

# Surprise Engagements

The following is to help give ideas and help smooth over the process

## PLANNING THE PROPOSAL

- Consider if you want any family or friends at your proposal or perhaps plan for them to come out as a surprise afterwards or even a party or dinner later. Give them plenty of warning so they can book flights or take time off if necessary. Be sure to tell them not to say a word.
- Picking a location could be meaningful to you both such as a first date or favorite past time or even somewhere you both have always wanted to go. I can list several great places I have been if you need ideas!
- Obtaining permits and permissions for your location is highly recommended. Make sure to do this well in advance as some places book early and some permits take a while to get approved. This is especially important in winter with limited locations. For outdoor locations consider your back up plans in case of bad weather
- Don't forget to get your ring made with enough times for customizations or resizing. Female relatives and friends will usually be more than happy to help you get the right size.
- Booking your photographer and videographer in advance to ensure your date is available (;

## GET HER READY WITHOUT HER KNOWING

- She has likely been looking forward to this and will really appreciate you if you make sure she is dressed up
- Enlist the help of her friends and relatives if you can!
- If she is a person that likes her hair and nails done have her mom or friends take her out to get them done in advance. If you don't have any help you can drop some subtle hints or just schedule her an appointment.
- There are many ways to get her dressed up such as saying you have reservations somewhere nice, you can tell her you have hired a photographer for a small photo shoot, or even bringing her a nice outfit to change into afterwards if you want (don't forget to grab shoes and make up if you do this option)

## GETTING READY

- Do you plan on having flowers, rose petals, balloons, champagne, candles or anything that you need to purchase in advance?
- Scout the location, if you want the photographer and videographer to be

- If you want your audio recorded, we will have to meet in advance to put a lapel mic on you or plan ahead to put a microphone discreetly in the location you are going to end up at.

discreet, they will need to know the path you will be taking exactly.

- Signals that you are about to pop the question are very helpful, some from the past have been taking a selfie or a hug that lets us know to move into position.

## **THE DAY OF**

- Don't stress you have made it this far and you are doing great.
- Follow the plan and in case of a change signal us immediately

- If you have decided to speed up the timeline signal us immediately

## **CONGRATULATION!!!! SHE SAID YES! NOW WHAT?**

- Your photos will be sent via We Transfer
- Pick your pre- agreed upon number for full editing and send us the file numbers as well as what changes you would like made

- Once you have approved everything your Thumb drive or DVD will be mailed to you (inside the IL area, outside of IL will incur an additional fee)

**THANK YOU FOR CHOOSING US AND WE ARE VERY EXCITED FOR THE NEXT STEP IN YOUR RELATIONSHIP!!!!**