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"Making women gorgeous one person at a time."

"We all have moments in life that we will never forget," says Conrad Sanchez with The Face of New Mexico. A registered cosmetologist who specializes in aesthetics (the study of skin care), Conrad realizes that a wedding is a very precious moment. "What make it special are the details, the little things — and I like making those things happen."

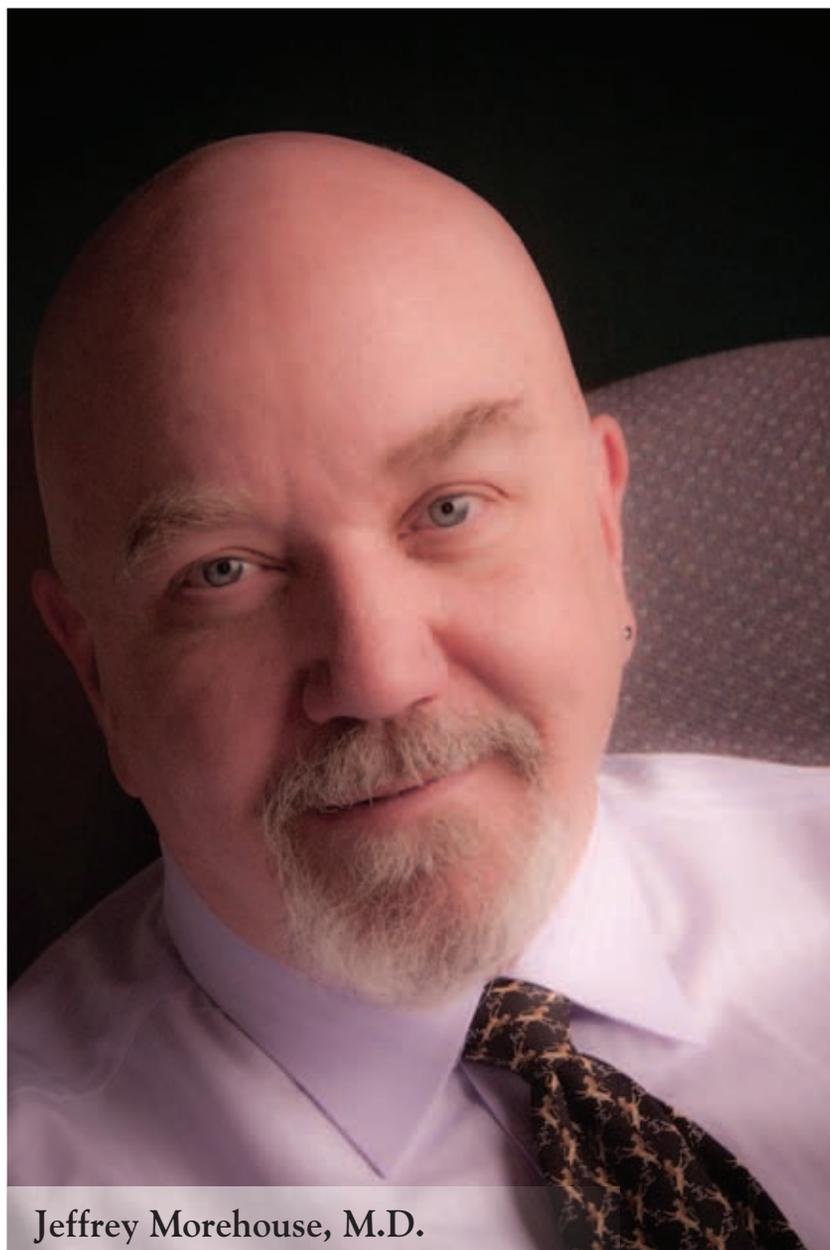
Conrad specializes in helping brides-to-be look and feel better. "I've worked with celebrities and top fashion models, and I know all the secrets that make them look the way they do," he says. From preparing your skin for the big day to professional makeup artistry, Conrad's ready to give you the same looks you see on the women in glossy magazines.

The Face of New Mexico works independently, as well as in conjunction with ABQ Health Partners Plastic Surgery Center and Board Certified Plastic Surgeon Jeffrey Morehouse, M.D., where Conrad is the Center's in-house aesthetician and skin care specialist.

