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EDITOR'S NOTE:

HOW TO CHOOSE THE AREA'S BEST WEDDING PROS

By: Anna Coats

Marry Me Tampa Bay Editor-in-Chief

When planning a wedding the most important decisions to make (besides choosing your life partner) are the wedding pros you hire to deliver on your wedding day experience.

Selecting your wedding vendors can be overwhelming because there are so many to choose from. Most couples source personal recommendations, Google searches, social media feedback and national listing sites to begin their search, but the number of suggestions you receive can be mind-boggling.

One of the national wedding vendor listing sites has almost 700 photographers cataloged just for the Tampa Bay area! Even the most dedicated wed-to-be doesn't have time to narrow down all of those profiles, plus I personally wouldn't recommend over 70% of vendors on there (even ones with over 100+ 5-star ratings).

One of the best ways to keep wedding planning manageable is to start with a curated list of wedding pros. This can be from your wedding venue's preferred list, a selected poll from personal recommendations, or our collection of "Who's Who" of Tampa Bay Wedding Pros.

We have purposefully kept our Marry Me Tampa Bay list selective to bring you the area's most reputable and respected wedding professionals.

With our "Who's Who" publication, Marry Me Tampa Bay has done the research for you so that you can focus on narrowing our list even further to choose the right fit for your budget, personality, and style.

Your wedding day is not a day that you can "do over" if something goes wrong, so choosing your wedding pros truly is an investment in creating an unforgettable day.

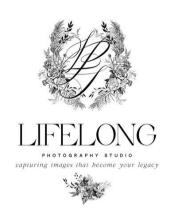
Our focus for selecting our "Who's Who" is intended for couples looking for professionals first and foremost. With experience and talent comes a higher price point, so if you're price shopping, our pros won't be the least expensive, but they will be the most qualified.

You want to hire professionals not only for their knowledge but also to plan for mishaps (because they will happen) and to fix them without taking away from your experience on the day of.

With this 2024 publication also comes complementary insight from the *Marry Me Tampa Bay* editorial team.

Email <u>social@marrymetampabay.com</u> or DM <u>@marrymetampabay</u> with the wedding vendors that you're considering, and we'll let you know if they are reputable and share any weddings we've featured from them.

Cheers, Anna Coats



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Learn More about Lifelong Photography Studio

Lifelong Photography Studio

We specialize in luxury weddings infused with personal details and have been a leading photography company in Florida for over 10 years.

At Lifelong Photography Studio, we are more than just a single person. We are a team of professionals with a style that is whimsical, bright, romantic, airy, and filled with genuine love.

Wedding collections begin at \$3,200, with the average couple spending \$3,600-\$7,100 for complete coverage.

Dewitt for Love Photography

We are Shannon and Brandon, a husband and wife team with a focus on luxury weddings, engagement sessions, and welcome parties/rehearsal dinners, to capture the full wedding weekend! Our shooting style is a mix of candid snaps, romantic moments, and capturing every beautiful detail...all shot with an editorial eye.

We love to make your wedding day look like it's out of a magazine, but we also never ignore a blooper moment or wild dance floor shot!

Couples who book with DeWitt for Love spend an average of \$7k for full-day coverage up to 10 hours.



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Learn More about Carrie Wildes Photography

Carrie Wildes Photography

We are passionate about capturing the essence of individuals, their interactions, and the love they share.

Our photography style is a blend of timeless and modern, combining elements of photojournalism, and artistry to authentically capture your story.

We love weddings of all styles and sizes. Our full wedding collections with two photographers begin at \$3,990, while our intimate wedding collections range from \$600 to \$2490. What sets Carrie Wildes Photography apart is that the entire amount you invest in your photography goes towards creating your custom designed album or stunning wall art. We believe in preserving your cherished memories and guiding you every step of the way.

Limelight Photography

Limelight photography specializes in timeless, vibrant, sophisticated, romantic, clean, and classic luxury wedding photography with extreme attention to detail. Our storytelling approach includes candid/photojournalistic images and striking bride and groom portraits.

We only photograph weddings and are the most experienced wedding photographers on the West Coast of Florida. You will find that our photography is unmatched for its style, sophistication, and five-star customer experience.

Complete wedding collections with two photographers start at \$2,500



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Learn More about Amber Yonker Photography

Amber Yonker Photography

Amber Yonker Photography offers a variety of packages that can be customized to suit your specific needs and budget, including pre-wedding consultations, engagement sessions, and full-day coverage. We use high-end equipment and the latest techniques to ensure that your photographs are of the highest quality, and we work closely with you to create a vision that reflects your unique style and personality. Our goal is to provide you with a seamless and enjoyable photography experience that will leave you with beautiful, timeless images.

Wedding Packages are customized based on clients' needs.

Eddy Almaguer Photography

Eddy Almaguer Photography is where modern, intentional photography meets a high-end client experience. From our very first interaction, it's all about understanding what you value the most — your style, your vibe, and your most anticipated moments.

I've been perfecting my experience for years, and I make it my goal for every client to feel well taken care of on their big day. This is a milestone moment in your relationship and it should be spent having fun and making memories with your loved ones, not stressing the small stuff. With me, I can guarantee that your day will be stress-free and full of genuine smiles.



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Wedding collections start at \$3,500



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McNeile Photography

If you're searching for an award-winning professional elopement or wedding photographer who appreciates natural light and creating authentic moments rather than awkward poses, I'm your guy. I love telling real stories through my work, all the fuzzy feels, laughter, tears, and wild adventures...it's what sets my soul on fire! If that resonates with you, let's create magic.

