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JORDAN HOPPE & ANTHONY AICHER

September 7, 2019

Ceremony: Saint James Chapel

Reception: The Peninsula Chicago

Photographed by Elizabeth Nord Photography

THE COUPLE Anthony Aicher surprised bride Jordan Hoppe on the Lost Dunes golf course in Michigan, the couple's favorite summer vacation spot. Sweeping Jordan away to play a couple of holes before dark, the groom was met with an unexpected reaction after surprising her on one knee at the 16th hole. "I started screaming before he could even say anything," she laughs. Once Anthony was able to get the words out, the couple celebrated with the bride's family.

THE DETAILS The late summer celebration took place at the romantic Saint James Chapel, a convenient block from the luxury hotel reception. Both the bride and groom had their parents up to the altar for part of the ceremony, a favorite moment for the couple.

THE PARTY The 225 guests moved to The Peninsula Chicago for the party, where a canopy of dripping foliage and crystal chandeliers decorated with hundreds of pink roses met them on the dance floor. During the New York-style reception, guests danced to the Ken Arlen Evolution Orchestra—the

couple's favorite part of the event—in between each course. Attendees indulged in a mini-desserts table and a specialty cocktail bar stocked with the couple's five favorite cocktails.

—Lorna Ramage

From top: The couple looked picture-perfect, with Anthony in a look from The Black Tux and Jordan in a Reem Acra gown from Dimitra's Bridal Couture; centerpieces featured blush and hot pink ranunculus, blush anemones, and a variety of roses and other blooms; Jordan's bridesmaids donned navy gowns of varying styles from Amsale, purchased at Brideside.

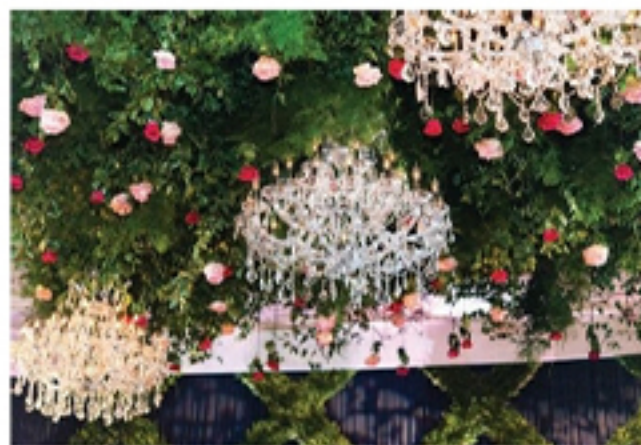


THE LIST

Wedding Planner Mallory Powell, CHI Chic Weddings & Events, chichicweddings.com
Bride's Gown Reem Acra, Dimitra's Bridal Couture, dimitrasbridal.com
Bride's Hair & Makeup Bianca Sansosti Artistry, biancasansosti.com
Groom's & Groomsman's Tuxes The Black Tux,

theblacktux.com
Rings Joel Singer Jewelry, singer-jewelry.com
Bridesmaids' Dresses Amsale, Brideside, brideside.com
Florals & Rentals HMR Designs, hmrdesigns.com
Invitations Greenstar Paperie, greenstarpaperie.com
Linens BBJ Linen, bbjlinen.com
Lighting Frost, frostchicago.com
Entertainment Cocktail

Hour: Orpheus String Trio, MaryMonica
Music & Entertainment, marymonicamusic.com
Reception: Ken Arlen Evolution Orchestra, Arlen Music Productions, arlenmusic.com
Videographer True Shot Studios, trueshotstudios.com
Transportation Chicago Trolley & Double Decker Co., chicagotrolley.com



From top: The couple's rings are from Joel Singer Jewelry; a dreamy canopy hung above the dance floor. "When we first started we didn't have a specific design in mind," Jordan says. "We knew we wanted a lot of color, but HMR Designs and our planner, Mallory Powell, were very helpful in figuring out our style and creating an unbelievable decor design for our reception."