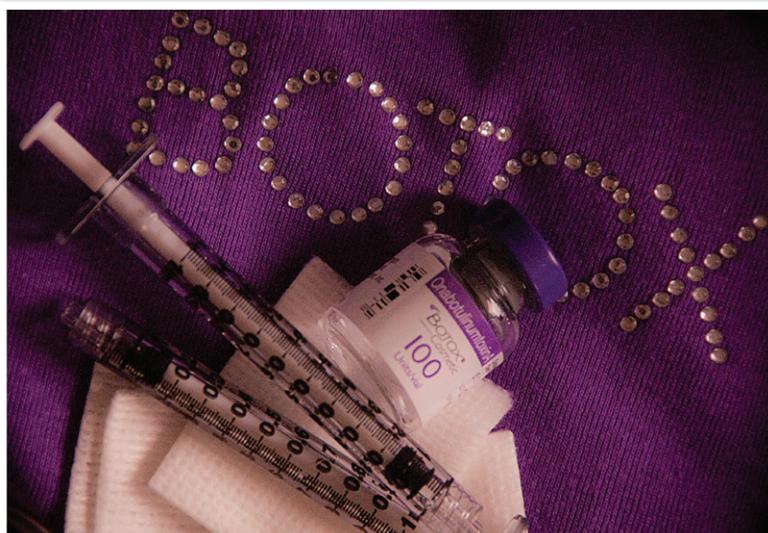
Conrad knows skin. He can identify, diagnose and manage all skin types. He can recommend the professional strength skin care and body care products, foundations, and makeup colors that best suit your skin type and tone. In addition, Conrad provides professional facials, microdermabrasion, chemical/facial peels, body treatments, and make-up artistry for the bride's special day.

He has been an award-winning leader in his field for 16 years. For nine years, Conrad served at the forefront of the House of Chanel: one of the world's top fashion, fragrance, skin care and cosmetic houses. His extensive training in aesthetics, makeup artistry and cosmetology in both New York and Paris gives him a level of expertise that is highly coveted by his clientele.

Conrad's greatest reward? The smile on a bride when she looks in the mirror. To schedule a complimentary consultation, please contact him today at www.faceofnewmexico.com.



Jeffrey Morehouse, M.D.



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"Making brides and grooms look their best."

It's simple: You want to look your best on the most special day of your life.

With 17 years of experience as a board-certified plastic surgeon in Albuquerque, Dr. Morehouse has long experience helping brides and grooms achieve their best look. Whether that means a touch of Botox to smooth the wrinkles that can occur when squinting in sunny photos, or a little liposuction to make the dress or tux fit better, Dr. Morehouse enjoys helping the happy couple achieve their dream look.

Dr. Morehouse strives for a natural beauty that no one would suspect. He specializes in enhancements such as breast augmentation, lifts, reductions, facelifts, liposuction, Botox, fillers and laser facial resurfacing. "Whether the bride or groom is young or more mature, they deserve to look as great as they feel on such a happy day," he says.

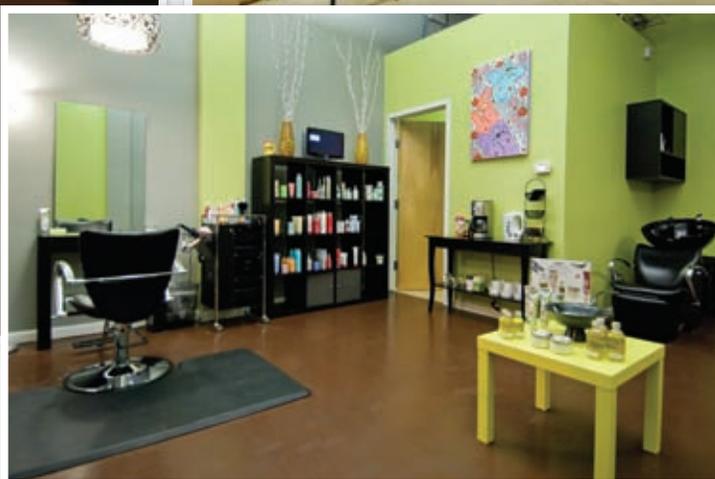
In fact, everything Dr. Morehouse does focuses on helping the "outer you" match the "inner you." "I strongly believe beauty radiates from within," he says. "I see my job as being to help that beauty come to the surface."