I'm not afraid of the wild, adventurous, quirky or weird, the hard-to-reach, or the seemingly impossible, I'm there, camera in hand and ready to document it all.

Our wedding film + photo collections start at \$6,500

Our wedding film collections start at \$3,500

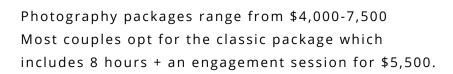
Our wedding photo collections start at \$4,000

Arianna J Photography

I am a believer in capturing images that are emotive and thought-provoking. Our style is a combination of candid, documentary style and editorial.

There are so many different moments on a wedding day, and as such, there are so many different ways to capture these moments. My goal as your wedding photographer is never to put trends over connection and to capture images that feel true.

I want you to look back on your wedding photos in the years to come and feel the way you felt when you were there.





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Learn More about Arianna J Photography

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Learn More about Pine & Forge

Pine & Forge is a wedding photography and videography company focused on capturing your love story in a personal, iconic, effortless way. Our wedding style is a refreshing mix of playfulness and photojournalism.

We are vibe-matchers and cheerleaders. We focus on helping couples feel comfortable in front of the camera and use our extensive knowledge to help guide them through the planning process to make it an exceptional experience.

Most couples spend between \$4,000-\$12,000 on their photo and/or video packages

Sabrina Autumn Photography

Together with my fiancé Ryan, we are a professional photography and videography duo. Our packages include a complimentary engagement session, a print release, over 1000+ edited photographs, and all-day coverage.

Our photography is true to life but bold and dramatic. Our favorite moments are the in-betweens. The times when we can act as a fly on the wall and witness the true emotion and fun that is wedding days.

You always get both of us every time! Every photo in every gallery was taken by us. We only do a certain number of weddings each year to ensure your wedding day is our top priority.

Our photography packages start at \$4,000. Photo and video are competitively priced for all budgets, starting at \$5,000.

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Learn More about J&S Media

J&S Media Films & Photo

J&S Media Wedding Films & Photo specializes in both cinematic wedding films and wedding photography. We've spent years perfecting the client experience, how we work together as a team, training trusted team members, and telling stories through both photo and video.

Our style is versatile and tailored to each of our couples while still maintaining our own J&S Media style as artists. In specializing in both photo and video, we're able to navigate a wedding day doing what's best for both mediums of documentation which we believe is one of the traits that separate us from others!

Wedding collections begin at \$4,400 per service with the average couple spending \$8,000-\$8,800 for wedding film and photo collections.

Iyrus Weddings Photo & Video

lyrus Weddings captures all the unique and special details that you have meticulously planned from the intimate pre-wedding preparations to the final send-off through high-end photography and cinematic video. Our professional photography and videography team reflects the emotions of your day to help you remember every moment.

We hear time and again that our couples love our communication, fun style, and overall positive attitude. We love what we do, and you can see it when we are shooting!

Photography packages range from \$2,400-\$4,400 Videography packages range from \$2,500-\$4,800 Photo/Video packages range from \$4,700-\$6,600



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Amber McWhorter Photography

Amber McWhorter Photography is represented through a photojournalistic style capturing raw emotions and candid moments.

I am there to tell the story of my couples and to document their love. My photography is accentuated by natural light and surrounding areas to creatively use them to enhance the photos.

Pricing varies depending on each unique wedding. Smaller wedding collections begin at \$2,000 with the average couple spending \$3,800-\$4,200.

Learn More about Amber McWhorter Photography

Mary Anna Photography

Mary Anna Photography is a husband and wife wedding photography team whose light-kissed, true-to-life images capture connection and elegance.

We capture emotion-filled, expertly posed images. We teach clients how to pose for their body type and create special moments that look beautiful, easy, and natural in front of the camera.

Our editing style is bright and true to life. Our specialty is capturing simple beauty and real moments so that you can remember them for generations to come.

Our complete wedding day experience with full-day coverage starts at \$3,200. Many couples select a deluxe package for a total investment of \$4,500.



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> <u>Learn More about</u> <u>Rachelle Elle Photography</u>

Rachel Elle Photography

Rachel Elle Photography specializes in weddings, engagements, and boudoir. My work is a blend of documentary and editorial. I lean into soft colors and enjoy playing with natural light, and I capture it all using both film and digital mediums. The result is a blend of intentional and timeless details and joyful, blink-of-an-eye moments —that elicit genuine and lifelong memories.

Our favorite moments are watching you marry the love of your life, capturing those big laughs and quiet, happy tears, and playing a role in the day that kicks off the rest of your life together! The joy and enthusiasm are infectious on a wedding day, and it's a privilege to play a role in your story.

Evoke Photo and Film

(Formerly Garry and Stacy Photography Co)

We bring a heartfelt approach to curating the most meaningful moments of your day, authentically capturing the unfolding story of your union. Our aim is to evoke emotions, capturing the essence of your hearts, uniting and delivering a genuine narrative that resonates with authenticity.

In an industry often characterized by a repetitive formula, we stand out by embracing a personalized approach to each wedding, ensuring we encapsulate the distinctive moments that unfold on your special day.

As a husband and wife-led team, we go into every wedding with the utmost confidence in one another and our preparations.

We don't want to miss a moment, so we always include a second shooter, and we offer videography, digital and film photography and drone aerial footage.

Our customized collections begin at \$3,900 for photography or \$6,500 for both photo and video, with most couples investing \$4,900 for photography or \$7,900 for photo and video.



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Learn More about K&K Photography

K&K Photography

For over 15 years, we've been capturing the magic of weddings, gracing the most enchanting and exclusive venues imaginable.

