



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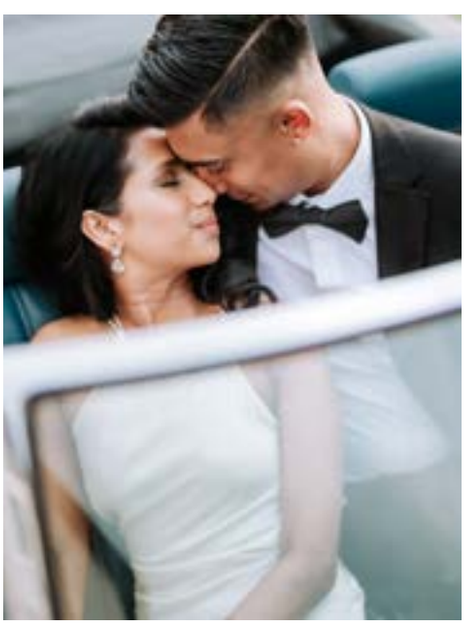





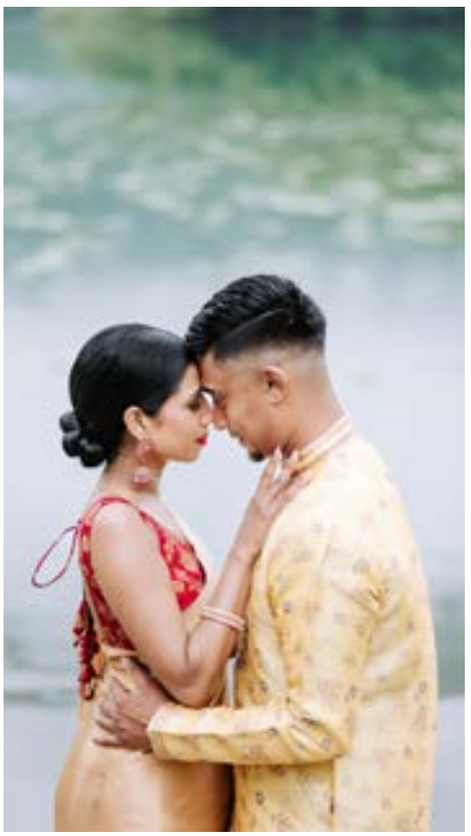

appreciated having a partner who was hard working and passionate whilst also supportive and present. Qualities like these amongst many others made it very clear to us that our morals and lifestyles would perfectly align with each others.



Mayu is the playful one in the relationship, even before there was anything serious between us, he would implicitly and cheekily express his love for me. I was having a stressful year, and have always been very reflective and analytical, so naturally I took some time before very explicitly and overtly expressing my love for him. Regardless of our approach (which by the way perfectly depicts our personalities), we both knew from the get-go that this was a once in a lifetime kind of love and that marriage was inevitable.

Less than a year into dating we started planning the wedding. Surprisingly, we had quite different views of how we wanted the wedding to be like. I initially wanted a very intimate wedding in a temple or somewhere abroad whereas Mayu wanted a big wedding with all our loved ones. We compromised and agreed

that we'd do an intimate civil ceremony with just our immediate families and a big Hindu wedding and reception. Mayu also brought up the idea of doing a preshoot and sold it to me when he showed me pictures that Lajarna Photography had taken alongside pre shoot videos from IconiqueDreams (Marcki Sai). As soon as we had our initial planning meetings with them, I thought this could be my chance to have a destination wedding related "event". I started creating mood boards and thought of all the places I was hoping to do a destination wedding in and decided to go with Lake Como, Italy. It was the perfect backdrop for a mix of luxury and nature, high end fashion and classic vintage, history, culture, romance and fun.



I started putting together a list of locations to shoot at, a travel itinerary, and outfits to wear. We had several phone calls and online meetings with Lajarna, where he meticulously went through finer details on what to consider when planning shoots, helping us think about what would help enhance the photos, what to avoid making the whole pre-shoot experience less stressful and shared so many general tips and tricks to help make the planning as smooth as possible. We stayed at a gorgeous hotel surrounded by so much beauty - which I intentionally planned in case we were struck by bad weather so we could at least shoot in and around the hotel. We ended up having really nice weather, though there was some rain. Looking back at the pictures, I'm glad it rained a little as Lajarna took some incredible pictures in the rain too which came out stunning, adding another element to the portfolio of photos he's given us. Lajarna surpassed our expectations. We chose him for all our wedding events, he's got an incredible gift in being able to comfortably work in any circumstance and exudes that to the people he photographs. Coupling that with his eye for detail, imagination, professionalism, kindness, and efficiency - what more could you want from a wedding vendor?



I hadn't ever considered a preshoot being something I'd want to do until Mayu brought it up. But now it's one of my favorite memories from our wedding period. It was a time that was for the both of us to have fun, we got to know our photographer and videographer, we had very little distractions and our love was beautifully captured which we get to cherish for the rest of our lives. And I got my own version of a destination wedding! We would both wholeheartedly recommend people to do a pre-shoot if they can.





Vendors

PHOTOGRAPHY
Lajarna Photography

VIDEOGRAPHY
IconiqueDreams (Marcki Sai)



THREADS OF A TIMELESS CULTURE:

The Legacy of Tamil Fashion

Tamil fashion is more than attire; it is a thread that weaves history, culture, and identity together. From the natural garments of prehistoric times to the modern fusion of tradition and innovation, the journey of Tamil clothing reflects an enduring legacy. Each era brought unique contributions, enriching the Tamil fashion narrative while staying true to its roots over 3000 years. As a proud emblem of Tamil heritage, the saree and Veshti are timeless symbols, bridging generations and connecting the ancient with the modern in an unbroken cultural continuum.

The Birth of Weaving: The Cotton Revolution

With the advent of agriculture, Tamil civilization embraced cotton cultivation, revolutionizing their clothing. Cotton became a staple fabric, skillfully spun and woven into long, unbleached rectangular cloth. This development led to the emergence of the iconic saree and veshti, which symbolize Tamil identity. Archaeological discoveries at Keeladi, including spindle whorls and dye vessels, highlight the advanced textile techniques of the ancient Tamils. Weaving evolved into a community-driven craft that blended practicality and artistry. Draped clothing, representing both simplicity and innovation, established a cultural continuity that continues to resonate in Tamil fashion today.



The Era of Kingdoms: Elegance and Extravagance

The Sangam Age was a vibrant period in which Tamil fashion flourished and evolved into a refined art form that reflected the grandeur of emerging kingdoms. Garments transitioned from simple cotton drapes to intricate creations made of silk, vibrant dyes, and metallic threads. Literature from this period vividly describes the elegance of Tamil attire, which served as a marker of status and identity. During his era, two pieces of rectangular cloth were commonly used. Royals adorned themselves with intricately woven fabrics and jewelry, while commoners opted for simpler yet elegant draped garments. This period celebrated the blend of practicality and luxury, establishing the foundation for Tamil fashion's enduring aesthetic of grace and refinement.



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Colonial Influence and Regional Adaptations

The colonial era introduced Tamil society to tailored garments influenced by Persian and Mughal traditions. Urban areas embraced stitched clothing, blending foreign styles with local sensibilities, while rural Tamil Nadu steadfastly preserved traditional draped attire. The veshti, paired with upper garments like the Saalvai, became a formal symbol of Tamil identity. Despite the influx of external influences, the saree and veshti retained their cultural significance, showcasing Tamil's resilience in adapting to change while honouring tradition. This period highlighted Tamil fashion's versatility and enduring relevance in a dynamic world.

Modern Tamil Fashion: Tradition Meets Innovation

Contemporary Tamil fashion reflects a vibrant blend of tradition and modernity. Designers reimagine the saree and veshti by integrating synthetic fabrics, bold patterns, and innovative tailoring. Runways and weddings celebrate the timeless elegance of draped attire, proving its adaptability to modern aesthetics. Despite these advancements, Tamil fashion remains deeply rooted in its heritage, with traditional garments symbolizing cultural pride and identity. This seamless fusion of past and present ensures that Tamil fashion continues to evolve while honouring the 3000-year legacy it proudly upholds.





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A Celebration of Tamil Women

Beauty, Talent, and Empowerment

Miss and Mrs Tamil (UK & Europe): Celebrating Beauty, Talent, and Empowerment

In the vibrant tapestry of the Tamil community, a new thread has been woven—a thread of beauty, talent, and empowerment that shines through the prestigious platform of Miss and Mrs Tamil (UK & Europe). This remarkable event is more than just a beauty pageant; it is a celebration of Tamil culture, heritage, and the incredible achievements of Tamil women across the UK and Europe.



Empowering Women Through Miss and Mrs Tamil

Miss and Mrs Tamil (UK & Europe) is a unique platform dedicated to celebrating and empowering Tamil women. The event goes beyond the traditional pageant format by providing participants with opportunities to showcase their talents, embrace their heritage, and make a meaningful impact in their communities. Through various segments and activities, contestants are encouraged to develop their skills, build confidence, and become role models for future generations.

One of the core missions of Miss and Mrs Tamil is to actively support charitable initiatives. The organization will collaborate with various charitable organizations and initiatives across the Tamil districts of Sri Lanka and India. By participating in Miss and Mrs Tamil, contestants contribute to causes that uplift and empower less fortunate women, making a tangible difference in their lives.

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The Essence of Miss and Mrs Tamil: Empowerment and Global Reach

Miss and Mrs Tamil (UK & Europe) is not just about crowning beauty queens; it is about empowering Tamil women to embrace their heritage, showcase their talents, and make a meaningful impact in their communities.

The goal of Miss and Mrs Tamil is to expand its reach beyond the UK and Europe, becoming a global extravaganza that resonates with audiences worldwide. By broadcasting shows and creating a platform for Tamil women to shine, it envisions a future where Miss and Mrs Tamil becomes a household name synonymous with empowerment, culture, and beauty.

Announcing the Upcoming Miss and Mrs Tamil Pageant

We are thrilled to unveil the highly anticipated Miss and Mrs. Tamil pageant, which will be launching in February 2025. The application process is currently open.

Key dates for the event are as follows:

- Auditions: April 2025
- Quarter Finals: June 2025
- Semi Finals: July 2025
- Grand Finale: September 2025







The Visionary Behind Miss and Mrs Tamil: Sai

The driving force behind Miss and Mrs Tamil (UK & Europe) is the dynamic Sai. Sai's entrepreneurial spirit runs deep in her family. Her father, the founder of Ruby's Catering, was a trailblazer in the Tamil Sri Lankan catering industry in the UK.

In 2022, Sai launched her own saree business, 'Sairees,' marking a significant milestone in her career. Sai's passion for fashion, beauty, and empowerment, coupled with her love for the entertainment sector, have culminated in this dream project. Her extensive background in business and events has enabled her to create a space where Tamil women can shine and be celebrated for their achievements.



Join the Journey

As Miss and Mrs Tamil (UK & Europe) continues to grow, it invites everyone to be a part of this incredible journey. Whether you are a contestant, a supporter, or simply someone who believes in the power of empowerment, this platform welcomes you with open arms. Follow Miss and Mrs Tamil on their website www.misstamil.co and social media at @misstamilcrown to stay updated on upcoming events, behind-the-scenes moments, and inspiring stories from the participants.

In the end, Miss and Mrs Tamil (UK & Europe) is more than just a pageant; it is a celebration of the Tamil spirit, a testament to the strength and resilience of Tamil women, and a beacon of hope for a brighter, more inclusive future.

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Crystal Catering

Where Culinary Art Meets Unforgettable Celebrations



At Crystal Events & Management, food is at the heart of everything we do. With over three decades of expertise, we've earned our place as a trusted name in the UK's Tamil wedding and event industry. Our passion lies in delivering extraordinary dining experiences that captivate your senses and leave lasting memories.