And that means a one-size-fits-all approach really doesn't fit anyone, in Dr. Morehouse's book. "If a bride and groom come to me for a consultation, we talk about what they specifically want to achieve," he says. "It's up to them to help guide me in finding enhancements that are meaningful to them."

Brides trust Dr. Morehouse because of his experience. A long-standing member of the American Society of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery, Dr. Morehouse hails from Albuquerque and completed his plastic surgery fellowship at Yale University. He knows all the techniques employed by plastic surgeons to the stars, but he's homegrown and in touch with the aesthetic values of the Southwestern population.

Dr. Morehouse practices at the ABQ Health Partners Plastic Surgery Center. Cosmetic procedure consultations always are free. Call today to schedule yours!





Revelry Salon

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Designing a bride's hair and makeup is an incredible responsibility, but for the fashion and beauty stylists at Revelry Salon, there's nothing more satisfying than seeing a happy bride walking down the aisle with the perfect look and a smile.

"We love having a hand in creating some of the best memories of a bride's big day," says Anna Rogers, who was voted the city's Best Colorist in *Albuquerque The Magazine* in 2009. "It's awesome bringing the bride's vision of what she wants to look like on her big day to life." By changing the look, even just a little bit, Revelry Salon believes they help reveal a bride's true personality and boost her self esteem.

Paying close attention to the latest trends and techniques, the staff at Revelry Salon is now using organic products, which allows them to provide a natural and softened look. Rogers, who graduated from the Tony & Guy Hairdressing Academy in Phoenix six years ago, says she avoids synthetic products. Instead, she prefers natural products from Italian companies like Davines that contain no silicones, parabens, sulfates, or harsh petrochemicals.

Not limited to brides, Revelry Salon offers their special touch to the entire bridal party, and can provide the groom, best man, and family members with expert haircuts, makeup, eyelash extensions, facial waxing, hair extensions, color, Keratin Express Brazilian Blow Outs, and highlights.

Anna and stylist Trisha Ramirez, who attended Urban Academy, are committed to the community. Each has donated 100 percent of their proceeds from fashion and hair events for the benefit of the Road Runner Food Bank, Ronald McDonald House, the American Heart Association, and Race for the Cure.

To see more of the salon's work, check out their design styles published in *Western English* and *Modern Arabian Magazine*.

Nicky V's Neighborhood Pizzeria

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Whether it's a wedding-related event or getting together for happy hour, restaurateur Nicole Villareal loves seeing groups of people happy. Specializing in smaller parties like bridal showers or rehearsal dinners, Nicole can customize any menu to accommodate a sit-down or buffet-style affair.

"At Nicky V's, we strive to 'Make it Happen,'" says Nicole. "If someone wants a catering that is off menu, we can make it happen. If they need it last-minute, we will find a way to make that happen, too." She offers an approachable wine list and can set up a private tasting before events to help pair with the menu. Nicky V's also provides off-site catering for events, whether take out or delivery.

To make your wedding-related event — or any special occasion — properly festive, Nicky V's offers a private banquet space to accommodate up to 40 people, plus a 92-inch TV screen that can play slide shows or wedding videos during the event. On occasion, Nicole has opened up the entire restaurant for larger private parties, depending on the circumstances.

Always keeping up with trends, Nicole finds that nowadays, wedding couples are getting back to basics for their events. "Whereas champagne towers and ice sculptures sat on each table in years past, now it's a simple glass of wine and a chocolate truffle," she says.

A professional people person, Nicole loves that wedding couples trust their events to Nicky V's. "They feel comfortable enough to have us be involved with their day, and we appreciate that we get to be a part of it." She believes that the steady growth of return guests is a sign of success for her business in the marketplace. "I read every single comment card that guests leave at their place settings," says the entrepreneur, wife, mother and former real estate professional.





Albuquerque Florist

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Brennen Rigler and his exceptional staff at Albuquerque Florist don't want the bouquets at your next event to simply look pretty; they want them to have an emotional impact. Working in the industry since he was 13, Brennen has put together the most stellar team in Albuquerque, buying out several other floral stores and employing the best of the best in the business. "Our staff is just unparalleled—each of them has more than 15 years experience," Brennen compliments. "I've seen their creative juices generate things that many people could never even dream of. They all work together so well to make sure no client forgets their work."