With the trust of one thousand couples (yes, literally!), we've loved capturing their important moments, from engagement to their wedding and family photos.

In crafting our images, we're passionate about natural light. Our meticulous process involves capturing and editing bright, airy, and timeless photographs. As the day transitions into evening, we skillfully employ off-camera lighting, ensuring that every corner of a reception room sparkles with the perfect glow, regardless of where you stand.

Our two-photographer, 8-hour packages start at \$3,900. For elopements and shorter celebrations, custom pricing ranges from \$600 to \$2,500.

Valentina Rose Photography, LLC

Photography is not just about capturing moments but also about documenting who we are and our connections with others. I aspire for any couple who gets in front of my lens to experience a sense of confidence and empowerment, enabling them to perceive themselves in a positive and affirming manner.

I'm very go-with-the-flow and laid back. I'm the kind of photographer who's doing a little dance when I'm behind the camera. I like for you to forget that I'm there; that's how I take the most organic, candid, as-you-are images filled with natural light. Other times, I intervene and help you pose to create the most magazine-worthy editorial photos. Having both brings an important balance to your final gallery.



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Weddings start at \$3,000 | Elopements start at \$2,000

WHO'S WHO:

WEDDING PHOTOGRAPHERS



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<u>Photography</u>

Joyelan Photography

Joyelan Photography specializes in weddings and elopements in a way that is down-to-earth yet classic. My goal is to get to know each couple and document their day in a way that best represents the love between them and the journey that brought them together.

With a decade of experience, including a photojournalistic background, I am drawn to real-life candid moments and have developed an instinct for capturing true raw emotion.

It's important for me to understand my couples' vision and help guide them when needed to provide the best experience.

I am here to help from the first inquiry to coaching them in front of the camera to the final delivery.

To accommodate the uniqueness of weddings, my packages range from intimate weddings starting at \$1,500 with full weddings ranging from \$2,100-\$3,500. Elopement coverage is also available.





<u>Learn More about</u> <u>Lifelong Photography Stu</u>dio

Specializing in luxury weddings infused with personal details,

we have been a leading photography company for over a decade.

At Lifelong Photography Studio, we are more than just a single person. We are a team of professionals with over a decade of experience in business in the wedding industry.

Our wedding photography style is whimsical, bright, romantic, airy, and filled with genuine love!

Our passion for art and service is the reason why so many couples choose us to be there with them on one of the most important days of their lives.

We value relationships with our clients so much that we offer engagement sessions with every collection.

At Lifelong, you have an entire team of people making sure that you have award-winning images. During a consultation, you meet with your photographer, not a salesperson. Getting to know the story of your journey is the true motivation behind what we do.

We believe that, ultimately, our art is service and serving others excites the soul. From the initial consultation to the finite wedding details, we commit ourselves entirely to emulating and honoring the love we see in each of our couples.

When you read our reviews, you can see the difference that having a team of people makes. We value personal relationships, true beauty, and love to laugh! We are unashamed hopeless romantics with a never-ending drive to create and do the very best!



What Inspired You to Start Your Business?

As artists, photography is a creative outlet, but it's also so important as a person to make a positive impact on the world! Weddings are such a meaningful and happy time in the lives of others, and we are drawn to love and the opportunity to create beauty for people that impacts them and blesses them for the rest of their lives.

What is one of your passions, non-wedding related?

Personal growth and learning, and sharing knowledge. I love researching new information that is helpful for daily life and love sharing helpful knowledge to those around me.



BUFFY FELDMAN







What would couples be surprised to learn about you?

I have an obsession with Airstream campers and will stop by the dealership anytime I am in the area for a photoshoot to tour the latest models.

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PHOTOGRAPHY



SHANNON & BRANDON

"We are Shannon and Brandon Dewitt, a married photo duo with dedicated 7+ years capturing the heart and soul of intentional weddings and electric couples. As a tight-knit team, weddings are our sweet spot, and freezing those magical moments in time is what we do best. And while images are important, we feel our personalities and the love and care we have for you and your loved ones is what truly shines during such an important day.

Meet Shannon, our creative force. She has a love for fashion, set design, and funky studio work and loves to dream up the coolest ways to showcase you on your best day. Brandon, the laid-back sports enthusiast, puts everyone he ever meets at ease and has that Golden Retriever energy that makes him an incredible asset during the stress of a wedding day. Together, we bring a blend of sophistication and approachability to our work.

Our Wedding Photography

STYLE:

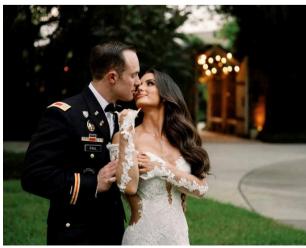
Our photography style? Picture a well-rounded approach with a touch of editorial flair—we love creating images that feel at home in a magazine. Think Vogue meets NYLON. That's the energy we love most!

We've recently added a touch of nostalgia to our craft, transitioning to shooting on 35mm film for that timeless quality on a wedding day. It's our way of infusing a bit of old-school magic into the contemporary









Where Do you Draw Your

INSPIRATION?

We love working with couples who have an amazing bond and comfort with each other. They are truly best friends and teammates-ready to celebrate each other any chance they get. Their natural chemistry, fashion choices, and the vibe of the day fuel our creative spirit. We love getting into the details, turning each moment into a work of art.





"On wedding days, we crave a mix of timeless images and funky party shots with some edge—and we deliver both so that you can make mom happy AND feel like celebrities as you party the night away."

-Shannon and Brandon

What Would Couples Be Surprised to Learn about You?