From Tamil Hindu weddings to receptions and corporate events, we specialize in crafting bespoke dining experiences that will leave your guests in awe.

Every menu we create reflects your cultural traditions, personal preferences, and unique tastes. Whether it's a fusion of South Indian flavors or a completely custom menu, we ensure each dish tells your story. From the very first bite to the final indulgence, your guests will embark on a culinary journey of unforgettable flavors and textures.

At Crystal Events & Management, we don't just serve food; we create experiences that bring people together to celebrate life's most cherished moments. Let us turn your event into a feast of memories!

A Culinary Legacy Built on Passion and Hard Work

The story of Crystal Events & Management begins with Kirubagaran Kuppusamy, a man whose journey epitomizes hard work and determination. Starting as a dishwasher at Wings Chinese Restaurant in 1992 after arriving in the UK, he rose to become a chef and later purchased the restaurant in 1996. This marked the start of his culinary legacy, as he expanded into hosting intimate events and managing renowned venues like Rose House Banqueting and Crystal Wembley.

Kirubagaran's son, Jas Kirubagaran, grew up immersed in the family business, spending his childhood watching his father's relentless dedication. By the age of nine, Jas was already helping with small tasks, showing an early passion for hospitality. After joining the family business full-time in 2018, Jas brought fresh energy and innovative ideas, expanding Crystal's reach into high-profile catering and large-scale events.

Together, this father-son duo has elevated Crystal Events & Management to new heights, catering to prestigious venues like the Oval Cricket Ground and landmark events, including shows for music legends like Anirudh Ravichander at the O2 Arena and Ilaiyaraaja at the OVO Arena Wembley.



Savouring the Moment: Exceptional Culinary Experiences

At Crystal Events & Management, we understand that food is the crown jewel of any event. From Tamil Hindu weddings to corporate events, we specialize in creating bespoke dining experiences tailored to your preferences, traditions, and unique vision.



Customized Menus: Tailored to Your Taste

Every menu we design reflects your personality and cultural heritage. Whether it's traditional Tamil, Sri Lankan, South Indian classics, or innovative fusion dishes, our chefs ensure that each bite is a celebration of flavor.



Culinary Theatre: Interactive Food Stations

Make your event unforgettable with live food stations like our signature Puttu, Kottu Roti, Dosa, or Hopper stations. Guests can watch their food prepared fresh in front of them, adding an interactive and exciting element to the celebration.



Late-Night Snacks: The Perfect Finale to Your Celebration

As the music keeps playing and the dance floor stays alive, treat your guests to our mouthwatering late-night snack options, featuring our legendary Kebab Station. It's the ultimate way to refuel and keep the celebration going strong, leaving everyone with a delicious memory to savor!

Our Full Range of Services

We offer more than just catering—we create seamless event experiences.

- **Bespoke Catering:** Featuring South Indian, Sri Lankan, and international cuisines.
- **Live Food Stations:** Interactive culinary experiences that wow your guests.
- **Bar Services:** Professional bartenders serving cocktails and mocktails.
- **Event Coordination:** Ensuring every detail of your event runs smoothly.









Crystal's Journey: From Humble Beginnings to Industry Leader

Before Crystal Events & Management became a household name, its founder's journey was anything but easy.

- In 1984, a young Kirubagaran began his career as a waiter at a hotel in Jaffna, Sri Lanka, sparking his interest in food.
- By 1989, amidst the challenges of Sri Lanka's civil war, he moved to Vavuniya and secured a tender contract for the hospital canteen.
- His move to the UK in 1992 marked a turning point. Starting as a dishwasher, he worked his way up to owning Wings Restaurant, where he began catering small events.
- Over the years, he expanded his business with venues like Rose House Banqueting in Kingsbury (2001) and Crystal Wembley (2012), doubling capacities and scaling operations.

His son Jas has since propelled the company into the spotlight, securing high-profile events and catering at iconic venues, earning Crystal a reputation as one of the top catering services in the UK.

Why Choose Crystal Events & Management?

With over a decade of experience in the events and catering industry, Crystal is dedicated to delivering exceptional service and creating memorable experiences. From intimate gatherings to grand celebrations with over 1,000 guests, we ensure every detail is executed with precision and care.

Contact Crystal Events & Management today and let us bring your vision to life. Together, we'll create unforgettable moments, one dish at a time.

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Hoppers Island

Where Tradition Meets Dessert Innovation





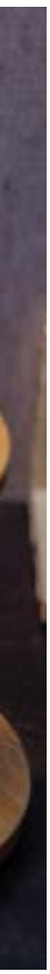


Established in 2024, Hoppers Island is a family-run culinary venture that began with humble roots in small food orders and has grown into a celebrated name for its innovative take on traditional Sri Lankan hoppers.

Specialising exclusively in hoppers, an iconic Sri Lankan delicacy, we have re-imagined this beloved dish, traditionally served as savoury dishes, by infusing it with an array of decadent dessert flavours, blending Sri Lankan tradition with Western creativity. Drawing inspiration from global trends, we introduced a fusion menu that redefines hoppers with exciting sweet flavours. From indulgent chocolate to tropical fruit toppings, our creations bring a fresh, irresistible take on this timeless dish.



Our mission is to bring people together over food that feels familiar yet excitingly new, making hoppers the centerpiece of any occasion. Whether you are hosting a private gathering, corporate event or festival, Hoppers Island provides a bespoke culinary experience tailored to delight your guests. Our hoppers are freshly prepared on-site, ensuring the perfect blend of flavour, texture and presentation that elevates any occasion.





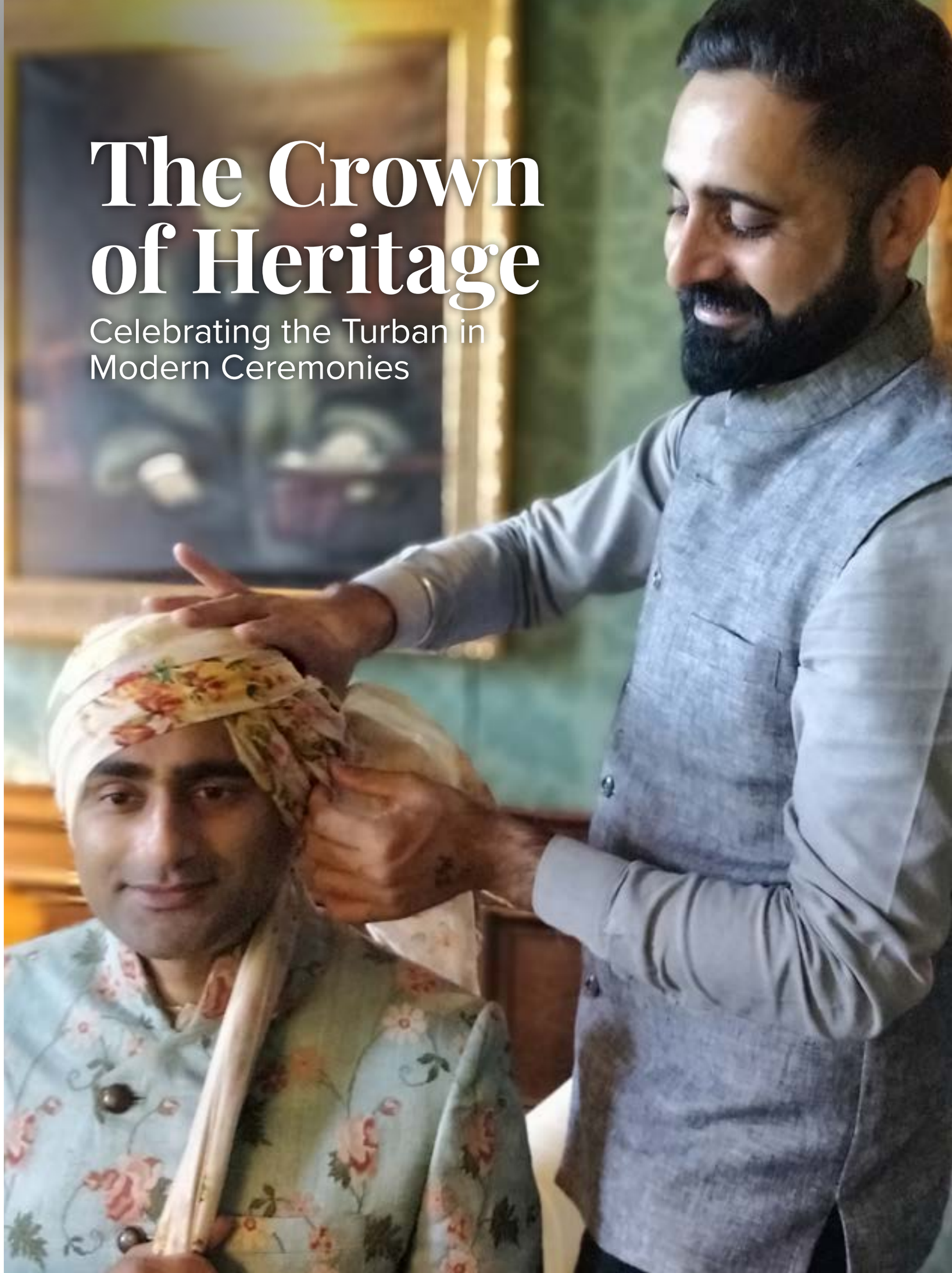






Our journey is rooted in celebrating the rich culinary heritage of Sri Lanka while making it accessible and exciting for a global audience. Hoppers Island embodies the idea of connection- between old and new, tradition and modernity, and people brought together through food.

Let us bring a little bit of Sri Lankan magic and a lot of sweet surprises to your next event. Hoppers Island; where heritage meets dessert innovation, and every bite is a celebration.



The Crown of Heritage

Celebrating the Turban in Modern Ceremonies





In the tapestry of cultural traditions, few elements carry the grace and dignity of the turban. More than mere headwear, it stands as a living testament to centuries of heritage, carefully preserved and reimagined for contemporary celebrations. At Indian weddings and formal ceremonies, the turban—whether called pagri, safa, or dastar—transforms not just appearances but elevates the very essence of the occasion.

Each fold in a ceremonial turban tells a story. The Maharaja style speaks of royal heritage, while the Rajasthani Jodhpur pagri echoes the desert kingdom's timeless elegance. The Patiala Shahi, with its distinctive pleats, carries forward Punjab's rich cultural legacy. These styles, each meticulously crafted, represent not just fashion but a bridge between generations.





The art of turban-tying itself is a celebration of precision and patience. Expert stylists work with fabric and form, understanding that each twist and turn must align perfectly with the wearer's personality and the occasion's significance. The chosen colour palette plays its own crucial role—rich maroons speaking of celebration, elegant creams suggesting sophistication, and royal blues declaring distinction.

For the modern groom, wearing a turban represents more than following tradition. It's a conscious embrace of cultural identity, a statement that bridges the contemporary with the classical. When paired with a sharply cut sherwani or a beautifully detailed bandhgala, the turban completes a visual symphony of style and substance.

Beyond its aesthetic appeal, the turban carries deeper symbolism. It represents honour, respect, and responsibility—values that resonate particularly strongly during wedding ceremonies. For wedding guests and family members, wearing a turban shows respect not just for the occasion but for the cultural continuity it represents.





In an age where global influences shape our choices, the enduring appeal of the turban reminds us that some traditions don't just survive—they thrive. They adapt and evolve while keeping their core significance intact. Each ceremonial turban tied today adds another chapter to this continuing story of cultural celebration and pride.