Working in an industry that touches the lives of people at both their highest and lowest moments in life, Albuquerque Florist takes each job as seriously as the next, working hand in hand with the client to design arrangements with as much or as little attention as needed. "As far as weddings go, it's a really intricate process," Brennen says. "One of our florists sits down with the bride, and together they work to design the ideal bouquet while trying to keep the whole process fun, never tedious. Once designed, only the freshest, highest-quality flowers are used, and in the end, the arrangements literally look like artwork."

That artwork has certainly proven itself, as Albuquerque Florist currently works with several prize-winning accounts around town, and boasts a huge corporate following. "Our customer service is key in maintaining and adding new accounts in Albuquerque," Brennen says. "Customers are why all of us are in this business, and we work very hard to make them return. Despite the economy, we actually have seen sales increase, which is wonderful."

Brennan considers the floral business very rewarding work, with both his employees and clients. "I try to make work fun and the atmosphere a positive one. The dedication that my staff has to this business is astonishing."

Desert Greens Golf Course

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Ever since it opened in the 1960s, Desert Greens Golf Course has held memorable weddings. "We provide a lovely West Side location to host every sort of event," notes event coordinator Alena Swanson.

Weddings have always been a natural fit for Desert Greens. "We have a beautiful outdoor spot for ceremonies overlooking the Sandia Mountains and Albuquerque's city lights," Alena says. "And recently, we completed a \$1.5 million renovation to our banquet room for elegant receptions serving up to 295 guests."

Constantly hosting and catering memorable events, Desert Greens realizes that the wedding party will remember the details of their event against the backdrop of its facility and view. The venue's expertise lies in meeting every bride's unique budget — whether it's exceptional food and service for a reasonable price, or providing all of the over-the-top extra details for a spectacular, once-in-a-lifetime event.

In addition to unforgettable weddings, the banquet facility at Desert Greens holds graduation parties, anniversary celebrations, corporate events, and any other milestone celebrations year round. Along with breathtaking views, amenities include a tailored menu created by their outstanding chef, and a premium bar.

As Desert Greens' full-time wedding and event coordinator, Alena will assist in planning your event. She is available from the beginning of your booking to create your timeline, order special linens and décor, and plan your meal. She is also present during events to make sure everything runs smoothly and as planned.

"We strive to personalize every package and are more than willing to try something new," Alena says. "We place the highest priority on the quality of service we provide and take pride in making every event special." Desert Greens Golf Course has created custom meals, changed the color of champagne to match the wedding decor, and even placed one-time orders for specialty champagnes. Let Alena and her professional staff make *your* wedding dreams come true.





O'Niell's Event Space

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When it comes to wedding-related events — or any other kind — O'Niell's offers a space that's inspired by the same *good food, honest drink* mantra that's at the heart of the O'Niell's brand.

Conveniently located in the heart of Albuquerque's Nob Hill, this welcoming and affordable venue is perfect for your bachelor or bachelorette party, rehearsal dinner, wedding or reception.

Amenities include an open floor plan, a private and professionally staffed bar, an attached private patio with outdoor fire pits and heaters, an accordion-style glass wall that opens to create one grand indoor/outdoor space, state-of-the-art indoor and outdoor audio-visual capabilities, plus a fully customizable menu. Completing the O'Niell's event experience are beautiful hand-crafted details, hard-wood floors and floor-to-ceiling windows that let in reams of natural light.

A fun, intimate venue, O'Niell's is where good people get together to have a great time. "Our space is simple, beautiful and comes at an unmatched value," says Banquet Manager Liz Coan. "It's no big news that these are tough times we're living in. But even with 10 percent unemployment and a struggling economy, people are still falling in love and getting married just like they always have. The only big difference is the amount of money people have and are willing to spend."

Liz recalls reading somewhere that the average wedding in the United States costs \$28,000. "That can be an extremely intimidating number in Albuquerque, where the average household income is less than twice that," she says. O'Niell's is proud to be an affordable venue that is accessible to folks from broad walks of life.

"The hospitality business is in our DNA," Liz adds. "We love seeing enthusiastic couples coming by to check out the space." The vast majority of O'Niell's event business comes from loyal customers who keep returning for more of its distinctive special-occasion hospitality.



