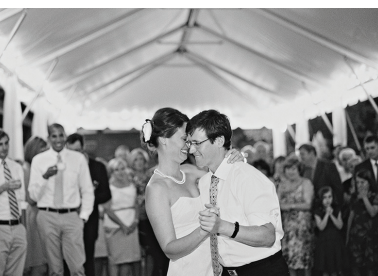




CAROLINE AND RYAN

JUNE 17, 2012



CAROLINE TILLEY AND RYAN ASHER met when they were set up as blind dates to attend a mutual friend's wedding five years ago. The pair hit it off, and decided to accompany one another to two more weddings in the following weeks before officially beginning to date.

After Ryan popped the question, he and Caroline began planning their June 2012 wedding. In beautiful Duke Gardens, the Angle Amphitheater was the choice for their outdoor wedding ceremony and the adjacent Doris Duke Center for a reception that perfectly complimented the couple's summery color pallet of golden yellow, sea foam green and soft peach.

A vintage garden theme began with the idyllic ceremony setting and brightly-colored arrangements by Tre Bella Flowers, and was carried through to the reception décor with antique embroidered white linen table cloths collected by the bride in the months leading up to the big day. Twelve old-fashioned cakes donned crystal and cut-glass cake stands and pleased guests with a variety of flavors and fillings.

Twinkle lights adorned the terrace at the Doris Duke Center and provided the perfect ambiance the couple's romantic first dance under the unseasonably cool June sky. Ryan's favorite band, Driftwood, made the trip down south to Durham from the groom's hometown of Binghamton, NY, for a special addition to the reception entertainment. Caroline added meaningful touches with heirloom jewelry from her mother and grandmother, and she custom designed jewelry for each of her bridesmaids.

Caroline complimented A Swanky Affair's consulting expertise, saying, "Amanda Scott was a pleasure to work with! She seamlessly coordinated the wedding and allowed our families to enjoy a stress-free day." With the couple's confidence in their coordinator and vendors, it came as no surprise that their day was perfectly wonderful!



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BRIDAL LUNCHEON

King's Daughters Inn

CEREMONY

Angle Amphitheater at Duke Gardens

RECEPTION

Doris Duke Center at Duke Gardens

CATERER

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BRIDAL GOWN

Jim Hjelm from Tre Bella Bridal

BRIDESMAIDS' DRESSES

J Crew

MEN'S FORMALWEAR

Jos A Bank

FLORIST

Tre Bella Flowers

CAKES

Yellowbird Bakery

INVITATIONS/CALLIGRAPHY

Truly Noted on Etsy

CEREMONY MUSICIANS

Elegant Ensembles

RECEPTION MUSIC

Driftwood

LINENS

Party Reflections

LIGHTING

American Party Rentals

GUEST ACCOMMODATIONS

Durham Marriott

HAIR & MAKEUP

Posh The Salon

BRIDAL JEWELRY

Mother's pearl necklace, grandmother's diamond bracelet made into clasp

BRIDESMAID JEWELRY

Made by bride with beads from Ornametia