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Vendor

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Your Guide to Crafting
Your Vendor Dream Team

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A Note From Shelby Odessa

As a photographer, my biggest wish for you is to be 100% present and engaged with the people around you on your wedding day. It leads to gorgeous candid and memorable moments to relive in your beautiful photographs. However, this can't be done without a trusted team that you can rely on to bring your vision to life. Here are some of my partners and my honest opinions on who I'd trust to make this happen.

COORDINATION, PLANNING & DESIGN

TOP CHOICE



KMC
WEDDINGS
& EVENTS

Strengths:

Rich Layers
Texture
Strong Efficiency
Vendor Relations
Luxury Details



Noted for her bold sense of design, Karen integrates layers of lush textures and colors to create a magical atmosphere for your guests. Her focus is sharp on efficiency, scheduled timelines and making sure your vendors are precisely where they need to be to keep things moving along. Her hotelier service background has given her the backbone to work with challenging guests, family or any issues that arise so that you simply enjoy your day.

DESTINATION WEDDING?

Karen's sister company KMC Destinations focuses solely on international luxury weddings.

EVERLASTING EVENTS



Strengths: Caring Service
Luxury Details
Elegant Style

Looking for an expert designer that also jumps in as your helpful best friend? Look no further. Her kind spirit brings your team together to pull off the design you've dreamed up flawlessly.

BLUE DAHLIA



Coordination-focused. If you already have your design and vendors set, but need someone to efficiently pull it together for the big day. Kate with Blue Dahlia is the best choice!

EM & ELLE EVENTS



Newer to the planning world, but an expert in navigating tricky logistics such as moving guests and family between locations, Libby is already an expert at wedding day management.

DJ & BANDS

TOP CHOICE



DAVID JAMES

8 yrs
of wedding
experience

David has traveled from coast to coast to bring rooms to life with music. His experience with corporate conferences, soirees and weddings has led to his adaptability to read any room and create an atmosphere that puts your guests at ease. His experience as a recording studio producer and musician allows him to best represent his couple's music choices with his diverse library to pull from.

FUN FACT:

He's my husband! It simply is the best fit for us to work alongside each other to pull out the very best of your day.

TOP CHOICE

BLUEWATER KINGS BAND

Truly the top-tier band in the region. Enjoy big band classy vibes paired with truly incredible vocalists that pull off the latest hits to cover songs that reach every guest. An absolutely captivating group that can cover your whole day's needs. Features big brass instruments that add a groove to the dance floor. Worth every penny!



SLY BAND

The ultimate in entertainment, this group puts on a show. Swagger, chic outfits and a jazzy style make your guests pay attention to the dance floor.

AIRWAVE

Big band sound with an old soul vibe. Perfect for a swanky and potentially older crowd that wants to get down with the classics.

helpful hint

Start a Spotify playlist now to add favorite songs of yours too throughout the months leading up to your wedding. Then share that with your DJ to give them a vibe of what you love!

STRINGSOURCE

Add a touch of true class with a trio or quartet of strings. Craving that Bridgerton wedding vibe with current pop songs played in a dreamy, cinematic orchestral styling? Look no further. Perfect for your ceremony and cocktail hour.



VIDEOGRAPHER

TOP CHOICE



CHASING MOZART

Strengths:

Cinematic
Energetic
Swoon-worthy
Candid Moments



Movie magic. Simple as that. Chris creates a legitimate movie out of your day that brings you right back to those core memories in the most incredible and emotional way. The pace of his videos makes your heart sore with the swoon-worthy portraits and then race with the energetic dancing. He's worth every pretty penny in order to capture your love story in motion. The end result is literal fireworks.

Looking back on my own wedding, this is the one piece that I wish I'd have added to my vendor list. And it 100% would've been Chasing Mozart.

