

Heather Preston and Rich Batka Wedding

General Information (Entertainment)

Performers

- Michael Sherman - msherman@felixandfingers.com - 5135181471 (Piano)
- Robert Deason - RobertDeason03@gmail.com - 18472040912 (Piano)
- Joey Zymonas - joey.zymonas@gmail.com - 8154744940 (Drummer)

Entire Wedding Day Time Frame

12/06/2024 - 04:00 pm - 11:00 pm CST

Locations

Ceremony:

The Venue CU
51 E Main St

Champaign, Illinois
61820-3602

Cocktails:

The Venue CU
51 E Main St

Champaign, Illinois
61820-3602

Dinner:

The Venue CU
51 E Main St

Champaign, Illinois
61820-3602

Dancing:

The Venue CU
51 E Main St

Champaign, Illinois
61820-3602

Parking: parking lot in back of the building

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 10:00 am.

Additional Musicians Load-In:

5pm

Contacts

Day-of-Contact

Rich Batka
groom
630-730-2064

Photographer:

Emily Mager
Mager Image
(815) 830-2835
magerimage@gmail.com
<http://www.magerimage.com>

Venue Manager:

Miranda Church
The Venue CU
(217) 419-7936
events@thevenuecu.com
<http://www.thevenuecu.com>

Upgrades

- Mini-shells
- Additional Musicians



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Ceremony Information (Entertainment)

Ceremony Time Frame

04:31 pm - 05:00 pm CST

Ceremony Setup

Setup: inside ceremony/reception space. cocktails are in the bar area while we flip.

Sound System Needs

The officiant (Matt King (first timer)) will require a handheld microphone with stand. Matt King (first timer) is expected to arrive around 08:00 am. **Important:** Remember to find out what the officiant's last words will be before the recessional music begins!

Other readers will need a microphone with stand.

You will NOT be providing live music and do NOT need your keyboard.

Ceremony Attendance

Number of people in attendance: 200

Seating Music Begins At: 04:30 pm

Wedding Party Size: 11 including bride and groom and officiant

Ceremony Music

Recorded Seating Music: Sam Cooke "What a Wonderful World"

Elvis Presley "Can't Help Falling In Love With"

Shania Twain "You're Still the One"

Michael Bolton "When a Man Loves a Woman"

Bryan Adams "Everything I Do"

Dierks Bentley "Come a Little Closer"

Etta James "At Last"

Bruno Mars "Marry You"

Recorded Wedding Party Processional Music: Ben E. King "Stand By Me"

YouTube Link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hwZNL7QVjjE>

The last person(s) to walk down the aisle before the main entrance will be Toni Young (Maid of Honor).

Recorded Ceremony Processional Music: Mark Wills "I Do (Cherish You)"

YouTube Link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gBtgcU9DL24>

Recorded Ceremony Recessional Music: Heavy D & the Boyz "Now That We Found Love"

YouTube Link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NNEgUPKxk7A>

Other Details: Song played during "unity ceremony"

2 Cellos Perfect - Ed Sheeran

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TXHB9wL4WFg>

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Cocktail Information (Entertainment)

Cocktail Time Frame

05:00 pm - 06:10 pm CST

Load-In

You must load in equipment at 02:00 pm

General Cocktail Information

Expected number of guests for cocktails: 185

Location of the Couple at this time: family photos and then cocktail hour

Music (Recorded) for cocktails: oldies

Other Details: the cocktail hour is located in the bar area which is not the same as the ceremony/reception area but in the same building. The location for the stage will be in the ceremony/reception location.

A large, faint watermark logo for 'Felix and Fingers Dueling Pianos' is centered on the page. The logo features two stylized pianos facing each other, with the text 'FELIX AND FINGERS' in a large, bold, sans-serif font above 'DUELING PIANOS' in a smaller, similar font. The entire logo is enclosed in a decorative, rounded rectangular border.

FELIX AND FINGERS
DUELING PIANOS

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Dinner Information (Entertainment)

Dinner Time Frame

06:10 pm - Guests find seats
06:20 pm - Wedding party introductions
06:30 pm - Cake cutting
06:40 pm - Blessing
06:50 pm - Announcements
06:55 pm - Speech - Dave Preston
07:00 pm - Speech - Toni Young
07:05 pm - Speech - Mike Novak
07:10 pm - Dinner is served
07:50 pm - First Dance
07:55 pm - Father/Daughter Dance (Dave Preston & Heather)
08:00 pm - Mother/Son Dance (Rhea Brodhead & Rich)
08:05 pm - Other Special Dance
08:11 pm - Dueling Piano Show
08:30 pm - Photographer will be leaving
10:15 pm - DJ Show
10:59 pm - Bar closes

Social: Photo Sharing App is through Live share now. QR Code on tables.

Dessert will be served at the table at the north wall. (Table 21) (where we will sit)

Our Seating: per the venue coordinator there will be a separate table for musicians and photographer at Table 21. Afterwards, the table will be cleared for dessert and late-night snack.

06:20 pm Wedding Party Intros

Intro Music: Bridesmaids/Bridesman introduced with "Let's Get It Started" by Black Eyed Peas

Groomsmen introduced with "Humpty Dance" by Digital Underground

Bride and Groom DJ Khalad "All I Do is Win"

1 - Bridesmaid Anna Schlieper
1 - Bridesmaid Jacqui Zdanavicius
1 - Bridesman Jason Grills
1 - Maid of Honor Toni Young
2 - Best Man Mike Novak
2 - Groomsman Carlos Aguilar
2 - Groomsman Jon Shuey
2 - Groomsman Patrick Dubs
2 - Officiant/Groomsman Matt King

Introduce the newlyweds as Mr. & Mrs. Batka (bat like baseball bat)

06:30 pm Cake Cutting

Announce Cake Cutting: Yes

Song: [Pour Some Sugar on Me](#) by Def Leppard

06:40 pm Blessing

Who Will Say The Blessing?