Beyond the lens, we're just a couple of fun-loving folks.

We love traveling and going to festivals and concerts,
freestyling songs about our cat, dancing in the kitchen, and
scheming for the day that we can pull off a flash mob on
each other—yes, that's us.

Fun Fact: We're the couple that always sits on the same side of the booth; it's just our thing.

More than colleagues, we're best friends who have a passion for people and celebrating love week after week.

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YOUR STORY DESERVES TO BE REMEMBERED



Carrie Wildes Photography is one of the most experienced wedding photographers in Tampa Bay with over 15 years in business, 600 weddings photographed, 2 million pictures taken, and nearly 65,000 pieces of cake eaten!

The photography team describes their style as timeless and candid, and they are experts in all types of light sources, including natural light, off-camera flash, and static light.

When you book Carrie Wildes Photography, the amount you spend will be matched towards an album credit and "Guided Artwork Experience."

About 4-6 weeks after your wedding date, Carrie will help guide you in choosing what images best tell the story of your wedding day for your album and wall prints. This is when you will get to spend the artwork credit you have, which is the full amount you spend on your collection.

Carrie's collections also include a complimentary engagement session.

Learn More about Carrie Wildes Photography



OUR WEDDING PHOTOGRAPHY STYLE:

Our style is timeless yet modern, photojournalistic, artful, compelling, and full of life. We are obsessed with providing exquisitely beautiful albums and print products that uniquely tell your story for generations to come. We believe that personalized service and amazing images are equally a part of the photography experience our team provides.

WHERE DO YOU DRAW YOUR INSPIRATION?

Travel and capturing the essence of people in places that few choose to go. The Island of Mindanao, Cuba, Haiti, South Africa, Brazil, and Australia are just some of the places I've been. I absolutely love seeing and photographing people in their everyday lives because that's the most authentic of who they are and the story behind them.

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Learn More about Carrie Wildes Photography





CARRIE WILDES

WHAT IS ONE OF YOUR PASSIONS, NON-WEDDING RELATED?

My biggest passion in life is helping families overcome the obstacles to become foster and adoptive parents. I am a foster and adoptive parent and cofounded the Promise Love Foundation where we help families raise money for their adoptions as well as get them started on their journey.

Carrie has her Bachelor of Science in Industrial Engineering from Purdue.

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Photography. Timeless,
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romantic, clean, and
classic with extreme
attention to detail.

We Love Photographing Weddings Because:

We truly love the art of photography and the privilege of being let into your heart and soul. It is our mission to capture love around the globe through the lens of our cameras.

Our passion for photographing weddings comes from the deep respect that marriage is a sacred covenant as ordained by God. We feel blessed to not only share in the special moment when a couple enters into this covenant but also to share our God-given talent of photography.

As a husband and wife team, we have discovered that capturing the love shared by others further influences our own love affair.







Learn More about Limelight Photography



REBECCA ZOUMBEROS

"You will be presented with a first-class experience the moment you STEP INTO THE LIMELIGHT"

What Makes Your Business Stand Out?

We work hard to personally get to know you and build a rapport prior to your wedding day so that you feel completely relaxed and have an overall amazing wedding day and experience!

We are best known for our capability to consistently create perfect pictures in ANY lighting situation, especially at sunset and nighttime.

We have successfully photographed over 1,500 weddings and are the most experienced wedding photographers on the West Coast of Florida!

Our Personality Is:

Each artist at Limelight Photography has a passion for their art and contributes their own unique edge and flair. Each photographer's work has its own character, yet maintains the consistent, high standards of the Limelight brand.

What Are Some of Your Passions, Non-Wedding Related?

Mission work in Haiti, Boating, our French bulldog "Bimini", reading

Where Do You Draw Your Inspiration?

I am inspired by disciplined, creative people who persevere and push themselves past known limits; people who battle their way through major challenges and overcome obstacles to achieve greatness.

Some of my favorite stories of survival, resilience, and redemption include Vogue editor Anna Wintour, fashion designers Coco Chanel and Valentino, long-distance runner Steve Prefontaine, the 1988 Jamaican Olympic bobsled team, boxer James Braddock and World War II hero Louis Zamperini.

What is One Thing Couples Would Be Surprised to Know About You?

I was a competitive gymnast and the State of Florida Balance Beam champion!

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ADVENTUROUS & AUTHENTIC

ORGANIC AND BEAUTIFUL WITH A CANDID, LAID-BACK APPROACH

WHAT INSPIRED YOU TO START YOUR BUSINESS?

I was inspired to start this business when one of my friends asked me to photograph their own wedding. That is what lit a flame in me to start a journey of capturing honest, true love stories. From that day forward, I have felt honored each and every time someone asks me to photograph their memories forever in pictures.

OUR WEDDING STYLE IS:

Timeless with a touch of editorial flair. Our goal is to create stunning images that look like they belong in a magazine. But don't worry, we also make sure to capture all the fun dance shots, silly bloopers, and heartfelt candid moments.

Our editing style is true-to-life, and we like to keep things classic but still interesting. Our couples always say that we make them laugh and feel comfortable in front of the camera, and you don't need to be a model for us to capture amazing shots. We love to pose and direct our clients to create perfectly wonderful moments that just magically happen.





ARRON MCNEILE

OUR PERSONALITY IS:

You can find me at a local coffee shop before a wedding and hyping your wedding guests up on the dance floor at the end of the night! Then back at the coffee shop editing some sneak peeks to surprise you with the next day.

A camera by my side at all times, of course. I am my best when I am working and thrive on capturing candid moments.

WHERE DO YOU DRAW YOUR INSPRATION?

