

Nathan Gaertner and Sam McClary Wedding

General Information (Entertainment)

Performers

- Michael Sherman - msherman@felixandfingers.com - 5135181471 (Piano + Ceremony Pianist)
- T. Duncan Parker - duncan@felixandfingers.com - 2174945079 (Piano)

IMPORTANT: Food Allergy Information

- T. Duncan Parker has the following food allergies: Seafood, Mushrooms, nuts, apples

Entire Wedding Day Time Frame

08/17/2024 - 05:00 pm - 11:01 pm CST

Locations

Ceremony:

Bridgeport Art Center
Sculpture Garden
1200 W 35th St

Chicago, Illinois
60609-1305

Cocktails:

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Dinner:

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Dancing:

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Parking: There is a large outdoor lot at Bridgeport Art Center that should have plenty of parking.

ceremony outside in covered atrium. 1st floor reception

Load-In

This wedding is entirely indoors.

The ceremony and cocktails are in the SAME area.

Duelers Load-In:

You can start loading in at 03:15 pm.

Contacts

Day-of-Contact

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Wedding Coordinator

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Upgrades

- Mini-shells
- Live Ceremony



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Ceremony Information (Entertainment)

Ceremony Time Frame

05:00 pm - 05:30 pm CST

Ceremony Setup

Setup: outside for ceremony, set up inside for reception

Sound System Needs

The officiant (Rev. Dr. Dan Meyer) will require a handheld microphone with stand. Rev. Dr. Dan Meyer is expected to arrive around 04:30 pm. **Important:** Remember to find out what the officiant's last words will be before the recessional music begins!

No readers will need a microphone.

You will be providing live music so have a keyboard set up.

Ceremony Attendance

Number of people in attendance: 203

Seating Music Begins At: 04:45 pm

Wedding Party Size: 12 (not including Bride and Groom)

Wedding Traditions: Scripture readings (likely by Mother of Bride / Mother of Groom).

Ceremony Music

Live Seating Music: Classical background music (light melodies, no marches)

Live Wedding Party Processional Music: TBD

Grandma, nathan's parents, nathan maybe officiant.

Then officiant announcements, then

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for family and wedding party.

YouTube Link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6jSLH9CDPPQ>

The last person(s) to walk down the aisle before the main entrance will be Flower girl.

Live Ceremony Processional Music: Liz on Top of The World - pride and prejudice. This may need to be looped depending on the length of the processional. A potential jump / Coda could be put in at ~1:02 back to ~0:42 but open to suggestions from the player! Could also just be overall slowed a little. Also would prefer it is played with little to no crescendos (it is performed too dramatically for me for a processional in the linked YouTube but I love the song!).

YouTube Link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=O2vifWdjRWw>

Live Ceremony Recessional Music: This will be - Natalie Cole

Piano only, no vocals.

YouTube Link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AmHHGhXe9a8>

Other Details: We assume that there will only be 1 piano set-up to perform in the ceremony/cocktail hour space, and the other can be set up in the reception space and not need to be moved between cocktail hour & reception. Let us know if that is incorrect!

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Cocktail Information (Entertainment)

Cocktail Time Frame

05:30 pm - 06:30 pm CST

General Cocktail Information

Expected number of guests for cocktails: 203

Location of the Couple at this time: We will be in a private room immediately after the ceremony, but then will rejoin and mingle with guests after ~ 10-15 minutes.

Music (Live) for cocktails: Jazz piano, no vocals, easy listening music (some classic Frank Sinatra, Louis Armstrong, Ella Fitzgerald, etc.)