Name

Aunt Riri (Heather's Aunt) & Uncle Russ

Phonetic Spelling

Aunt Ree-gee (inside family joke) like the letter G

06:50 pm Announcements

Clinking: Sing a song with the word 'Love.'

06:55 pm Speech

Dave Preston - Father of the Bride

07:00 pm Speech

Toni Young - Maid of Honor

07:05 pm Speech

Mike Novak - Best Man

07:10 pm Dinner Is Served

Dinner Type: Plated

Please List In Order The Courses That Will Be Served

Course

Notes

salad

at table prior to guests coming into reception hall

entree

dessert

07:50 pm First Dance

Dancers: Heather & Rich

Song: Crazy Love by Michael Buble(Recorded)

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

Special Instructions: Fade out appropriately around 2.5 minutes.

07:55 pm Father/Daughter Dance

Dancers: Dave Preston & Heather

Song: Sweet Child O' Mine by Guns N' Roses(Recorded)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1w7OgIMMRc4>

Special Instructions: Fade out appropriately around 2.5 minutes.

08:00 pm Mother/Son Dance

Dancers: Rhea Brodhead & Rich

Song: Sweetest Devotion by Adele(Recorded)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TyAoW20UKGU&t=164s>

Special Instructions: shorter the better

08:05 pm Other Special Dance

Dancers: Anniversary Dance & n/a

Song: Must Be Doing Something Right by Billy Currington(Recorded)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FbQfE2Oi6Wo>

Special Instructions:

Other Dinner Information

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Dinner Music: Recorded upbeat classic rock/oldies (Cocktail hour as well) Summer Love by Justin Timberlake, U and Dat by E-40, Big Pimpin' by Jay-Z, Got your money by Old Dirty Bastard, Black Widow by Iggy Azalea, Family Affair by Mary J Blige, No Diggity by Blackstreet, Sugar by Maroon 5, Shake Senora by Pitbull, Jumpin' by Pitbull, (during cocktail or dinner)

Meet And Greet After Dinner: No

Social Websites To Share Pictures: Photo Sharing App is through Live share now. QR Code on tables.

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Other Details: order:

intro

cake cutting

blessing

salads will already be dropped

go into speeches

dinner served



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Reception Information (Entertainment)

08:11 pm Dueling Piano Show

10:15 pm DJ Show

Must Play Songs:

You're The One That I Want (brides Favorite) - by Grease (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=itRFjzQICJU>)

Sweet Caroline - by Neil Diamond (Live)

Brown Eyed Girl (her Moms Song Who Passed Away Recently, But Dont Mention It)) - by Van Morrison (Live)

What Was I Thinking (they Requested This At Dueling Piano Bar Once) - by Dierks Bentley (Live)

Look At Me Now/rap God - by Chris Brown (Live)

Love Mashups - by ()

Songs To Avoid:

No play list: Roll out the barrel, Chicken dance, Hokey Pokey, Celebrate, Shout, anything hokey.

Minimal Taylor Swift.

We're looking to keep things upbeat and driving. Keep the party going. Most guest are 30s-, 40s-, and 50s-year-olds. Classic rock/oldies/80s-90s songs mixed with some 2000s pop/rock is more the mood.

Explicit Lyrics: If it's in the song, let it fly. Don't go crazy with explicit words

Other Details

Bouquet Toss: None

Garter Toss: None

Last Song Of Night: Maybe time of my life - but read the room

Tipping: Yes

Tips Go To: 50/50 - honeymoon fund and tips towards performers (only mention the bride and groom)

Tip Jar: Yes

Tip Promotion: Mention it a few times

Alcohol/Bar

Bar In Same Room As Dance Area: No

Type: Open

Additional Information: Private and final dance of the night. Michael Buble "Everything"

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SPUJlbXN0WY>

Pass out forms on tables when we set up and tell people about them during the announcements

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Miscellaneous Information (Entertainment)

No Of Guests: 178

Wireless

Details:

Please Provide The Name Of The Connection And Password

Wireless Name	Password
tbd	tbd

Other

Honeymoon - Christmas in NYC after the wedding for a mini-honeymoon, then a trip down the west coast to visit the MLB ballparks. This is part of our bucket list to see all 30 ballparks together.

Wedding Colors - Navy Blue, White, and Silver

Performer's Attire - Formal (Women: formal gown. Men: suit with a tie.)

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

We must be packed up and out of the venue by 12:00 am

Additional Information: bride will love sparkly shoes etc.



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Heather Preston and Rich Batka Timeline (Entertainment)

Full Timeline

10:00 am - Arrival Time (musicians)
02:00 pm - Load in (ceremony/cocktails)
04:30 pm - Guests Arrive For Ceremony
04:31 pm - Ceremony Begins
05:00 pm - Cocktails Begin
06:10 pm - Guests find seats
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11:00 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)

The "No" List

- No meet and greet
- No bouquet toss
- No garter toss
- No special songs per heritage
- No expected fight songs
- No send off
- No children will be present
- No after party
- No shuttle

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

4. CEO

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

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](#)