Light - Emotion - Connection - Movement -Simplicity... Couples who are madly in love, have a soul connection, want to laugh and have fun together, and get REAL in front of my lens.

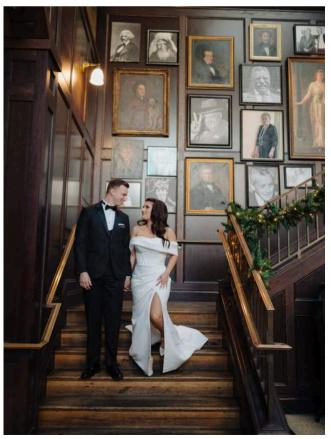
"Telling your wedding story organically is how I work. If you're into authentic, raw, and unedited moments, then we'll be a match for your adventurous photographer."



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OUR WEDDING STYLE IS:

Our style is focused on creating timeless and elegant images that capture the beauty of your special day. I believe that a photograph should be more than just a snapshot in time; it should be a beautiful piece of art that tells a story and evokes emotion. That's why I use a blend of candid and posed shots to create a collection of images that are both authentic and stunning. I also pay close attention to lighting, composition, and other details that will make your photographs stand the test of time. My goal is to create images that you will treasure for a lifetime and that will be passed down for generations to come.



AMBER YONKER

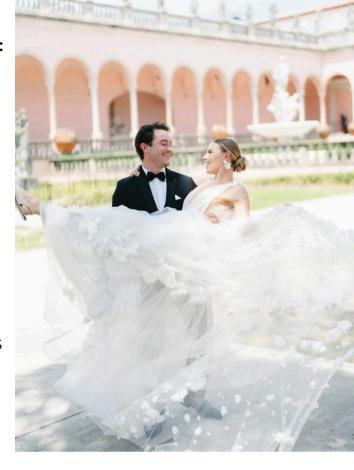
OUR PERSONALITY IS:

I am passionate about my work and dedicated to providing the highest level of service to my clients. I am a patient and compassionate person who understands that weddings can be stressful, and I do everything I can to make the photography process as smooth and enjoyable as possible. I am also a creative and detail-oriented individual who takes pride in capturing the essence of each couple's relationship and personality. I believe that great photography requires not only technical skill but also the ability to connect with people and put them at ease.



WHAT INSPIRED US TO START OUR BUSINESS:

My passion for photography began at a young age, and over time, it grew into a deep love for capturing the beauty and emotions of weddings. I am inspired by the love and joy that radiates from couples on their special day, and I feel privileged to be able to document those precious moments. I started my photography business because I wanted to share my passion with others and help couples preserve their memories in a way that is both beautiful and timeless. It's incredibly rewarding to be able to capture those once-in-a-lifetime moments and create images that will be cherished for generations to come.



Learn More about Amber Yonker Photography



"I strive to capture the joy, beauty, and emotions of your special day. I believe that every wedding is unique, and I take the time to get to know each couple and their vision for their wedding. I use a blend of candid and posed shots to create a timeless collection of images that will tell the story of your wedding day for years to come. With a keen eye for detail and a passion for capturing the perfect shot, I work tirelessly to ensure that you are left with stunning photographs that you will treasure for a lifetime."

- Amber Yonker

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Our Wedding Style Is:

My work represents a soft, elegant, and timeless aesthetic that perfectly encapsulates who my clients are as a couple, showcasing the best of their day, the passion between them, and the joy shared by their closest friends and family.

I know when to stand back and capture the unfurling candid moments before me and when to step in and help direct to achieve that soft, romantic vibe.

Our Personality Is:

I am an extrovert whose primary love languages are acts of service and gift-giving. When I show up with a camera in hand, I shake hands and introduce myself to everyone, and I take the time to learn everyone's name so that I can build rapport and ultimately become just another friendly face. I know how to loosen people up in front of the camera with a great combo of humor and hype, making sure that every step of the way, I'm supporting the vision of the wedding day.







What Inspired Us to Start Our Business is:

When I got married, my wife and I threw a grand party that is still talked about in our friend group. But back then, I didn't know about photography, so we fell into the trap of budget shopping. Our wedding photographs didn't capture what it felt like to be there that day.

When I began my business, I vowed that every client I ever served would never feel what we felt. Your gallery will reflect the highest highs of your day, the moments you didn't know were happening around you, and the I-can't-believe-that-happened dance moves of the night. That drive is what gives me the utmost confidence that you're going to love your gallery.



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What Makes Our Business Stand Out From Other Photographers Is:

The client experience. From a custom 90-page bridal guide that you'll receive after booking, to some surprises and delights as we lead up to your wedding, I go above and beyond for my couples to deliver a client experience they'll never forget.

I deliver great photos. But the reality is that to some, the line between a good and a great photo is blurred. But the line between a good and a great client experience is clear, and that's what I bring to your wedding experience.



ARIANNA J PHOTOGRAPHY

My Wedding Style Is:

My art is ever-evolving, and as such, I do not like putting myself into a box. What I will say is that I am a believer in capturing images that are emotive and thought-provoking.

If I had to give myself adjectives in modern-day photography, I would choose a combination of candid, documentary style, and editorial.

There are so many different moments on a wedding day, and as such there are so many different ways to capture these moments. My goal as your wedding photographer is never to put trends over connection and to capture images that feel true.

I want you to look back on your wedding photos in the years to come and feel the way you felt when you were there.



ARIANNA POTTS







My Personality:

If you meet me, you will understand that there are two very real facts about me.

The first is that I take my job very, very seriously. The second is that's about the only thing I take seriously.