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Dinner Information (Entertainment)

Dinner Time Frame

06:30 pm - Guests find seats
06:45 pm - Wedding party introductions
06:50 pm - Speech - Stephen McClary (steven)
06:55 pm - Blessing
06:59 pm - Announcements
07:00 pm - Dinner is served
08:00 pm - Speech - Josh Kirby & Lauren Brennan
08:10 pm - First Dance
08:13 pm - Father/Daughter Dance (Stephen McClary (Steven) & Samantha McClary)
08:15 pm - Speech - Nathan Gaertner & Samantha McClary
08:16 pm - Mother/Son Dance (Anne Gaertner (ann) (Gayrtner) & Nathan Gaertner)
08:20 pm - Dueling Piano Show
09:30 pm - Photographer will be leaving
10:20 pm - DJ Show
11:00 pm - Bar closes
Our Seating: vendor table in the back

06:45 pm Wedding Party Intros

Intro Music: You Make my Dreams Come True (Daryl Hall & John Oates) - Recorded

We would like the bridal party entrance to be announced in groups.

Group 1:

Group 2:

1 - Bridesmaid Amy
1 - Bridesmaid Christine
1 - Bridesmaid Courtney
1 - Bridesmaid Emily
1 - Bridesmaid Jill
1 - Bridesmaid Lindsey
1 - Bridesmaid Sanjana (SUN-jun-uh)
1 - Maid of Honor Lauren
2 - Best Man Josh
2 - Groomsmen Kevin
2 - Groomsmen Kyle
2 - Groomsmen William

Introduce the newlyweds as For the first time as husband and wife, Nathan & Samantha

06:50 pm Speech

Stephen McClary (steven) - Bride's Father

06:55 pm Blessing

Who Will Say The Blessing?

Name

Phonetic Spelling

Reverend Doctor Daniel Meyer

06:59 pm Announcements

Clinking: It's Great!

Other Dinner Announcements:

We would like you to announce when the coffee and dessert station opens (~8:45pm) and when the late night snacks arrive (~9:30pm)

07:00 pm Dinner Is Served

Dinner Type: Plated

Please List In Order The Courses That Will Be Served

Course		Notes
Salads	at 7pm	
Entrees	at 7:45pm	
Dessert / Late Night Snacks	Buffet stations, not served while guests are seated	

08:00 pm Speech

Josh Kirby & Lauren Brennan - Best Man & Maid of Honor

08:10 pm First Dance

Dancers: Nathan & Sam

Song: Dancing in the Moonlight by King Harvest(Recorded)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g5JqPxmYhlo>

Special Instructions: We will have a specific end-time closer to the date when we finish our dance choreo!

08:13 pm Father/Daughter Dance

Dancers: Stephen McClary (Steven) & Samantha McClary

Song: Isn't She Lovely by Stevie Wonder(Recorded)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oE56g61mW44>

Special Instructions: Fade out after last chorus ~2:20 minute mark

08:15 pm Speech

Nathan Gaertner & Samantha McClary - Bride & Groom

08:16 pm Mother/Son Dance

Dancers: Anne Gaertner (ann) (Gayrtner) & Nathan Gaertner

Song: What a Wonderful World by Louis Armstrong(Recorded)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rBrd_3VMC3c

Special Instructions: Play the whole song. Less than 2.5 minutes

Other Dinner Information

No Change

Dinner Music: Recorded Recorded easy background music - we can provide a playlist with some ideas!

Meet And Greet After Dinner: No

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Reception Information (Entertainment)

08:20 pm Dueling Piano Show

10:20 pm DJ Show

Must Play Songs:

Piano Man - by Billy Joel (Live)

Renaissance (The White Lotus) - Tiesto Remix - by Tiesto, Cristobal Tapia Van Deer (Recorded)

Proud Mary - by Tina Turner (Live)

Gimme Gimme - by Abba (Whichever sounds better!)

I Wanna Dance With Somebody - by Whitney Houston (Whichever sounds better!)

Think About Things - by Daoi Freyr (Recorded)

Songs To Avoid:

Respect (Aretha Franklin)

We Are Family (Sister Sledge)

YMCA

Cha cha slide

WAP

Chicken dance

Crazy frog

Hamster dance

Kung fu fighting

Brass Monkey

Let's Get it On (Marvin Gaye)

all the small things (2nd to last song of the night)

Explicit Lyrics: Defer to clean versions when easy / possible (and the clean version generally makes sense)

Fine to use some explicit lyrics just not repeated / super prominent

Don't play anything as explicit as WAP

dj set a ok.