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There's something refreshingly offbeat about Bravo Alpha Events (BAE). "We don't do weddings," says chief decision maker Tiffany Ficklin, an Albuquerque native who's an expert in event planning, public relations and non-profit fundraising. With 15+ years of experience, BAE is proudly selective of its clients, offering an outstanding and alternative wedding program that's "remarkably elegant and socially responsible," Tiffany says.

"We create unique, memorable, high-end yet cost-effective 'green' events that attract the alternative 'Bad Ass Bride' — someone who realizes that weddings are so much more than cookie-cutter chicken dinners and puffy white clouds of taffeta and roses," Tiffany explains.

"Gone is the day where your mother planned every last detail from the big white dress to the massive bouquets and five-course dinners with a DJ in the hotel banquet room," notes Tiffany. "Today's brides are savvy, sexy, and seeking understated elegance in unique venues that reflect the couple's lifestyle, interests and hobbies."

It's little wonder that BAE passionately loves throwing parties. "From our first Barbie cocktail party, to our college social events, to our own holiday get-togethers, we were destined to plan amazing events," adds Tiffany about the BAE team, which includes dynamic and highly skilled event professionals and premier vendors located across the country.

As complete event and meeting planners, BAE handles green events, government, adventure, team building, flair, corporate, expos, meetings/meeting support, sporting, fundraising and private events. "When our clients are in the spotlight, they have enjoyed the entire experience, and they didn't have to lift a finger," Tiffany says. "That is our benchmark of success."

BAE also supports many local non-profit organizations, including the Albuquerque Opportunity Center and Cottonwood School. BAE's Plan-It Green program supplies green education and sustainable event options that reduce the carbon footprint of clients and their guests. The company is certified green, able to certify its own events (and others) as green-sustainable.





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A full-scale event design company, Distracted by Décor (DBD) creates everything for its clients a la carte. Owner Robert Osmond and designer Brennan Jones-Wilson strive with the most amazing use of materials and designs to produce events that blow the mind. The company specializes in corporate incentive events, weddings, galas, holiday celebrations or any other occasion. Only the best in quality materials and an extensive collection of designer products are used.

“Our attention to detail and design and the ability to take the client’s vision and provide the distinctive visual décor they’re seeking has earned us excellent name recognition within the community,” says Robert, an Albuquerque native. DBD takes pride in making a world-class industry standard available to our community — “whether people live here or return to celebrate a wedding, fundraiser or anniversary.”

Robert founded DBD in 2000 in an effort to accommodate the Southwest’s growing need for full-scale event design services. At a time when rental companies provided materials only, DBD set a new precedent by offering material, design expertise, full installations, and the region’s only local one-stop event shop.

With a keen eye for design and a unique understanding of materials atypical of the industry, Robert and Brennan have a feel for space, how people move through it, and what makes them feel special. “We’re passionate about bringing metropolitan décor and design, worthy of any city in the world, to Albuquerque,” Brennan says. They especially enjoy reassuring worried clients that everything is going to be fabulous when their moment comes to be in the spotlight.

Through generous in-kind donations, Distracted by Décor has supported nearly every non-profit organization operating in the greater metro area, and has coordinated food bank donations on behalf of its clients.

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The Sheraton Albuquerque Airport Hotel creates exceptional wedding packages that meet the needs of any bride and groom. Your wedding planning can be stress-free with packages that include a customized wedding cake, reception décor, newlywed suite, creative reception menus and more. What sets the hotel apart from other venues is the longevity of the staff. With 10-20 years together, our team knows how to work together to create an extraordinary day for newlyweds and their guests.

With beautiful, flexible and newly renovated ballrooms, the hotel can accommodate an elaborate party for 400 people or an intimate gathering of 50 family members and friends. The hotel has recently added a newly landscaped outdoor area to offer you a memorable ceremony setting with a stunning view of the romantic Sandia Mountains.

The experienced and dedicated staff at the Sheraton Albuquerque Airport Hotel enjoys being a part of your special day. Our team loves coming to work knowing every member can contribute his or her part to make this special occasion unforgettable for both you and your guests. The Sheraton defines success by exceeding the needs of its guests. Each wedding party enjoys a warm and rewarding experience that everyone will fondly remember.