PANDA WEDDING FILMS



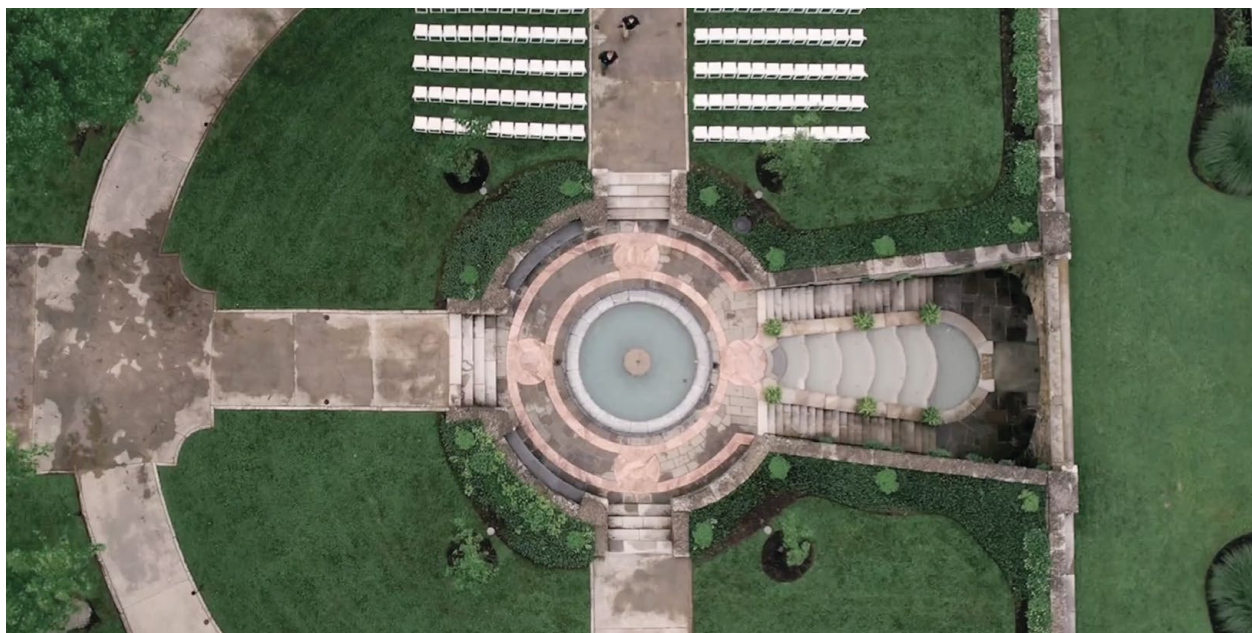
Warm and intimate, Panda Films crafts beautifully told stories. Their incredible earthy-toned edits may take months of waiting, but the end result is worth it!

OLD NORTH FILM



Based out of Chicago, but affordable to Ohio couples, Old North Films crafts stunning cinematic visuals while also keeping your story at the forefront.

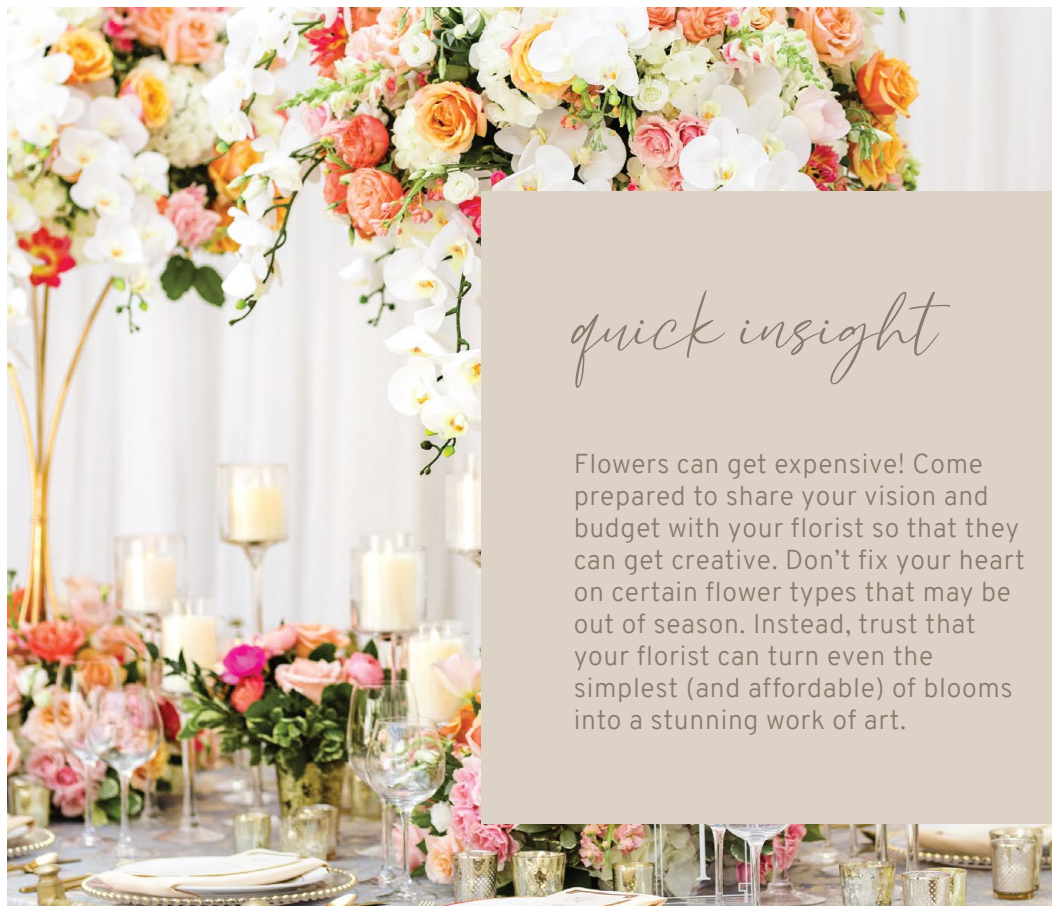
LIGHT PARADE FILMS



Susan's work with Light Parade Films has stood the test of time as it captures a clean and clear view of your day. It holds true to your wedding's natural pace and feel, while not getting caught up in trendy editing styles or fast-paced cuts. With a decade of experience, she's able to anticipate and capture every key moment.