Wearing a smile is part of my outfit, and going with the flow is the way I've always been. All of my couples will tell you that I bring the zen and calm to an otherwise full and busy day.

I strongly believe there are no bad vibes on wedding days. I want to seamlessly fit into your bridal party as the person you feel you've known your entire life, and I want you to trust me when anything stressful arises and decisions need to be made confidently.

I do cry tears during the father-daughter dance and laugh during the best man speech. When I say I am fully present on your day, I really truly am. I am that person who will laugh with you and cry with you through all the moments, and I pride myself on forming everlasting friendships with all of my couples after their wedding day ends.



What Makes My Business Stand Out From Other Photographers Is:

I have spent the last seven years building a strong portfolio with a long list of venues in the greater Tampa area. As such, I have been blessed to form strong vendor relationships with so many incredibly talented businesses.

What really sets us apart is how we show up for our clients. How we advocate for them. How we fit into their lives and their own personalities. How we deliver. How we go above and beyond and then some.

I treat every wedding as if it were my own and my goal is to leave not as someone they hired but as someone they trust, as someone who will now be a forever friend.

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Learn More about Arianna J Photography





To pine: to yearn for someone or something To forge: to create, to form with fire

Wedding Style:

We like to say that our wedding style is a refreshing mix of playfulness and photojournalism.

Some popular terminology that couples use to describe our style is vibrant, fun, candid, editorial, filmy, classic, timeless, true to color, real life, and documentary-style.

Most importantly. we want you to be YOU, and sometimes that can be challenging for couples if they are not used to being in front of the camera or don't enjoy the spotlight, so our way of directing what we capture helps our couples get there.

I Love Weddings Because...

Love is the most moving, powerful, meaningful, beautiful part of the human experience, and we are so lucky to get to capture that for our couples. Aside from love, weddings are full of hope, inspiration, happiness, and testimony — all things that fuel our passion for photographing and filming weddings.

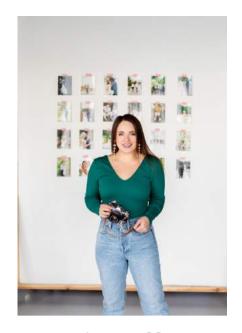
Personality:

We are vibe-matchers and cheerleaders. We truly enjoy bringing out the essence of your relationship — with each other and with your family and friends in the moment.









Heidi Hoffman

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What Inspired Me to Start My Business

Photography has always been a big part of my life — even if I wasn't always the one holding the camera. From my mom taking a million photos of me and my siblings growing up to recently going through my grandparent's house and finding a whole room full of boxes of photos and albums going back decades. The depth and importance of documenting personal family history is something that will stay with me forever.

I launched into the wedding industry straight after college when I started working as the Creative Director and Designer for a bridal magazine.

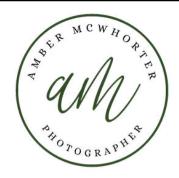
Pine & Forge came to life in 2017 and truly took off in 2019 when it became a full-time endeavor. It comes from a deeply sentimental place to be able to photograph and film these magical, personal moments for my couples while adoring the fine, intentional details.

One Thing Couples Would Be Surprised To Know Is:

I am ordained in the state of Florida, and on one occasion, I had to spontaneously officiate the wedding ceremony of one of our couples. The rest of my three-person photo/video team stepped up to capture the ceremony flawlessly. The guests had no clue anything was amiss! The Mother of the Bride thanked me profusely for literally saving the day. It was quite a different experience editing a wedding film that had my spur-of-the-moment script and my voice on it.







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Amber McWhorter Photography provides couples with memories that will last forever.

It is a produced vision of their journey together as a couple from their engagement session, to their wedding day, and even anniversary sessions when desired.

My photography is a photo-journalistic style. I am there to tell your story and to document your day which is accentuated by taking in all of the surrounding areas and creatively using them to enhance your photos.

I love sunshine and using natural lighting as often as I can to enhance the warm glow and sun flares in the portraits that I capture. This produces photos what a more genuine feel.

While editing is part of all post-processing, my editing stands out because I stick to deep, natural colors that will keep images timeless.

One of my favorite things about being a wedding photographer is loving what I do. I love meeting new couples. I love getting to know them and witnessing their connection.



"I have a passion for documenting moments of raw emotions and connections between two souls. This significant time stands still, and it is put into photographs that will last a lifetime."

-Amber McWhorter

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What Would Couples Be Surprised to Learn about You?

"One thing most couples would be surprised to know about me is that while I am super comfortable being behind the camera when I am in front of the camera, I have no clue what to do!

So many couples think that because I am good at giving prompts, posing, and capturing candid moments that when I am in front of the camera, I am a natural but I totally am not!"

What is One of Your Passions, Non-Wedding Related?

A non-wedding related passion is traveling. In my spare time away from my business, I love exploring and enjoying the outdoors. The world offers so much beauty, and it is a passion of mine to see it, photograph it, and to stop and just take it all in.

Learn More about Amber McWhorter Photography



AMBER MCWHORTER

I am a wife, a mom to a little girl, and a dog mom to a husky-shepherd mix, Kaia. While I have lived in the Tampa area my entire life, I love going on new adventures to travel and see new places, trying new restaurants and coffee shops, checking out local breweries, going to concerts, and experiencing new moments.

I am an ocean lover but thoroughly enjoy the mountains almost as much. My husband and I live very water-oriented lives, with him being a fishing charter captain and my love for a beautiful sunset beach engagement or wedding. We both enjoy a beautiful day on the water, fishing, scuba diving, or just cruising around to watch the sunset.