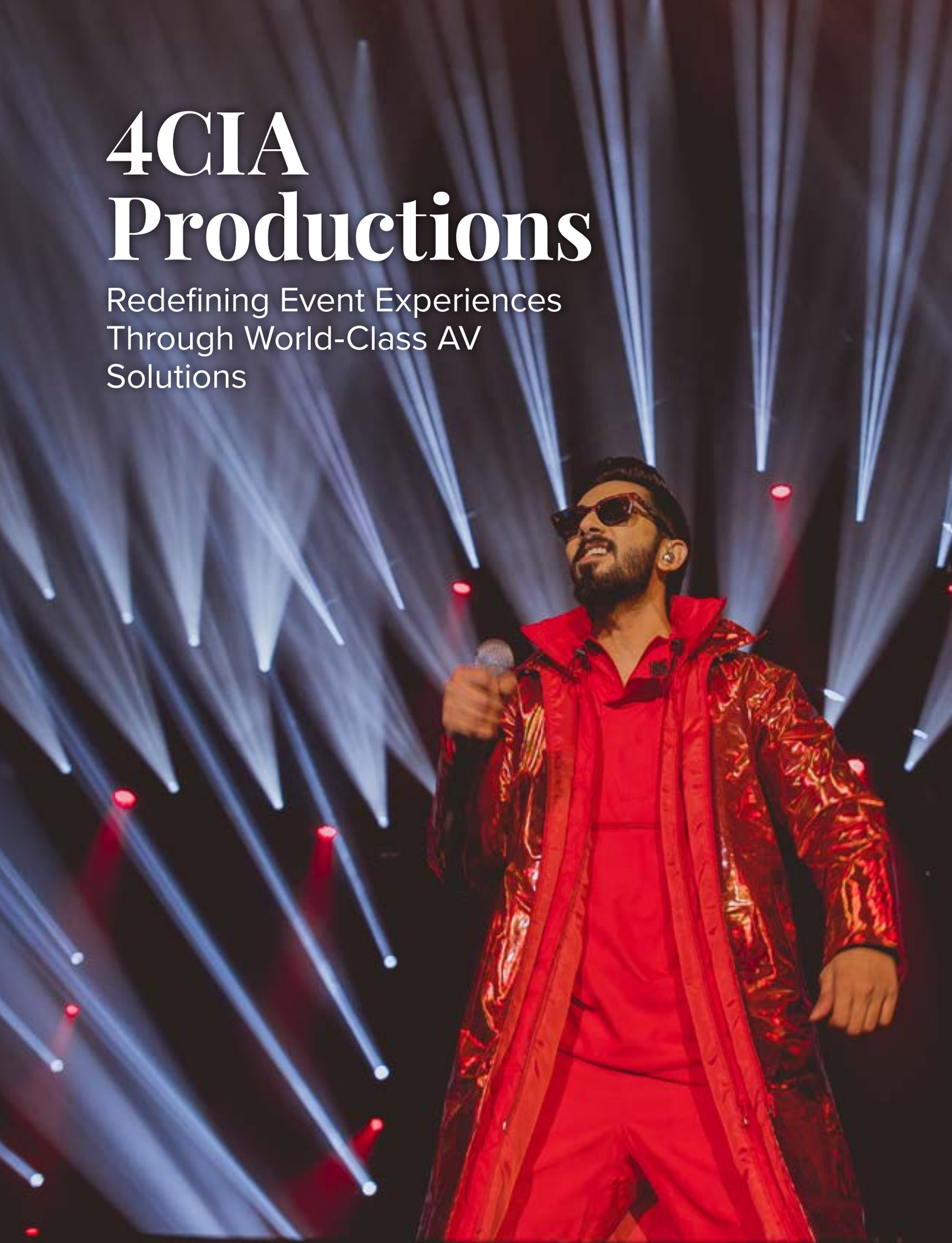
The turban stands as proof that tradition and modernity need not be at odds. In its elegant folds lie the wisdom of ages and the promise of tomorrow—a crown that honours the past while embracing the future with grace and dignity.





4CIA Productions

Redefining Event Experiences Through World-Class AV Solutions





When it comes to transforming events of all sizes into unforgettable experiences, 4CIA Productions stands at the forefront of the AV production industry. Founded in 2013, the

company has grown from offering simple AV services to becoming a renowned innovator in lighting, sound, and LED technology. With a portfolio that includes over 30 years of industry experience and prestigious venues such as The O2, ExCel London, The Convention Centre Dublin and Accor Arena Paris, 4CIA Productions is the trusted partner for events across Europe, ensuring world-class AV solutions for every occasion.

Expertise in Every Aspect of AV Production

4CIA Productions is committed to delivering exceptional AV services for a wide variety of events, from intimate weddings and corporate events to large-scale concerts and stage productions.

The company's expertise spans all aspects of production, offering tailored solutions for each event's unique needs. Whether it's cutting-edge lighting, immersive sound design, or stunning LED displays, 4CIA Productions brings every vision to life with precision and creativity.





Elevating Weddings with Personalised AV Production

For couples looking to make their wedding day truly unforgettable, 4CIA Productions specializes in creating breathtaking LED setups and lighting designs that transform every moment. Their expertise in custom lighting allows them to craft the perfect ambiance, whether it's a soft romantic glow for the ceremony or vibrant lighting effects for the reception. The team's cutting- edge LED panel technology provides endless creative possibilities, from dynamic backdrops and visual displays to personalized messages or photo montages that reflect the couple's unique journey. Each element is thoughtfully designed to elevate key moments, like the grand entrance and first dance, transforming your wedding into an immersive, visual experience.

Having worked at some of London's most renowned wedding venues, including Grosvenor

House, Hampton Court, and the Royal Lancaster London, 4CIA Productions brings a wealth of expertise to deliver stunning, tailored AV experiences that will make your special day unforgettable.



Bringing Stages to Life

When it comes to theatre productions and performances, 4CIA Productions is the go-to AV partner. Their dynamic lighting and sound designs can transform any venue, enhancing performances and energizing the audience. The team works closely with producers and directors to bring their creative vision to life, whether for an intimate stage performance or a massive live concert. Their extensive knowledge of stage design, combined with innovative lighting,











LED technology and attention to detail, allows for spectacular productions with soundscapes and visuals that enhance every movement.

Full-Service Production for Every Event

From start to finish, 4CIA Productions manages every aspect of event production, ensuring a smooth and seamless experience for clients. Their team handles everything, including technical coordination, equipment setup, and post-event breakdown. Whether organizing a wedding,

corporate event, dance competition, or live stage show, 4CIA Productions is committed to executing every detail with precision and expertise.



SNEHALAYAA
SILKS

A Timeless Journey with Sneha & Prasanna

What started as a dream shoot in India two years ago with Tamil actress Sneha and her husband Prasanna has since blossomed into an unforgettable creative journey. When Sneha launched her saree brand, Snehalaya Silks, she once again entrusted Sivaprakash Photography—this time for a high-profile promotional shoot in London to celebrate her website launch. The result was nothing short of extraordinary: a visual masterpiece that turned into a resounding success.

But the journey didn't end there. Sivaprakash Photography had the privilege of capturing something even more special—a heartwarming family shoot featuring Sneha, Prasanna, and their two little stars. Their love, chemistry, and warmth unfolded effortlessly in front of the lens, creating memories that were truly magical.

Through every session, their humility, grace, and genuine charm shone through. Sneha and Prasanna are not just stars on screen—they embody authenticity and kindness in every sense of the word. Their trust, energy, and down-to-earth nature made each moment behind the camera a joy and an experience to treasure.

This journey with them? Simply timeless.

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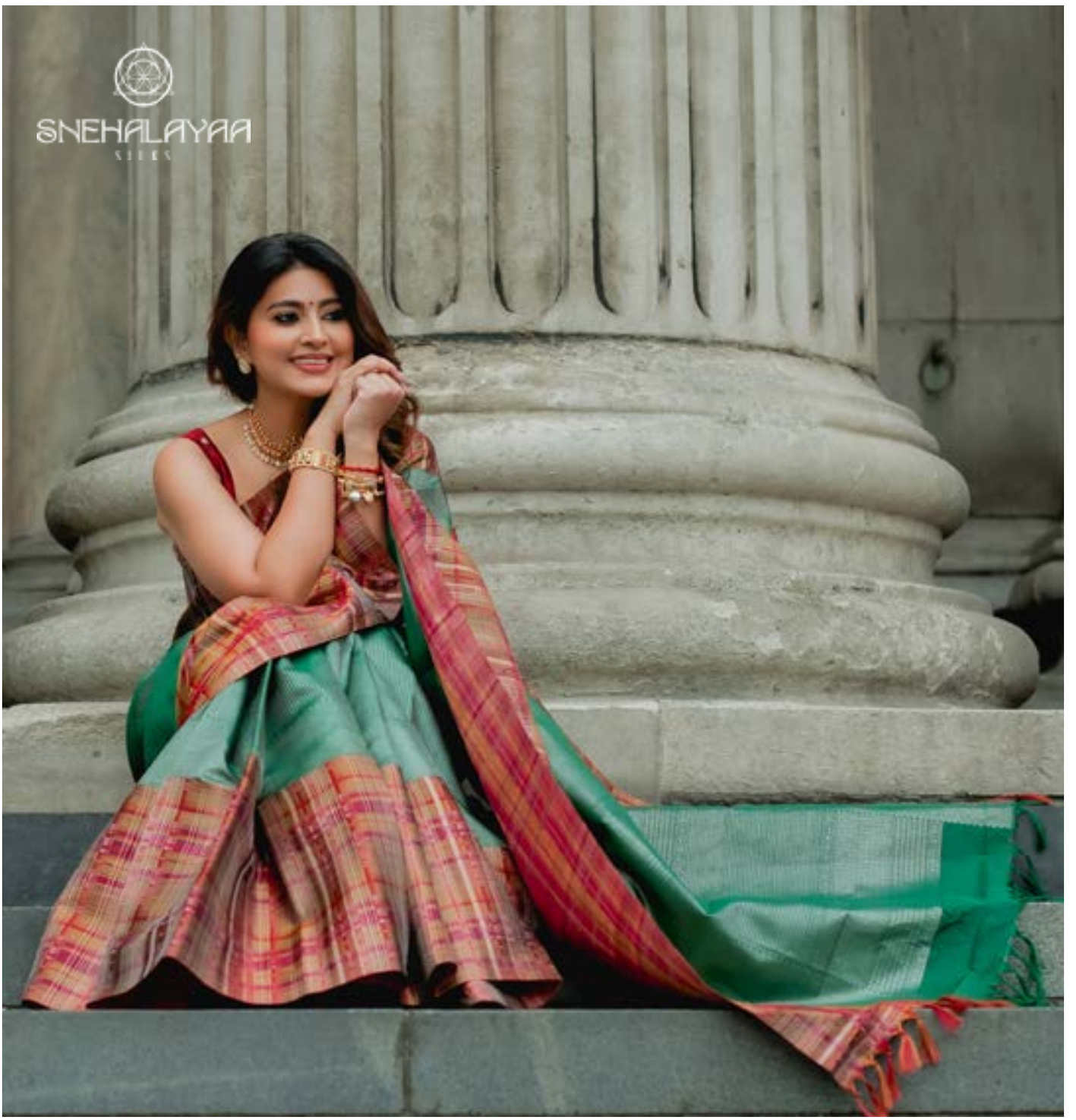
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Briyanka & Ananth



Our Love Story

A Perfect Blend of Tradition and Modern Elegance



Our wedding was a blend of time-honoured Tamil traditions and modern elegance, thoughtfully crafted to celebrate our heritage and love. From the very beginning Briyanka and I knew we wanted every element to be a reflection of both our personalities and our culture. Together with a team of incredible vendors, we focused on creating a timeless vibe, from the colours to the ambience, ensuring everything felt harmonious and personal. The design was a tribute to the richness of our Tamil heritage, while adding a touch of modern charm.