Other Details

Bouquet Toss: None

Garter Toss: None

Last Song Of Night: We would like 2 songs to end the night. The second to last song should be "All the Small Things" (Blink-182). The last song should be "Light My Love" (Greta Van Fleet)

Tipping: No

Alcohol/Bar

Bar In Same Room As Dance Area: Yes

Type: Open

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Miscellaneous Information (Entertainment)

No Of Guests: No Change

Children

Approximate Number Of Children: ~5

General Age Range: 1, 3, 13, 16 (the 1 and 3 year old will likely be gone by the time dancing starts!)

Wireless

Details:

Please Provide The Name Of The Connection And Password

Wireless Name

Password

check day of

check day of

Other

Honeymoon - Oaxaca, Mexico!

Wedding Colors - Florals, mostly blues and greens but really all the colors!

Performer's Attire - Cocktail (Women: an above-the-knee hem is appropriate, or an evening pantsuit. Men: suit, tie optional.)

Performance Expectations - 4

This number represents a sliding scale between 0 and 5. 0 leans towards traditional bar show with lots of dueling piano banter and comedy. 5 represents a wedding show with little talking and non-stop dancing.

Departure And Load-Out

Shuttle Details - Shuttles will start leaving at 9pm. All shuttles will be going to the hotels in the room block. The last shuttle of the night will be at 11pm and will stop at the hotels and at Oz Park in Lincoln Park.

We must be packed up and out of the venue by 01:00 am

Additional Information: Sound guidance in venue contract: "Any amplified music or other sound system shall be maintained at a level which does not create a disturbance or nuisance to others, and in no event shall the sound be heard outside of the Premises."

Nathan Gaertner and Sam McClary Timeline (Entertainment)

Full Timeline

- 03:15 pm** - Arrival Time (musicians)
- 04:45 pm** - Guests Arrive For Ceremony
- 05:00 pm** - Ceremony Begins
- 05:30 pm** - Cocktails Begin
- 06:30 pm** - Guests find seats
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- 11:01 pm** - Reception Ends

Reminders:

- Turn down the lights in the room (especially before first dances)
- Make sure the couple and their parents are present
- Communicate with vendors (like Photographer and Videographer), make sure they're ready
- Double check your sound board settings, speaker settings, lights, mics on, etc.

Emergency Contacts

Below is the order of contact to follow:

1. National Entertainment Director

Shawn Grindle - (412) 860-0544

2. Logistics Manager

Tina Naponelli - (815) 382-4341

If they are unavailable:

3. COO

Bre Podgorski - (818) 823-5799 (text only)

4. CEO

Mike Potts - (815) 245-3623 (text only)

The "No" List

- No cake cutting
- No WedPics
- No meet and greet
- No bouquet toss
- No garter toss
- No special songs per heritage
- No expected fight songs
- No tipping
- No send off
- No after party

Gear Check List:

- Keyboard (with power cable and sustain pedal)
- Microphone
- Stands (Keyboard Stand, Music Stand, Mic Stand, Light Stands, Speaker Stands)
- Speakers (with power cables)
- Monitors (Players may bring their own. All monitors must use the Main Send, no independent mixes)
- Lights (With power cables and pedals)
- iPad (charged, or with charger)
- Mixing Board
- EIF/Questionnaire
- Pencils/Forms/Tip Jar/Gaff Tape
- Freddy
- Stool
- Cables (Power/Patch/XLR/DJ Cable)
- DJ Headphones
- Mini Shells
- Rockin Roller
- Extra Mic
- Clothing: Shirt/Pants/Socks/Shoes/Belt/Tie/Undershirt
- Business Cards

Rig Setup/Operation Scribd

[Click here](#) or scan the QR code.



Scribd is a great resource for locating sheet music (ie. First dances, ceremony music, special requests). Please feel free to use our account.

Username:info@felixandfingers.com

Password:FFPlayer88

Player FAQ

Have other questions? Chat with our [AI Support](#)