While in college, I learned film photography however, my passion continued to grow through learning photography in the digital world. Today, I am blessed to have my successful photography business for over ten years, and I am still in love with every moment and couple captured.

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MARY ANNA

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WHAT INSPIRED YOU TO START YOUR BUSINESS?

I opened up my laptop one day and I had the most beautiful message.

"These pictures are so perfect! Thank you so much! I am literally crying right now!"

That's my goal: to make my couples cry. (Happy tears only!) When I capture moments, I'm giving you a pass to relive and share the happiest moments you've ever experienced. So while I do love weddings and my camera...the passion behind my life's work is creating images that are so intensely beautiful and deeply meaningful so that you can relive them for the rest of your life.





MARY NEIMAN

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WHAT MAKES YOUR BUSINESS STAND OUT FROM OTHER PHOTOGRAPHERS?

Gorgeous photos are only the beginning of what we offer. Having genuine friendships with my clients positively impacts your wedding portraits.

You want more than just beautiful portraits. You want someone who knows your love story and captures real emotions, so when I arrive on your wedding day, it will be a relief to feel like a friend arrived and not just a hired vendor.

Because I've photographed so many weddings, I know what will make for GOOD wedding days and what will make for GORGEOUS wedding days. I work with you on all the little details...everything from engagement portraits, to veil choices to exits. I craft a custom timeline with each of my brides that will capture YOUR priorities for the wedding day.

One of the main reasons that our clients love their photos is because they love how they look in them. We help our couples feel natural and confident in front of our cameras. I teach them how to pose for their body type to create special moments that look beautiful, easy, and natural in front of the camera.

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What Inspired You to Start Your Business?

I have always wanted a business that impacted peoples' lives, and the wedding industry has given me the opportunity to do so. Delivering high-quality photos and cinematic videos is what gives us daily satisfaction.

We love seeing our couples' dream weddings unfold right in front of them and being able to capture every detail to be remembered for years to come!

What Makes your Business Stand Out From Others Photographers/Videographers?

Our customer service! We truly care about our couples and want the very best for them. We work hand-in-hand to make sure not a single detail is missed.

Communication is very important to us. We always encourage our couples to reach out when they have wedding questions, even if it is not photo or video-related. You can see from all of our reviews that our couples love our excellent communication and process.

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What is One of Your Passions, Non-Wedding Related?

I love sports. I'm a huge Philadelphia Eagles football fan!

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Meet husband-and-wife team, Jennifer and Scott



Jennifer is the lead photographer, videographer, and point-of-contact for all of our couples.

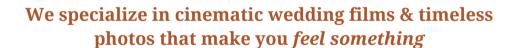
Scott is the lead videographer, lead editor, and photographer.

Jennifer plays a more vocal role on the wedding day. She loves directing and guiding everyone to ensure everything goes smoothly, while Scott plays a more technical role in ensuring the actual documentation is perfect and our team is coordinated.

What Makes Your Business Stand Out From Other Photographers/Videographers?

Both of us are skilled and able to capture both photo and video. We are very familiar with both mediums of documentation and how to navigate a wedding day to support what looks good for both photo and video. We are very prompt-based in our direction for portraits of our couples and their wedding parties to allow for more natural emotions and motion that translate well to both forms of documentation!

Scott has 15 years of experience in photography and videography while Jennifer has 8 years of experience. Our camera work comes natural to us — we'll capture all moments (big and small) and are able to simultaneously shoot, direct, and be actively involved on a wedding day.



We Love Being a Part of the Wedding Industry Because:

We love what we do. Weddings introduce and expose us to so many different types of love stories, cultural traditions, Pinterest-worthy details, and such a variety of people who enable us to grow as a company and as individuals. We love providing our couples with a seamless, enjoyable experience and seeing their reaction when their wedding photos and film showcase their day flawlessly.

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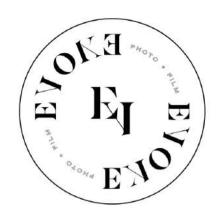


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"We're known for pairing our artistic photography and videography style with an ability to navigate weddings with ease."

-STACY AND GARRY BOYCE



OUR PERSONALITY IS

We are fun-loving, light-hearted, and patient creatives at heart. We take our work very seriously, always looking for the next 'thing' that will set us apart. We are flexible, calm under pressure, and feed off each other's energy and ideas.

Being a married couple ourselves gives us (and you) an advantage when it comes to posing, chemistry, and understanding the value of your relationship.

We help you feel at ease by being a calming, assuring presence. The feedback we receive is that being photographed by us feels like being on an amazing date with incredible photos.



WHERE DO YOU DRAW YOUR INSPIRATION?

Our artistic influence comes from European photography, fashion, culture, and art. We have studied under some of the most predominant photographers in Spain, Russia, and Germany. Our inspiration comes from the use of light and shadow, the way that natural light plays on our subject, and the surrounding architecture.

Storytelling is of the utmost importance when it comes to our final gallery and film delivery, not redundancy in photo after photo with little to no variation. We create a moving story that unfolds as if you're there again, feeling those emotions, enveloped into the moments once again.

WHAT IS ONE THING COUPLES WOULD BE SURPRISED TO KNOW ABOUT YOU?

We both have a background as first responders. Garry was a volunteer firefighter, and Stacy was a firefighter and EMT. This contributes to our ability to remain calm and collected during wedding days. We work well under pressure and don't shy away from a fast moving day.

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OUR WEDDING STYLE IS:

We consider ourselves true to color and dramatic. However, all lighting situations are different, and we shoot accordingly. So your gallery may have some more light and airy, some dark and dramatic, some with straight flash, and some utilizing off-camera flash. We like to stay consistent but also versatile and are comfortable in all lighting conditions.