Organising the Colour Palette and Aesthetic

Our photographer Soozana played a key role in bringing our vision to life. She worked closely with us to help select a colour palette that captured the timeless and classic Tamil style we desired. Soozana's expertise helped us ensure that the colours weren't just reflecting the cultural significance but also aesthetic to the eye. One of the decisions we had to make was incorporating pastel tones into the traditional Tamil wedding aesthetic. While vibrant, rich hues like red and gold are often the hallmarks of Hindu weddings, Soozana suggested a fresh approach by using soft pastels. These colours provided a delicate balance between timeless tradition and modern sophistication. The idea of using subtle shades of different colours allowed us to create a serene, romantic atmosphere without losing the essence of our cultural roots. We communicated the pastel colour palette to our extended families and relatives. Our families embraced the colour scheme, and the result was a seamless blend of tradition and modernity.

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Long Hours and Thoughtful Preparation

It was crucial for us to choose the vendors who would help us execute our vision. Behind every beautiful moment, there were hours of meticulous planning and preparation between ourselves, our families and our vendors. Kandee anna from Amari Events designed a stunning temple manavarai made entirely of wood, an intricate structure that captured the essence of traditional Tamil architecture. This Kovil manavarai took Kandee anna and his team 8 months from designing to completion and multiple trips to India. I instantly fell in love when Kandee anna showed me pictures and videos of this Kovil architecture that was being built and I knew that Briyanka would love it too. Kandee anna suggested keeping the manavarai a surprise from Briyanka and she only saw it as she was walking down the aisle. During our calls with Kandee Anna, he always said 'trust me' regarding the decoration to Briyanka and she was left speechless on the day.

Thuva and the team from Jakobz Media were fantastic in ensuring that every moment of our wedding; from the preshoot to the emotional rituals on the day was beautifully captured on film. Their attention to detail and dedication was evident in the final video, allowing myself and Briyanka to relive those moments for years to come.





> ***Briyanka and I couldn't have asked for a more perfect day, reflecting our Tamil Hindu roots while celebrating the love we have for each other. helped bring our dream wedding vision to life.***













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Soozana also mentioned the importance of the set up at both the bride and grooms houses in the morning as all the bridal and groom portraits were taken there. Briyanka went for a floating flower backdrop that was light and airy. I went for a regal set up with panels, lanterns and a wooden bench. Subangi, who was Soozana's second photographer, captured all the intricate details beautifully.

Outstanding Service and Culinary Delights

It was essential for us and our families to make sure that everyone went home with their stomachs full. Mohan anna and Arun anna from Ruby's Catering provided an authentic Sri Lankan and South Indian breakfast and lunch that





left our guests raving. The food was not just a meal, but an experience that connected our guests to our cultural roots – especially the fresh coconuts. Every dish was crafted with love and attention to detail, bringing together flavours that celebrated both Tamil and Sri Lankan culinary traditions.





Unique Touches That Made It Ours

A wedding is more than just a celebration of love; it's an expression of personality and uniqueness. Our wedding day was filled with personalised touches that truly made it ours. Akhilesh from Aaahaa Kalyanam was an amazing wedding coordinator who ensured everything ran smoothly, allowing us to truly enjoy our day. Akhilesh communicated with all of the vendors leading up to the wedding and on the wedding day, so that Briyanka and I enjoyed the day and didn't have to do any of the logistics. Briyanka's makeup by Eva was flawless and perfectly complemented her beauty, while Ranya Sarees provided two exquisite sarees that made her look absolutely stunning. Her jewellery was from AKN jewellery and she opted for a simple modern first look and a simple traditional second look. For my attire, Jenson from Singarajah London helped me select the perfect Sherwani for my first look to go with the regal theme and







a traditional Veshti for the ceremony, ensuring that I looked and felt my best. A few years ago, Briyanka saw that one of Soozana's past couples had done a photoshoot together with their first look and we both loved the idea of this, as so much time and effort goes into creating that first look and usually you only get solo portraits with this look. We are so glad that we were able to have these photos taken by Soozana at a barn before the wedding ceremony although traditionally we were only meant to see each other at the manavarai – some of these photos will definitely be framed in our new home. Another small detail that Soozana advised us was to have orange, pink or yellow rose petals thrown during the tying of the Thaali to give a clean fresh. Briyanka had ten bridesmaids and per Soozana's advise we chose 5 different pastel shades which were all the same design from Ranya sarees.

Reflections of a Timeless Day

As the day unfolded, it was clear that every detail was perfectly in place, thanks to our incredible team of vendors. The flowers and garlands, provided by Lotus by Tamadded a touch of elegance, while the live musicians who performed during the breakfast and the Hindu ceremony brought energy and joy to every moment. Dj Gaj from Bee Sounds ensured that the music was a seamless backdrop to the ceremony. As we look back at our wedding, we're so grateful for everyone who helped bring our dream wedding vision to life. Every moment was captured beautifully. Briyanka and I couldn't have asked for a more perfect day, reflecting our Tamil Hindu rootswhile celebrating the love we have for each other.



Vendors

PHOTOGRAPHY
Soozana Pavan Photography

VIDEOGRAPHY
Jakobz Media

EVENT DECOR & MANAVARAI
Amari Events

WEDDING COORDINATION
Aaahaa Kalyanam

CATERING
Ruby's Catering

MAKEUP
Eva

BRIDE'S SAREES
Ranya Sarees

JEWELLERY
AKN Jewellery

GROOM'S ATTIRE
Singarajah London

FLOWER GARLANDS
Lotus by Tam

MUSIC
DJ Gaj (Bee Sounds)














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Maithu & Ahmed



Our Love Story

An Unforgettable Celebration of Love



What began as an endearing name mix-up in New York blossomed into an eight-year journey of love and adventure before Ahmed surprised Maithu with a proposal at Edinburgh's historic Vennel Steps. Though their friends anticipated a tropical proposal months later in St Lucia, Ahmed chose Edinburgh's wintry charm, knowing its significance as Maithu's home. The December sky cleared just for their moment, offering a rare hour of sunshine as he dropped to one knee.

The couple's vision for their wedding centered around bringing together their worlds at the historic Northbrook Park in London. Their planner Mathini brought their vision to life through countless Zoom calls between London and New York, crafting a two-day celebration that honored their shared love for food and creating memories with friends.

The festivities began in Northbrook Park's enchanting Orangery, where glass doors opened onto a quintessentially British walled garden complete with wandering peacocks. The welcome party set the tone for the weekend, with friends serving as emcees adding personal touches to the celebrations. Indian street food stations dotted the space as guests mingled, played games, and danced into the night which ended with fireworks.

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For the ceremony in the Vine Room, sunlight streamed through tall French windows, illuminating the marble flooring as the groomsmen entered in a joyful procession to the beats of South Indian music. Maithu made her entrance with her parents and sister, in a ceremony that beautifully balanced tradition with the couple's desire for an intimate celebration. Following the ceremony, guests enjoyed a traditional South Indian wedding Thaali, which was a feast that perfectly captured the flavors and traditions of a proper South Indian celebration.





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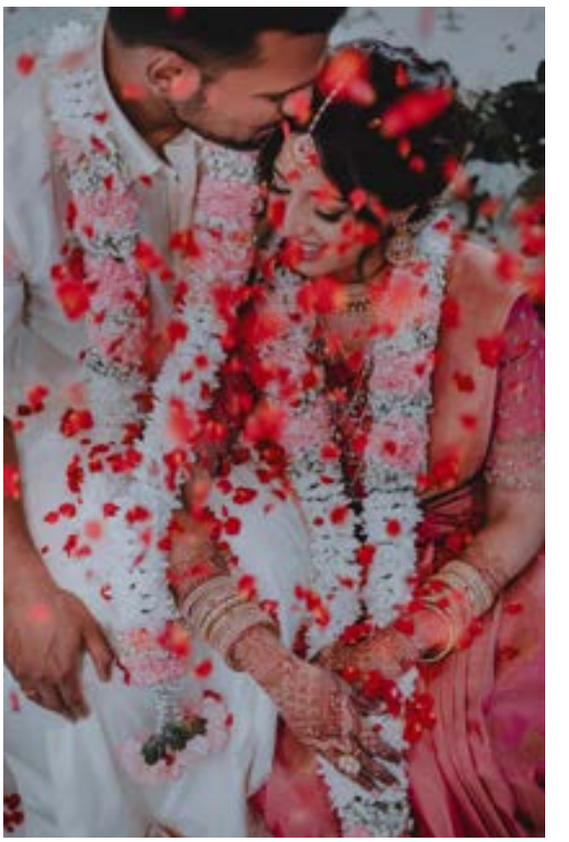

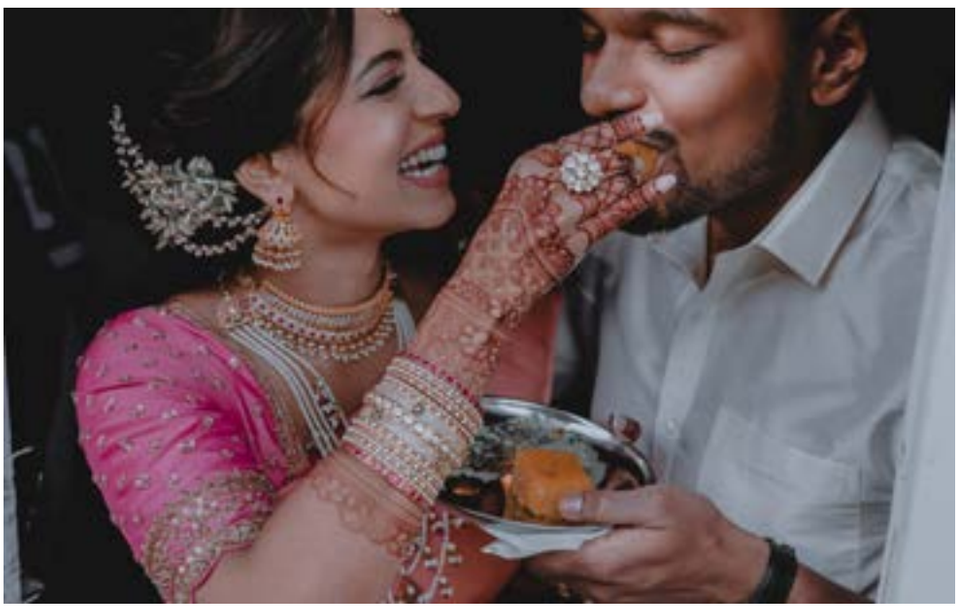









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The reception transformed the space into an elegant dinner party with a personal twist – each table thoughtfully named after episodes of 'Friends', marking significant moments from the couple's adventures together. After an incredible Indo-Chinese feast, friends and family took to the dance floor, keeping the celebrations alive well into the night. Daran and the Photonimage team wove through the celebrations with an artful eye, capturing both the grandeur of Northbrook Park and the intimate moments between the couple and their guests. Despite Ahmed's initial camera





shyness, the team's warm and humorous approach helped him feel completely at ease, resulting in naturally candid moments throughout the weekend. Their innovative approach of conducting impromptu interviews throughout the weekend added an unexpected layer of joy to the documentation, creating a tapestry of memories through both images and spoken words. Mathini's creative touches elevated the celebrations - a photobooth audiobook replaced the traditional guest book, capturing spontaneous messages from loved ones that the couple still delights in discovering. The seating chart, signed by all their guests, became a cherished memento of their wedding weekend.