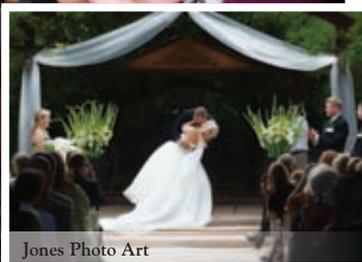
Since its opening, the Sheraton Albuquerque Airport Hotel has been the venue to more than 700 successful weddings. Being the only full-service hotel in the airport area, we are able to offer luxurious space as well as convenience in a single location. The hotel has just completed a \$14 million renovation, which will provide a fresh and elegant new look for your wedding.

Say "I do!" at the Sheraton Albuquerque Airport Hotel. Your personal Wedding Specialist will take you every step of the way to help you plan—and have—a perfectly memorable wedding. Contact our Sales Office at (505) 244-8555 for more information.



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Celebrations! Wedding and Events and *Wedding Coach Online* create a truly memorable wedding for couples. In an industry with many part-timers, wedding and event planner Karen Stallard has run her small, local businesses full-time since 2004. "I have built relationships with leading industry professionals that allow my team to deliver the best services for our clients," she says.

Having coordinated events since the 1980s, Karen finds her project management experience is a great fit for events and ever-changing trends. "Brides are definitely customizing their weddings to reflect their personalities, and moving away from some of the standard traditions," says Karen. "Receptions are full of color — everywhere!"

Karen now offers two types of planning services: full-service and online. Customized and collaborative, *Celebrations!* provides exclusive, hands-on assistance from initial budget planning through the last guest's departure.

New and innovative, *Wedding Coach Online* offers the same professional planning services to non-*Celebrations!* brides via an online chat window, providing access to experienced professionals 12 hours a day. "Now," Karen says, "any bride anywhere can obtain assistance without committing to a full-service planner."

"Now more than ever, an experienced wedding planner is essential," Karen adds. "A good planner will minimize stress and expenses." She has planned weddings throughout New Mexico, the United States and in international locations.

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Untraditional, family-oriented, budget-friendly and fun. Sound like the wedding event you're looking for? Then head to the basement — Buca di Beppo, that is. Translated into English, Buca di Beppo literally means "Joe's Basement."

With eye-catching décor, a friendly and outgoing staff, head chef Jose's superb creations and sales manager Michelle Garcia's 9-plus years of event-planning experience, Buca is the place for the extraordinary.

General manager Joe Gates is responsible for running the restaurant, as well as much of its success. "Our menu offers enormous plates for sharing, a large wine list, and super-yummy, homemade desserts like tiramisu and homemade cheesecake," says Michelle. "Everything we do focuses on the family and an overall unforgettable time."

Buca di Beppo caters to large-party wedding events such as showers, rehearsal dinners and receptions. The restaurant is able to accommodate up to 140 people, Michelle explains; even the wedding service can be held right on the premises, which includes a beautiful patio.

"Sometimes, hotel weddings can be so quiet, formal and repetitive," Michelle says. "At Buca, we work hard to achieve the opposite. We want guests to relax and have a ton of fun interacting with one another with great food, drink, music and service. We offer a hassle-free menu — which means the party walks in the door, gets a drink, and out comes the food. I'm there from start to finish, and we always make sure no one leaves hungry!"



A Cake Odyssey

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Inspired by customer ideas, their own creative visions, and even the music of Bach and Strauss, the team of decorators at A Cake Odyssey loves what they do — and it shows in their tasty products and wedding cakes.

“Personally, I am inspired by things I see around me,” says Karyn West, a Native American, who along with her husband Jim, have been in business since 1998, originally operating as Unique Cakes by Karyn. “I look at things that are interesting and try to see how it can be made using our medium, cake and icing. Lately, I have been seduced by fabrics, textiles, and paintings.”

For wedding cakes, Karyn recommends creating an “art piece” that represents the couple’s personality. With over 30 years of experience, she’s seen cake designs change dramatically in the last decade. Staying up with the trends, like butter cream designs to rolled fondant, they are the perfect guides to offer consultation to a bride and groom. The West’s goal is to ensure the design process is a good experience and that the perfect cake is offered to guests on the big day.

Along with top-notch service, A Cake Odyssey offers a fine array of pastries as well as dessert cakes. The shop, now located in Los Ranchos de Albuquerque, also sells cookies and birthday cakes. But they are best known for their exquisite wedding cakes, which can be delivered anywhere in the state and even to some border towns.