OUR PERSONALITY IS:

We are relaxed and laid back, definitely not type-A's. We love cues for posing to get natural reactions while also being that fly on the wall capturing those spontaneous moments

WHAT MAKES OUR BUSINESS STAND OUT FROM OTHER PHOTOGRAPHERS IS:

We offer high-quality photography and videography and are able to save couples a lot of money because we do it as a team. We also try to make things super easy for our couples. Not only can we take care of all your photography needs, but our packages are all all-day, so no worrying about time constraints and things like that. Every session, you get a print release to print all your favorite pictures. We also don't count photos; we deliver the best images edited in a shareable album.

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Romantic, Timeless, Film-like

Our Wedding Style Is:

I have an editorial bent to my style, but I love to capture the in-between, candid moments that you'll remember for a lifetime, too! I'm especially fond of detail photos, capturing the dance floor, direct flash, and using dreamy natural light during your portraits and golden hour photos.

Our Personality Style Is:

Fun, laid-back, but detail-oriented and editorial! The most common feedback I get from couples is, "Wow. You made me so calm – any time I felt nervous, I just looked at you and felt relaxed!"

Even when things go off the timeline, I'm here to bring us back, help us catch up, and remind you to enjoy the day despite any mishaps. After all, that's where the best memories come from!

My secret power is sneaking in a lot of shots quickly – I don't want your wedding day to feel like a photoshoot, but I also don't want you to miss anything.

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JEFF KATHREIN

In crafting our images, we're passionate about natural light. Our meticulous process involves capturing and editing bright, airy, and timeless photographs.



OUR WEDDING STYLE IS:

Our wedding style is chic, elegant, boho, DIY, pro-planned, old Hollywood glam meets backyard daughter. The lucky thing about what we do is we get to experience all the wedding styles and all the creativity couples put into their day.

Our images, however, have a definite style. We love natural light. We shoot and meticulously edit bright, airy, and timeless images. In the evenings, we always use off-camera lighting to make a reception room look perfectly lit from any vantage point.



OUR PERSONALITY IS:

We are people-people. It's a profession of smiles and warm moments with friends and couples, and only photographers who love making friends would stay in this industry as long as we have.

The success of a wedding day depends on professional planning and organization, experience, and an eye for the magic that happens in between.

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What is one of your favorite things about being a wedding professional?

Being a wedding photographer is an honor. It's an honor for me to be chosen to document such a special day and the beginning of a new chapter, and it's an honor that my clients believe in my ability to produce images that best represent their celebration and their story.





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<u>Learn More about Joyelan Photography</u>



JOY HMIELEWSKI

What inspired you to start your business?

I started in the photojournalism field and was traveling to different countries every year. I realized I love observing the way people connect, but mostly I love the rituals that bring couples and families together.

Capturing those moments and preserving those emotions is so rewarding. Since I thrive on adventure and the hustle of challenging work, wedding photography is a perfect fit for me as a career.

What makes your business stand out from other photographers?

After ten years of photographing weddings, I've dealt with what feels like every possible scenario. I've also photographed a variety of unique venues such as luxury hotels, vineyards, yachts, sailboats, and beaches in Mexico and the Bahamas. I have a great understanding of the challenges that can arise and how to move past them with ease.

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Iyrus Weddings

Iyrus Weddings offers high-end cinematic video that showcases your wedding day through love letters, vows, and toasts to really tell the story of your everlasting love and showcase the emotion from your day.

Our personalities are upbeat, high energy, fun, and professional. Our business stands out as we are very personable and work well with other photographers. Since we offer both photo and video, we understand how to capture video without stepping on the toes of your photographer.

8 hours of video coverage with two videographers, drone footage, professional editing, and a 7-10 minute cinematic wedding film starts at \$3,200.

Priceless Studio Design

Our wedding videography style is cinematic with amazing storytelling from start to finish. We pay attention to the details; we don't simply put clips together.

We are suckers for nostalgia, emotion, teary moments, and good lighting. We want to be like family, not the hired help. It shows in our work that we enjoy filming moments that you can relive with your spouse.

The fondest memories can be a blur. We make them last forever.

Our average videography package is \$2,100.



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WHO'S WHO: WEDDING VIDEOGRAPHERS



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J&S Media Films & Photo

J&S Media Wedding Films & Photo specializes in both cinematic wedding films and wedding photography. We've spent years perfecting the client experience, how we work together as a team, training trusted team members, and telling stories through both photo and video.

Our style is versatile and tailored to each of our couples while still maintaining our own J&S Media style as artists. In specializing in both photo and video, we're able to navigate a wedding day doing what's best for both mediums of documentation which we believe is one of the traits that separate us from others!

Wedding collections begin at \$4,400 per service with the average couple spending \$8,000-\$8,800 for wedding film and photo collections.

WHO'S WHO: WEDDING CONTENT CREATORS

Behind the Vows

Experience your wedding day immediately after with raw, candid iPhone footage of your ceremony, cocktail hour, and reception.

See your partner's smiling face just moments after your first look or their emotional reaction as you walk down the aisle.

Behind the Vows wedding day content creation offers supplementary coverage to your wedding day and instant gratification by delivering your content within 24-48 hours.

Whether you want us to take over your Instagram Stories so that your loved ones who aren't able to attend can follow your day in real-time, or you want content for Reels and TikToks to share after the wedding, our team will be your personal content creators, capturing the most memorable moments of the day.

Packages start at \$1,299, including raw footage and edited reels.

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