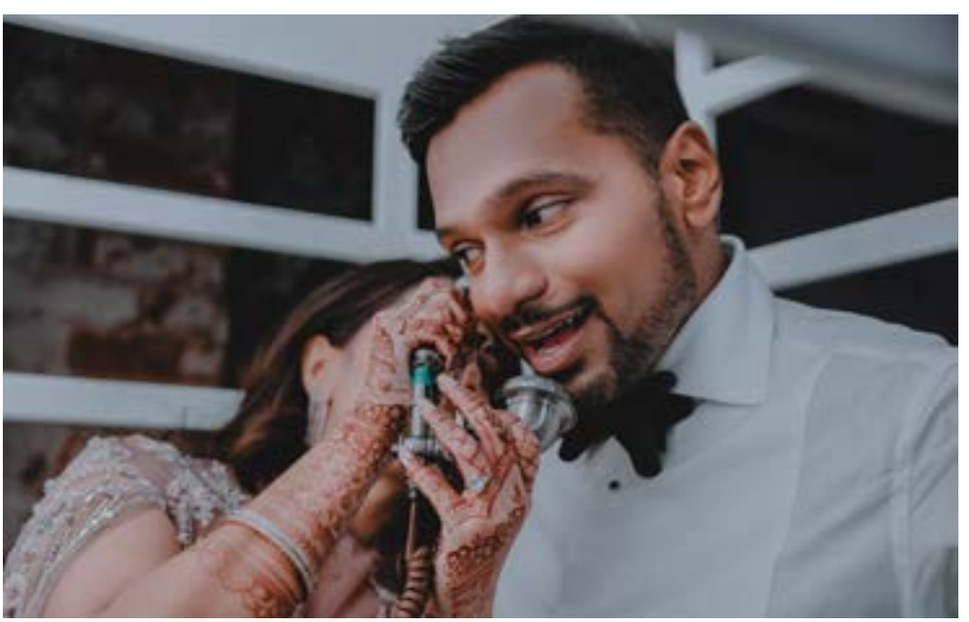






The celebrations were a testament to how love brings different worlds together, woven through with personal details - from Maithu's carefully chosen ensembles from Chennai to the music that filled their parties. Each element reflected their journey, creating not just a wedding, but a joyful reunion of friends and family from across the globe.





Vendors

PLANNER
Mathini

VENUE
Northbrook Park, London

PHOTOGRAPHY & VIDEOGRAPHY
Daran and the Photonimage team

BRIDE'S ATTIRE
Ensembles from Chennai



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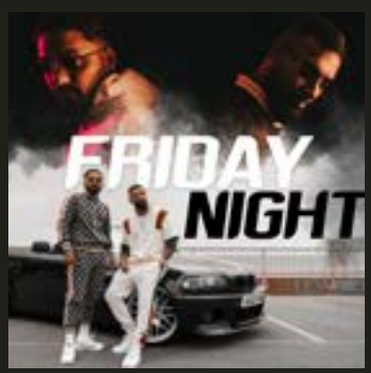







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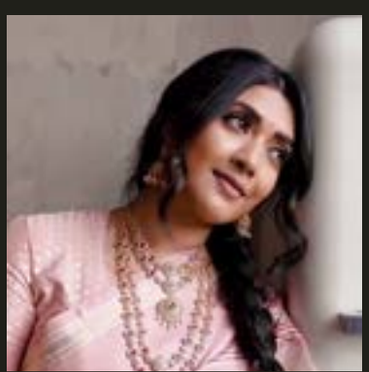

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Mayuri & Varan



Our Love Story

A Love Written in Fate and Travel

Groom

meet the leading man, Varan. Varan, wanderlust at heart, was busy enjoying his solo travels, when approached by his friend's wife as to whether he would be interested in going on a date with her friend, to which he politely declined. Fast forward a year and a half later, his friend picked up where his wife had left off and asked Varan if he was finally done with travelling and would be interested in settling down. Varan decided to take a chance and said 'yes' and as they say... the rest is history. Except, Varan was not "done with travelling", the travelling did indeed continue except now he had a travel partner to share his experiences with.

Bride

meet the leading lady, Mayuri. Mayuri is a big believer in fate and that everything will happen when the timing is right. With this faith, she was determined to wait for the right man to come along and swoop her off her feet. When Mayuri met Varan, she knew on their first date that he was in fact the man she had been waiting for. After a year of dating, Varan proposed in Finland,and it was in that moment she knew that all her dreams were about to come true, and the wait was truly worth it.

Groom's outfits

"I chose to wear Singarajah for all three of my wedding outfits because of its cultural significance, aesthetic appeal, and luxury look. For the Hindu Wedding, I opted for the classic Singarajah veshti attire; often traditional and richly decorated, proudly reflecting my Tamil heritage, and honouring my strong traditional roots. I also customised traditional veshti attire from Singarajah for my groomsmen, in a subtle rose gold colour tone to complement the bridesmaids' sarees."





"For the Civil Ceremony and Reception, I chose the unique and elegant design of the three-piece suit and midnight blue shine tuxedo to enhance the visual and emotional impact of the wedding day, making it a more memorable and meaningful celebration."

Bride's outfits

"My mum always wanted to go to India for my wedding shopping and since I'm the only daughter, I wanted to give her that experience. We took my aunt and Varan's sister with us, and it turned out to be such a wholesome trip. We spent four days in Chennai and one day in Kanchipuram shopping for hours on end trying to find the perfect sarees for me, my relatives, and my bridesmaids. I have always been complimented when I wore yellow sarees and I also liked the idea of a pink Koorai rather than the traditional red, so it massively helped having these colours in mind when we were overwhelmed with the choices in India. After a whole day of shopping and

















> ***I wasn't done with traveling; I just found the perfect travel partner.***



not overly amazed with any of the sarees we had seen, we stumbled across the perfect yellow and bronze combination and immediately knew it was 'the one'. For my Koorai saree, we decided to take a day trip to Kanchipuram, where the sarees are cherished for their beauty, craftsmanship and cultural heritage. Whilst looking through an extensive collection of bridal sarees, we were presented with an eye catching hot pink saree with orange undertones and peacock motifs enriching the entire saree. The peacocks were the detail that sealed the deal as my name translates to 'peacock' in Sanskrit, so it felt like this saree had my name written all over it... quite literally."

"For the Civil Ceremony, I decided to wear a white dress to honour the traditional English wedding customs. Having been born and brought up in England, it was important for me to incorporate the part of me that connected me with English culture. This choice reflected my appreciation for English heritage whilst also aligning with my personal style and formal nature of the ceremony."

Mayuri chose a beautiful sheath dress with thin diamante straps and a long lace







trail designed by Enzoani, a luxury bridal fashion brand known for its elegant and sophisticated wedding dresses.

For the Reception, Mayuri wore a stunning cream lehengha featuring delicate pearl embellishments. The lehengha was designed by Ridhi Mehra, an Indian fashion designer known for her contemporary and elegant designs.







Dog

"Rocco came into my life during lockdown (for the COVID-19 pandemic); a period in most people's lives where time stood still and for those individuals that lived alone, like myself, it was quite an isolating experience. Rocco was, and still is, my pride and joy; he provided me with comfort and unconditional love during a time when I needed it the most. Unfortunately, I did not have him present at any of the wedding events, but I was fortunate enough to get a couple of photos and videos with him in my Manavarai saree whilst he was dressed in a matching yellow salwar (bought for him by Varan)."



Venues– "We chose The Oshwal Centre for our Hindu Wedding as it provided a combination of cultural significance, picturesque surroundings and spacious facilities making it an appealing choice for a wedding venue. We were blessed





to have the sun shining throughout the day which made for good photos and videos for us and our guests by the beautiful Temple outside."

"For our Civil Ceremony and Reception, we wanted a venue that would enhance the overall experience for our guests. We decided upon DeVere Wokefield Estate; the venue offered a combination of traditional elegance and modern facilities, as well as on-site accommodation making it a more convenient, enjoyable, and memorable experience for our guests."

The Civil Ceremony was held in the stunning Mansion House, surrounded by 250 acres of parkland providing the perfect backdrop for their special day.

The Reception commenced later that evening over at Wokefield Place and continued on until the early hours of the next morning.

Décor

The couple chose the well renowned Wed in Style décor company for all three of their events. With a proven track record, impressive portfolio and good reputation amongst the Asian wedding industry, Wed in Style seemed like the obvious choice. They provided an exceptional service at all three events, going above and beyond the couple's expectations.

"For the Hindu Wedding, we opted for an open plan Manavarai to allow all our guests, especially those who are unfamiliar with a Hindu Wedding, to have the perfect view of our sacred ceremony. We added details of Ganesh statues/ silhouettes to represent the importance of having God bear witness to our marriage and signify a divine blessing and approval of our union."

"For the Civil Ceremony, we decided to go with an elegant flower arch creating a stunning focal point for us to stand together, hand in hand, exchanging our vows to one another."

"The dance floor at the Reception provided the centre stage for our travel theme, customised with our initials and centred within a large compass evoking a sense of exploration, adventure and discovering new destinations. Surrounding the compass were pink cherry blossoms, also known as 'sakura' in Japan which was the basis of the dusty pink colour theme and table centrepieces."





Vendors

HINDU WEDDING VENUE
The Oshwal Centre

CIVIL CEREMONY & RECEPTION VENUE
DeVere Wokefield Estate (Mansion House & Wokefield Place)

DÉCOR
Wed in Style

BRIDE'S OUTFITS
Sarees from Chennai & Kanchipuram, Enzoani (Civil Ceremony), Ridhi Mehra (Reception)

GROOM'S OUTFITS
Singarajah (Hindu Wedding & Groomsmen Attire), Three-piece suit & Midnight Blue Shine Tuxedo

DOG'S ATTIRE
Matching Yellow Salwar





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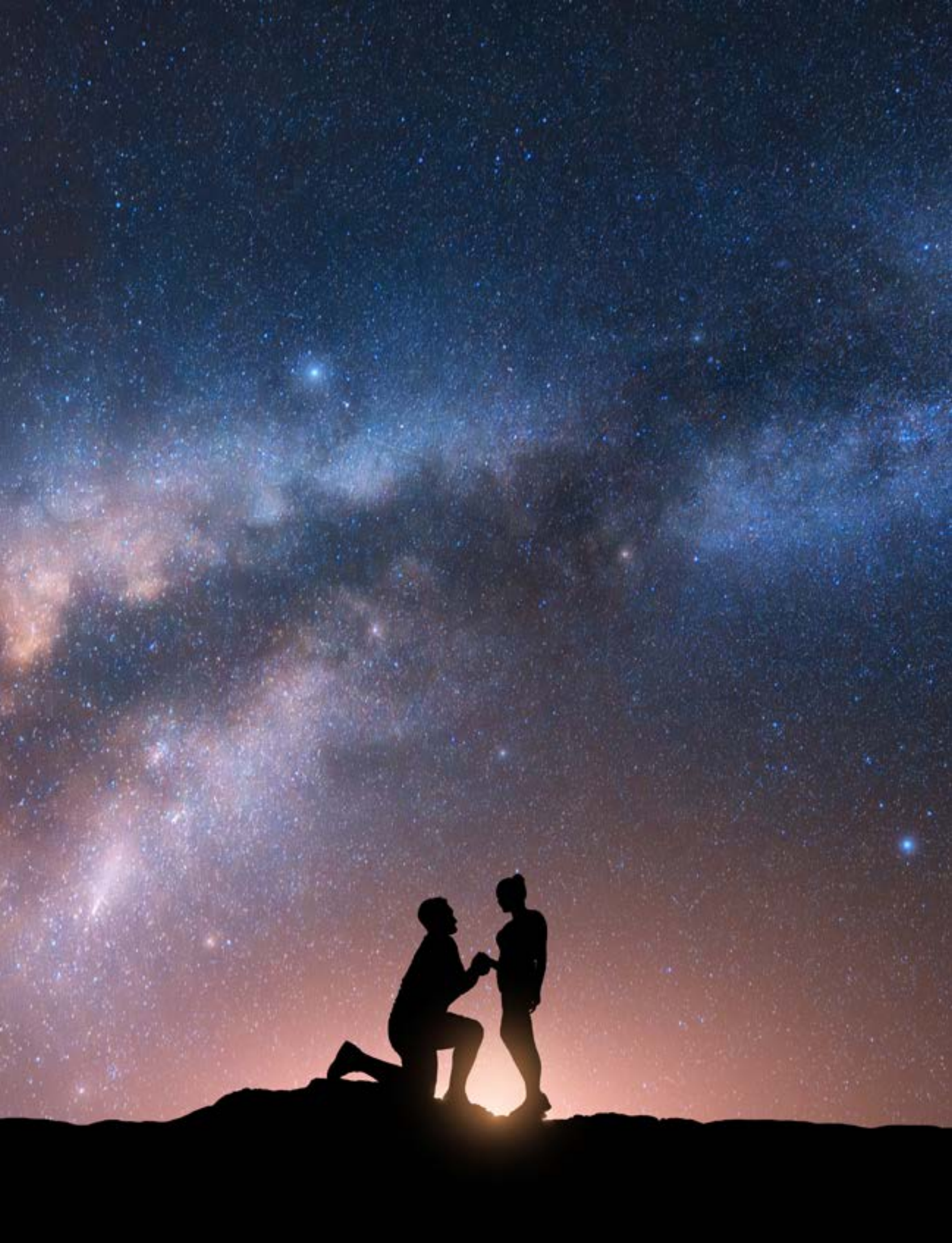



