

Celebrity wedding planner talks trends

As told to Jeremy Henderson



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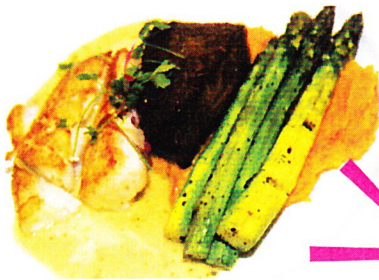
A Lubbock native and star of the Style Network's "Whose Wedding Is It Anyway"



Colors

I would say the colors for this year are orange and green. You're going to see a lot of orange monochromatic weddings. You're seeing a lot of orange and chocolate and green and chocolate. You're also going to see simple designs and geometric shapes.

Weddings are just like everything else in the world. Celebrities drive what's going on. So brides are looking at InStyle Magazine and Martha Stewart Living and the TV shows that show celebrity weddings, and they're trying to emulate them within their budget.



Catering

You'll see more dual entrees than single entrees, meaning rather than an 8-ounce steak or a piece of chicken, you'll see a 4-ounce piece of fish and a 4-ounce piece of beef on one plate. People used to send out invitations saying, "Do you want the beef or fish?" but that's fraught with problems. You'll see more pairings of smaller portions of two different things. That simplifies the process, and generally people like it and makes the plate more interesting.

Decoration

You're going to see a lot of wall scrims and draperies. We'll use draperies to color the walls and then use lighting to create the mood.

Lots of lighting, intelligent lighting — which is an industry term for computerized lighting. We do lots of things with LED lights in the room and then program them to change colors. That's becoming more and more affordable to the average bride.





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