For Valentine’s Day and other holidays, the bakery markets scrumptious chocolates, strawberries and other delicious gifts for that special person. And, if you’re a teacher, fire fighter, soldier, or work in law enforcement, A Cake Odyssey offers a 15 percent discount.





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"I believe wedding events are going to be more intimate and personal, décor is going to be simple and elegant, and foods are going to be comforting and wholesome using local ingredients," says Hanif Tajdin, owner of the full-service A KayTahRing Company. KayTahRing can be your one-stop shop for practically everything—food, linen, china, glassware, flowers, lighting and dance floors.

"We make your wedding day stress-free by having one person and one company to work with," Hanif explains. The KayTahRing team sits down with the couple, learns what they would like their perfect day to be, designs a menu that exceeds their expectations, then executes flawless service with exceptional food.

Hanif brings more than 20 years of seasoned hospitality experience from four-star, four-diamond properties in the United States and Africa. He won the Manager of the Year Award for The Omni Shoreham and Loews L'Enfant Plaza Hotel in Washington D.C.

"My mother is a great cook," says Hanif. "She used to do outside catering, and as a child, I would assist her. The meals she would pull off were amazing. We eventually catered a lunch for the past president of Kenya." With that kind of standard, it's little wonder KayTah Ring's dedicated team of caterers aims so high.

Linens and flatware furnished by Classic Party Rentals.



Albuquerque Convention Center

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Imagine your special day. Every detail is perfect, the room, the food, the flowers, the music and the company. If you can imagine it, we can make it happen at the Albuquerque Convention Center (ACC). Whether it's a wedding reception, quinceañera, banquet, concert, trade show or meeting the ACC can create your ideal event that will leave your guests or attendees wishing the night would never end.

Conveniently located in the heart of downtown Albuquerque, the ACC is professionally managed by SMG—which, with more than 28 years experience, is the worldwide leader in facility management. We can accommodate any size group from 8 to 8,000. We strive to provide premier, end-to-end customer service and our professional staff is dedicated to assisting you with all the details and recommendations that will build attendance and produce a highly memorable experience for everyone. Executive Chef James Hice of SAVOR, the exclusive provider of food & beverage at the ACC, can offer you an endless supply of menu choices that will tempt the taste buds of your guests and leave them wanting more.

During these difficult economic times, the ACC is constantly exploring ways to make our client's experience as effortless as possible, please ask your Sales Manager about our all-inclusive per person packages for banquets and social events.

In Spring 2011 be watching for the unveiling of the Kiva Suite and Club Kiva, two projects designed to enhance the concertgoer's experience here at the ACC.

If green is your thing, the ACC understands its global responsibility to help reduce the energy footprint on our local environment. We are committed to being responsible caretakers of the environment and created Operation Mean Green in 2007. It is an ongoing program dedicated to the three R's: REDUCE, REUSE & RECYCLE.

Contact us and learn more about why the ACC and any event are a perfect marriage.



New Mexico Wedding Professionals

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New Mexico Wedding Professionals (NMWP) is the state's premier wedding organization — the finest and most complete event planning source. Here, you'll find everything you need to create the perfect New Mexico wedding. Focused on educating brides about the latest trends and ideas on weddings and events, NMWP offers a website that promotes and informs people of quality products and services. Visit www.nmwp.com.

"Our members' reputations have been proven by the quality of their work, their professionalism, and their overall commitment to making your wedding day something truly special," according to NMWP President Michelle Garcia. "We guarantee that through NMWP, you will find the most exclusive group of wedding professionals New Mexico has to offer." Striving to maintain the industry's highest standards, NMWP members are some of the most experienced and dedicated wedding vendors in the Albuquerque/Santa Fe area.

Since the wedding and event business is so personal, NMWP holds both business and informal meetings to allow members to network and keep up with local and national industry trends. "Our format maximizes opportunities to learn from one another, as education is important to all of us," adds Michelle. The organization is volunteer-based, so there are no administrative salaries, "we do this because we love to help our NM brides create an unforgettable day." -michelle



UPCOMING PROFILES

April 2011:

Albuquerque Hispano Chamber of Commerce Members
Real Estate Professionals

May 2011:

New Mexico Restaurateurs, Women in Business

June 2011:

Health Care Professionals, Education, Home Professionals