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At Fancy Florist Inc., we've always believed that flowers are more than just petals — they tell stories, evoke emotions, and connect us to our roots. As we continue to push boundaries and innovate, we're proud to share some exciting updates on how we're expanding our mission to revive the culture of flowers.

Our dedication to weddings and events remains at the heart of what we do, bringing unique designs that blend tradition with modern elegance — giving our clients a fresh perspective on floral artistry.

This year, we're introducing new programs and partnerships designed to foster growth and collaboration. From innovative marketing opportunities to fresh business connections, we're creating pathways for everyone to bloom together.

As we look ahead, Fancy Florist Inc. is committed to inspiring creativity, building meaningful connections, and celebrating the beauty of flowers in all its forms.
🌸 Here's to a year of growth, color, and endless possibilities.



Wedding Planning

At Fancy Florist Inc., we specialize in creating unforgettable floral designs that elevate every aspect of your special day. From vibrant Haldi décor bursting with color to enchanting Sangeet and Henna setups that celebrate tradition, our custom designs bring your vision to life. Whether you're planning a stunning wedding ceremony, a grand reception, or incorporating unique floral accents throughout your celebration, our team curates each detail with creativity and care.

Budgeting

We understand that weddings are a meaningful new chapter, and we believe that beautiful floral designs shouldn't break the bank. That's why we're committed to offering reasonable pricing without compromising on quality. Our goal is to provide breathtaking arrangements that fit your budget — because you deserve to celebrate your big day without the stress of overpaying.

Wedding Day Timeline

From designing your floral vision to planning the perfect wedding day timeline, we handle it all. Our team ensures seamless coordination, offering shipping, delivery, and full setup services across North America to make your wedding day as smooth and stress-free as possible. Wherever your love story takes you, Fancy Florist Inc. is here to make your floral dreams bloom.





Bridal Fashion & Beauty

As we step into 2025, South Asian bridal floral fashion is embracing elegance, tradition, and creativity like never before. At Fancy Florist Inc., we are redefining bridal beauty with intricate floral designs that elevate every moment of your special day.

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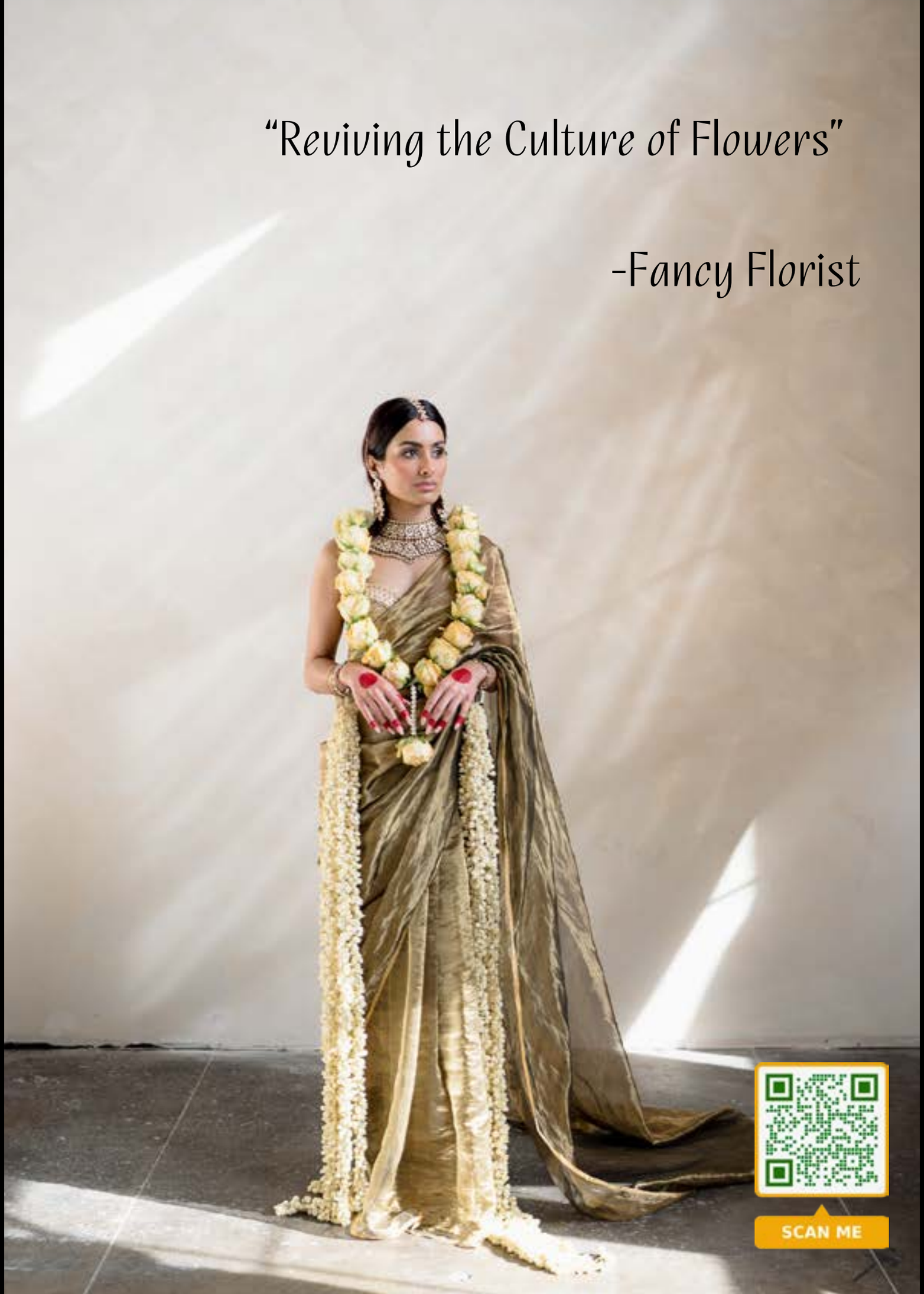
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LOVEABLE ENTERTAINMENT

Loveable Entertainment is a dynamic entertainment and media company based in the Toronto area, offering a full range of DJ services, professional audio and visual solutions, and media production expertise. Their team consists of highly skilled DJs, videographers, photographers, and technicians dedicated to bringing your events to life. They specialize in creating unforgettable experiences for weddings, receptions, birthday parties, private parties, club events, and bar and shisha lounge gatherings.

With an emphasis on high-quality sound, vibrant visuals, and memorable moments, Loveable Entertainment ensures every event is tailored to meet your needs. Their premium photo booth services provide fun and interactive ways to capture the best memories, while their skilled media team is ready to document your celebration with cinematic photography and videography. Serving Toronto and the Greater Toronto Area, we bring creativity, passion, and a personal touch to every event they touch.

DJ Temptationz

I started my DJ journey with Loveable Entertainment working behind the scenes as part of the lights crew. But as I got deeper into the scene, I found myself drawn to the decks and the art of mixing between tracks. Loveable took me under his wing and helped me develop my skills. I'm inspired by the vibrant energy of Tamil, Soca, Dancehall, Afrobeat, and Hip-Hop music—each genre brings its own rhythm and life, and I love how they connect people on the dance floor. My ultimate goal is to not only master these sounds but also to create my own signature style that brings together different crowds and moves the floor. I want to continue growing as an artist, playing at bigger venues, and eventually building a name for myself in the DJ scene.





MC Mathuran

How I got started as an MC?

Back when I was in middle school a few of my friends decided to give me the nickname MC. MC is a shortened version of my first name which is McKinley. Before I knew it everyone around me started calling me MC to the point I went along with it. Fast forward to the year 2022, a close friend of mine was soon getting married and in the stages of planning his wedding. One evening as we were hanging out, we asked him how his wedding planning was coming along when he mentioned he was unsure of who to choose or hire to be MC for his wedding reception. Another one of my friends responded saying, "You should make MC your MC". My friend then asked if I was up for the task to which I replied, I'd be honoured to be the MC. After doing alot of research on how to be an awesome MC i was able to execute my job successfully providing a smooth flow to his wedding reception, keeping his guests engaged and impacting the overall success and enjoyment of the event. From here on out I've been the goto person whenever my friends need an MC to host their wedding receptions and/or events. After MC-ing a couple times I was told by many different people that I should consider a career on the side as being an MC. The feedback I've received is what truly inspired me into pursuing this as a career. On top of this I love being able to make people laugh, smile and have the time of their lives. For each event I do I like to add my unique touch to create unforgettable moments and I'm always looking for new ways to improve. At the beginning of this year I was honoured to be hired as MC for Loveable Entertainment. Although my primary focus was MC-ing at wedding receptions, after joining the team I'm looking to expand my horizon to be able to do all types of events. I look forward to growing not only as an individual but with my fellow team members at Loveable Entertainment and see what the future has in store for us all. Cheers!



DJ LOHKEE

Living in Barrie, I grew up with groups of friends from both Caribbean backgrounds and South American cultures. My love for their music was inspired by high school bashment parties, games of dominoes, and food. The downside was not being surrounded by Tamil culture. During high school, there were only a limited number of Tamil people in Barrie.

I went to college for graphic design and rented houses in neighborhoods with Nigerian communities. On weekends, I learned how to BBQ at Nigerian and Ghanaian house events and partied downtown Toronto at underground raves. Through this, I developed a love for the growing Afrobeat scene in Toronto and dubstep from the UK.



I eventually moved back to Barrie, and with everything I had learned, along with the help of my best friend and his family—who already had a DJ background—I began my DJ career. My DJ skills were, and still are, rooted in chutney and soca with a Guyanese influence. With the help of DJ friends from Trinidad and Jamaica, I was able to pick up skills that could be applied to any DJ set, program, and controller.

The name "Loh Kee" was created to reflect my musical history and how I grew up, combining two ideas into one. The first idea was to incorporate a bit of graphic design, creating a symbol. Both words together, with "LOH" on top and "KEE" at the bottom, form a downward key symbol hidden within the text. The second idea was the name itself, reflecting DJing and music, particularly with my Tamil background. However, "Loh Kee" also hints at hidden surprises, such as unexpected skills and music content not necessarily related to Tamil culture.

The goal is to play and love music from different cultures, giving back to the same communities without being misjudged based on race and color. Since learning DJing, I've also developed a love for EDM, country, and classic rock. Hopefully, I'll be able to incorporate these genres into future sets and parties.

Alongside this, I also want to give back to my own culture and community, and learn things I didn't have while living in Barrie. With the help of Lovable Entertainment, I hope to grow and learn with the team. I also want to help the team expand our horizons to other community events.

The end goal is to help grow the business, where the main focus is to keep everyone remembering past events with us as lovable moments. I aim to maintain that growth alongside the ever-evolving music and entertainment industry.



Hektik lens

Name is Janarth! :) For the past 10 years, photography has been more than just a profession—it's been my passion. There's something truly special about capturing the raw emotions, intimate moments, and unscripted joy of a wedding day. My goal is to tell your story with a unique perspective, turning fleeting moments into timeless memories.

We do what we do best because we believe in the power of storytelling. Every couple, every wedding, and every love story is one of a kind, and my approach ensures that your photos reflect that.

CapturedbyGaj

We are a dynamic sister duo with a shared passion for capturing intimate moments that matter most. Our approach goes beyond just focusing on the couple; we believe in documenting the heartfelt connections between family and friends who are present to witness and share these incredible milestones. Every emotion, every look, and every gesture deserves to be preserved in a way that tells a story — and that's exactly what we strive to do.

Our journey into the world of wedding content creation began with Gajani's wedding, where we realized the importance of capturing those fleeting moments that can so easily be missed in the whirlwind of the day. It was during this special event that we truly understood how vital it is for couples to relive their most cherished moments right after they happen. The wedding day goes by in a blink, and these memories are too precious to wait for.

With this in mind, we've built our business around the philosophy of delivering content quickly and

efficiently. We take great pride in providing couples with immediate access to the moments they've just experienced, allowing them to relive the magic of the day right away. It's our belief that these raw, candid memories are just as important as the cinematic footage that captures the overall beauty of the event.

As Gajani, a 2024 bride, would advise: "Always hire a content creator. It's important to capture the perspective of the crowd during the beautiful ceremony that you've spent months planning. The raw moments, the laughter, the tears, and the joy — it all tells a different story compared to the cinematic version. It's amazing to have a variety of perspectives that reflect your love story, and that's where we come in to make it happen!"

What sets us apart is our unique offering of drone footage in a reel format. We capture breathtaking Birds Eye views of the event, providing a new perspective of the day that can be delivered to you within 24 hours — giving you the chance to see your celebration from a truly unforgettable angle. At the heart of what we do is a passion for preserving the moments that mean the most and delivering them back to you as quickly as possible, so you can relive your love story in its most authentic form.

We're not just capturing images; we're preserving memories — for you and for everyone who shares in the beauty of your day.

SNAPSOUL

At Snap Soul Media, our mission is simple — to help couples relive the magic of their most important moments through high-quality videography. We understand that a wedding is more than just an event; it's a once-in-a-lifetime experience, and we are dedicated to capturing





every detail with precision and artistry. Using state-of-the-art equipment, we provide content that allows our clients to immerse themselves in their special day, time and time again.

Our services go beyond traditional videography, offering stunning 4K drone content that adds an extra layer of beauty and perspective to every event. With a passion for cinematic styles, we specialize in engagement shoot videography that transforms every couple's love story into a movie. Every couple's journey is unique, and we treat each wedding as a personal film, capturing their emotions, their milestones, and their special moments in a way that feels both intimate and grand.

We believe that every engagement shoot should be as unique as the couple it represents. That's why we create an exclusive experience tailored to their story. From the



very first meeting, we dive deep into understanding how the couple fell in love, their passions, and the essence of their connection. This allows us to craft a narrative that reflects their personalities and the journey they are about to embark on together.

At Snap Soul Media, we don't just film your day; we create a timeless piece of art that captures the essence of your love story — one that you can treasure forever. Every frame, every shot, and every moment is designed to make you feel like the star of your own love story.

DJ LOVEABLE

Deejay Loveable's story is one of passion, family, and resilience. Starting his career under the name DJ Sathiya in 2006, he spent the first several years of his journey honing his craft, learning the intricacies of DJing, and making a name for himself in the industry. During those years, he wasn't just a DJ; he was also a son and apprentice, learning the technical knowledge that would shape his future.

Growing up in a household where music and sound were a way of life, it was inevitable that Deejay Loveable would eventually be drawn to the decks. His father was a well-known sound engineer and a highly respected wedding DJ from the '80s through the mid-2000s. With his father's guidance, Deejay Loveable became his junior, absorbing everything he could about pro audio, mixing equipment, and the technical side of DJing. The love for music was always in the air, but it was the lessons in sound engineering and the understanding of the emotional impact music could have on an audience that would become the foundation of his career.

In the midst of his musical journey, life threw a curveball. His father was diagnosed with cancer, and suddenly, the world of music that had once been his playground became his responsibility. Faced with the pressure of supporting his father's legacy and managing the family business, Deejay Loveable knew it was time to get serious about his passion. It was a pivotal moment. The decision to dive deeper into the art of DJing wasn't just about technical skills anymore; it was about carrying the torch for his family, respecting the legacy his father had built, and learning how to emotionally connect with the crowd in a way that only true passion could inspire.

Taking on more responsibility within the family business, Deejay Loveable eventually rebranded the pro audio division, modernizing it and giving it a fresh direction. It wasn't just about maintaining the business; it was about creating a legacy of his own, one that reflected his vision of providing a loving, heartfelt service to every client. He wasn't just there to play music—he was there to create unforgettable experiences, moments that would last a lifetime.

After taking a personal break from DJing to focus on life, Deejay Loveable returned to the decks in



2021, but this time, it was as a solo DJ. He embraced his identity as Deejay Loveable, a name that reflected his true essence: a DJ who loves what he does and loves bringing joy to others. His return wasn't just a comeback; it was a rebirth—a new chapter in his journey with fresh energy, perspective, and purpose.

With a clear vision in mind, he built a team of talented individuals who shared his passion for music and service. Each member of his team brought their own unique skills to the table, helping to deliver high-quality experiences for every client. Together, they became more than just a DJ service; they became a family, working together to make every event unforgettable.

Though Deejay Loveable has made significant strides in building his brand, he knows there is still much more to accomplish. He is driven by a relentless desire to continue growing, to refine his craft, and to push the boundaries of what's possible in the world of DJing and event entertainment. Every event is a new opportunity to connect with his audience, to create lasting memories, and to live up to the standards of excellence his father set.

As he looks ahead, Deejay Loveable is proud of how far he's come, but he knows the journey is far from over. With love, dedication, and a team that shares his vision, he is ready to accomplish even greater things in the years to come.

The journey of Deejay Loveable is one of passion, family, and the constant pursuit of perfection. He's not just spinning records; he's creating stories, memories, and moments that will last forever. And the best is yet to come.

YNOT

Founded in 2024 by M MOTIONPIC, YNOT STUDIO & EVENTS SPACE is a premier creative hub in Markham, designed to cater to both professional photography and intimate events. With stunning natural light, 20-foot-high ceilings, and expansive windows, our space provides the perfect setting for family portraits, weddings, fashion shoots, and more.

More than just a studio, YNOT STUDIO & EVENTS is a dynamic space available for hourly bookings, ideal for content creators, photographers, and event hosts. Featuring a flexible layout and high-end equipment, it's crafted by photographers who understand the art of capturing the perfect shot.

Conveniently located near the 407 highway, we offer free parking for all our guests. As the creative heart



of Loveable Entertainment, our studio is the go-to destination for advertising, photoshoots, and special occasions—combining functionality with style for any project.

MMOTIONPIC

Founded in 2012, MMOTIONPIC was born out of a deep passion for storytelling through photography and videography. What started as a creative pursuit while studying engineering soon evolved into a lifelong commitment to preserving life's most cherished moments. In 2020, this passion became a full-time journey, dedicated to capturing love stories in their most authentic and beautiful form.

At MMOTIONPIC, we believe that every wedding is a unique masterpiece, filled with emotions, laughter, and unforgettable moments. Our goal is to create cinematic wedding films and stunning photographs that allow couples to relive their special day for generations to come. With a blend of artistry and technical expertise, we craft visuals that tell a story—your story.

Our approach is unobtrusive yet intentional, ensuring that we capture genuine emotions, intimate details, and the magic of every wedding. Whether it's an intimate elopement or a grand celebration, we are passionate about documenting love in its purest form.

As we continue to grow, our vision is to make MMOTIONPIC a globally recognized name in wedding photography and videography, bringing love stories to life with creativity and passion. Every couple's journey is unique, and we are honored to be a part of it—one frame at a time.



Shivon & Andrew



Our Love Story

The Event Maverick Exclusive: Inside Shivon and Andrew's Private Wedding Fête of the Century

Psst...Brides and Grooms, this is your VIP access to a wedding reception that defied all conventions, setting a new standard for iconic event experiences. Have you ever wondered how to plan a wedding that leaves a lasting legacy? Step into the exclusive world of Shivon and Andrew Lalla's private celebration—a wedding that redefined both the art of love and the ultimate party experience, all while embracing the spirit of carpe diem.

1.The Ambiance / All about setting the stage

Picture this: From the moment guests arrived at Queen's manor, they were enveloped in an enchanted forest atmosphere of elegance and romance. Lush green foliage, glowing lights, a saxophonist in the lobby, and an aerial performer who graced the sky-high ceilings, setting a tone of sophistication. The expansive foyer, bathed in natural light and adorned with gleaming white marble, served as the perfect canvas for the evening's unfolding masterpiece. The visionary bride and groom alongside Ricky Verma of Diya Decor transformed the elegant venue into a fairytale experience. This intentional design ensured that attendees were not merely spectators but active participants in a captivating romance journey. No doubt - this design choice set the stage for an evening of cascading energy.



> *The true heart of any wedding happens behind the scenes, before and after your big day.*



2. The Entrances / All about attention and orchestration

As anticipation reached its peak, the atmosphere at Queen's Manor was electric. Guests eagerly awaited the grand entrance, their eyes fixed on the main doors, expecting the newlyweds to appear as the bridal party had before them. In a masterful twist envisioned by Andrew and Shivon, host Donovan Fernandes –Mr. I AM ALL TALK®— dramatically shifted the spotlight. Hidden from the guests, Shivon and Andrew were already poised behind a velvet curtain on stage as the showman himself pumped up the crowd. At the precise moment—53 seconds into Savannah Grass by Kes the Band where he proclaims "Everybody on stage"— the curtain dropped. Sparklers erupted from below and above, showering the couple in a symphony of shimmering lights. The host, alongside Toronto's own DJ DNA Sound Daniel Singh, ensured that each moment was masterfully orchestrated and flawlessly in sync with music and tech. This meticulously timed entrance embodied the essence of carpe diem, seizing the moment with unparalleled flair and a sense of fairytale romance, leaving guests in complete awe.

3. The Crowd / All about immersive experiences for your guests

Shivon and Andrew's wedding exemplifies exceptional guest engagement and meticulous crowd management through innovative logistics. By providing each guest with personalized LED wristbands featuring their custom "AS" wedding logo, they ensured everybody felt like a VIP member and were seamlessly integrated into the celebration. The wristbands synchronized the crowd movements: red indicated the bar was closed, green signaled it was open, and flashing lights meant party mode was activated. The result was crowd synchronization and elevated energy,

> ***Your wedding day is one of many milestones in your lifelong relationship together—curate your own paradise.***

with a crowd that was highly attentive and engaged. By integrating thoughtful logistical considerations and having a professional wedding MC who knows how to conduct energy, couples can create environments where guests feel fully immersed in their collective experience.

4. The Entertainment / All about creating a musical vision of paradise

Shivon and Andrew's wedding epitomized their visionary approach, meticulously crafting an entertainment experience that showcased their deep-rooted ties in the music industry. By leveraging their relationships and networks, they assembled a lineup of world-class artists, leaving guests feeling energized and highly blessed. The celebration unfolded like a Caribbean symphony that echoed the vibes of an SOSfest but felt much more intimate. The evening ignited with the invigorating rhythms of Tassa drums with their pulsating beats, and the stage transformed into the heartbeat of











> ***Set the stage for an evening of cascading energy, where guests become part of a captivating romance journey.***



the party as Ravi B, Rupee, and Motto delivered unforgettable performances, making every guest feel as if they were part of an exclusive, once-in-a-lifetime live concert. Adding to the electrifying atmosphere, DJ ANA performed with Ultra Simmo, causing the entire venue to pulse with high-energy soca beats and vibrant colors.

In a breathtaking moment, Kes serenaded Shivon with "Miracle," his soulful voice delivering the poignant lyrics, "I can't live without you for too long," enveloping the bride and groom in a surreal sense of paradise. This high-energy fête transcended traditional entertainment, completely blurring the lines between performers and guests, and immersing all in a euphoric celebration of Caribbean love, music, and culture.

5. The Show / All about community, culture, and crafting the show

While a dazzling show certainly made Shivon and Andrew's wedding unforgettable, their true genius lay in their ability to craft lasting memories. They understand that a wedding's magic isn't just about one night—it's about community, culture, connections, and the emotions that stay with you long after the party is done. Their strategic approach infused every moment with meaning and intentionality, setting a new standard for experiential weddings.





Let's be real—not everyone has the resources or network to host a grand wedding, and that's perfectly okay. While show elements add energy, they aren't the heart of your celebration. I have personally built and brought thousands of visions to life in the wedding and events industry as a planner, coordinator, disc jockey, host, so when I say, the true heart of any wedding happens behind the scenes before and after your big day, I meant it. The real questions are: How do you want everyone to feel? What experience do you want to create? Yes, also embrace the spirit of carpe diem and seize the moment. Just remember this: your wedding day is one of many milestones in your lifelong relationship together so curate your own sense of paradise, live with purpose, and prioritize creating a relationship that lasts forever.

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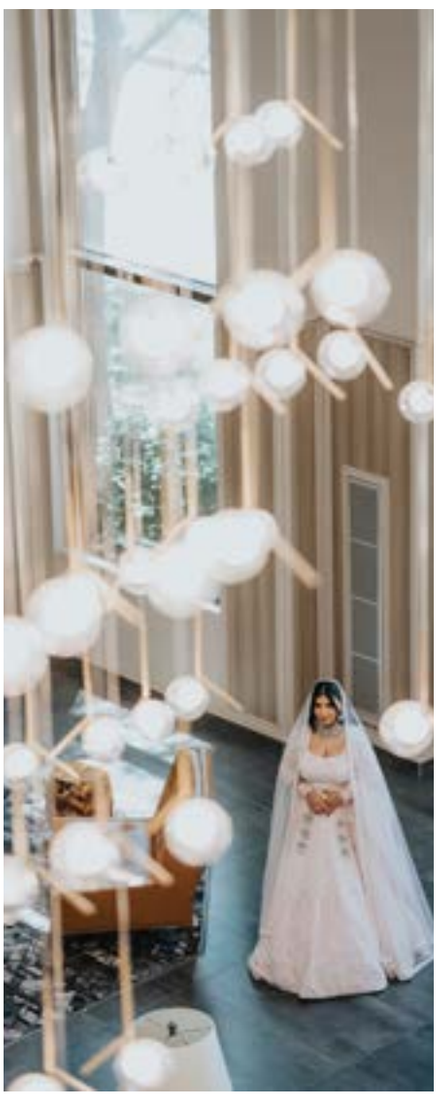



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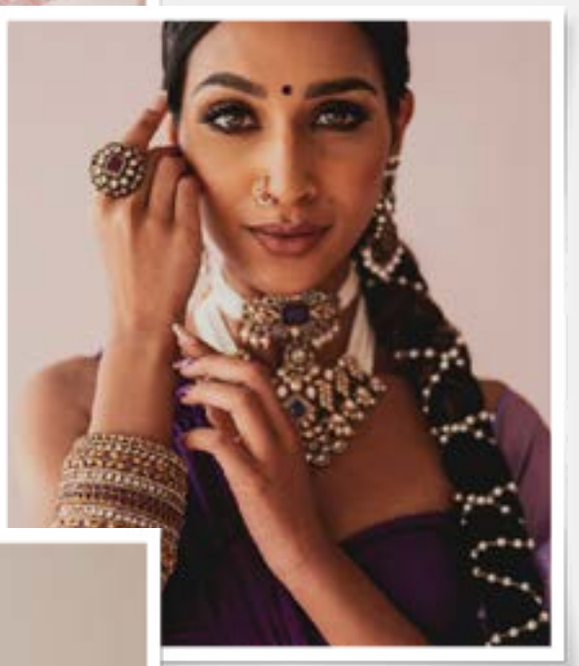





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The Saree Edit

2025's Most Captivating Trends

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The saree, a timeless symbol of elegance, continues to evolve with fresh styles and innovative draping techniques. In 2025, the fusion of contemporary and traditional elements will redefine how sarees are worn, making them more versatile than ever. From structured corset blouses to unique drapes, this year's saree trends celebrate individuality, sophistication, and bold fashion statements.

The Dupatta with Saree Drape – A Regal Touch

Bringing a touch of royalty to saree fashion, the dupatta with saree drape is making waves this year. By incorporating a flowing dupatta into the drape, this trend creates an effortlessly layered look, adding depth and grandeur. This style is perfect for weddings and grand celebrations, where one can experiment with contrasting or matching dupattas to elevate their ensemble. The dupatta adds an ethereal charm to any saree, whether pleated and pinned at the shoulder or left hanging over the arm.





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Mermaid Style Drape – Sculpting Elegance

For those who love a structured yet fluid silhouette, the mermaid-style drape is an absolute must-try in 2025. This technique hugs the hips and flares out at the bottom, accentuating the curves beautifully while allowing ease of movement. Perfect for evening events and receptions, the mermaid drape gives a contemporary and sculpted look, making it a favourite among modern saree enthusiasts. It pairs exceptionally well with lightweight fabrics that allow the drape to hold its shape while maintaining elegance. Additionally, a thin pleated pallu complements the mermaid drape perfectly, further accentuating the body and adding a sleek, polished finish.



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The Corset Blouse – A Modern Twist on Tradition

Bringing vintage glamour into the saree scene, the corset blouse is redefining blouse trends in 2025. Combining structure with sensuality, this blouse enhances the waistline while providing the perfect balance of support and style. It pairs seamlessly with sheer drapes and even metallic fabrics, allowing wearers to experiment with bold fashion choices. The corset blouse offers a mix of Victorian charm and contemporary aesthetics, making it a statement piece for those looking to stand out.

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The Return of the Organza Saree – Sheer Sophistication

Delicate, dreamy, and effortlessly chic—the organza saree is back in the limelight this year. Known for its lightweight texture and translucent appeal, organza sarees exude a romantic and sophisticated aura. Designers are incorporating intricate embroidery, floral motifs, and metallic accents to enhance their ethereal beauty. Whether styled with a structured blouse or a flowy pallu, organza sarees are perfect for both formal and casual occasions, adding a modern yet classic touch to any wardrobe. In conclusion, this year the saree continues to transcend cultural and style boundaries, embracing bold and innovative adaptations. The fusion of different draping styles, structured corsets, and ethereal fabrics reflects a deeper appreciation for both tradition and modernity. Whether you opt for a regal dupatta drape, a figure- hugging mermaid style, a dramatic corset blouse, or a dreamy organza saree, this year's trends promise something for every fashion enthusiast. Embrace these trends with confidence and make the saree your ultimate statement piece in 2025!

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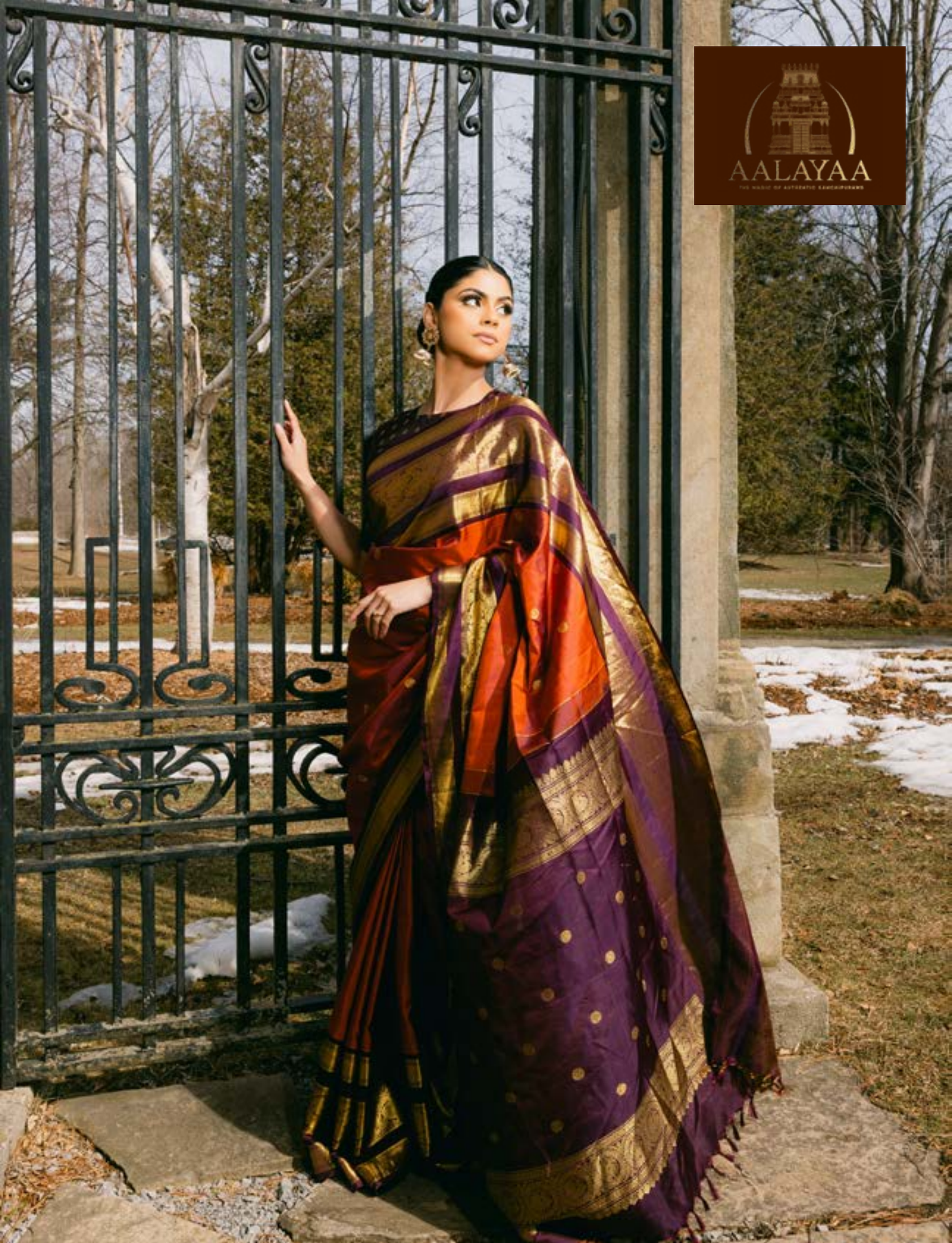
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