FLORISTS

TOP CHOICE



quick insight

Flowers can get expensive! Come prepared to share your vision and budget with your florist so that they can get creative. Don't fix your heart on certain flower types that may be out of season. Instead, trust that your florist can turn even the simplest (and affordable) of blooms into a stunning work of art.

FLORAL V DESIGNS

Strengths:

Customization
Unique color palettes
Large Installations
Lush tablescapes

Flower crowns, table garland, sky-high floral installations, custom centerpiece structures. Floral V Designs is based out of Dayton, but reaches down into Cincinnati due to its masterful handling of custom looks. Share your dreams and inspiration with them, because if they don't already have the pieces to pull it off, they'll custom build them.

Cady's team pulls together dozens of weddings a year and can tackle even the biggest and most complex of projects - often going over and above what you've expected.

Plus, her team can preserve your bouquet afterwards in resin or a glass vessel to cherish as a forever keepsake.

THE BUDDING FLORIST



Ethereal, bespoke, light. Fine art finesse on every level. Expensive, but worth it for Ellie's truly artisanal touch that makes your florals look straight out of a Renaissance art gallery.

KATIE'S BLOOMS



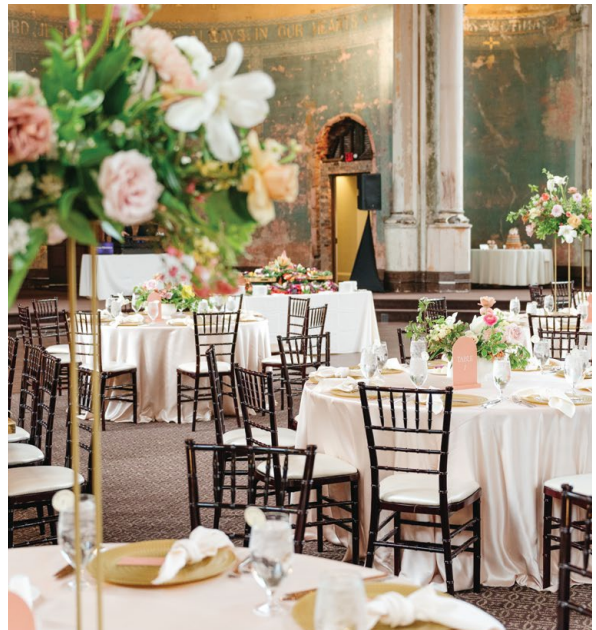
Lush, classic, romantic. Picture full, rich flowers layered with timeless greenery. Katie doesn't skip on the blooms, thus her name.

THISTLE & BLOOM



Creative, artisanal, editorial. Summer strives to build a unique world for each of her brides. Unique styling, vases and colorations build one-of-a-kind looks.

EMILY ROSE



Chic, garden, rich. Emily's arrangements show off dozens of unique blooms paired together for a rich and elevated look. This approach creates stunning bouquets that pull your vision together.

CATERING

TOP CHOICE

VONDERHAAR'S

Affordable, quality service and a long-standing reputation. Vonderhaar's has been through every venue, guest counts both big and small and crafted unique menus for every couple. Easily the most flexible and accommodating caterer around. Personally tested by yours truly for my wedding.

JEFF THOMAS

More exclusive and comprised of a close-knit team, Jeff Thomas's crew works to craft visually stunning meals that will have your guests snapping a quick pic before diving in. Great for the foodie bride and groom looking for an elevated dinner.

FUNKY'S

Focusing primarily in plated service, Funky's has worked hard to create a guest experience that features classic fare with unique twists. It's simply delicious and well-respected. Add a little bit of time to your timeline for their food service than they tell you, but it's worth it for their delicious meals.

McHALE'S

McHale's has been paired with some of the top-tier venues in the city and obviously they have the food service to maintain that luxury standard. Their team is an expert at quick service, tidying up as you eat and rocking late night snacks.

to know

Your venue may have a catering team that they either require or recommend. Trust their connections since each venue space has different kitchen setups. Utilizing a venue-recommended caterer is key to make sure that your food is served on time since they'll know their way around the venue's cooking space.

SWEET TREATS & CAKES

TOP CHOICE Icon Cake Cincinnati

Tres Belle Cakes

The BonBonerie

A Spoon Fulla Sugar

Maribelle Cakery

Marty's Waffles

Graeter's

HAIR & MAKEUP

TOP CHOICE



LET'S DO MAKEUP & HAIR

Strengths:

Soft
Natural
Romantic
Textural Looks



With artists spread across the Dayton and Cincinnati region, Let's Do Makeup & Hair's team can tackle any style you're looking for. Each stylist has an incredible base skillset that can handle even the largest bridal party's needs. They're champions at upholding your timeline so that this essential first step of your day doesn't throw off the day's flow.

With hair and makeup services available and on-location abilities, this is your one stop shop for your wedding look.

FLAWLESS



Natural, fresh and fantastic at soft tousled effortless looks. Flawless is the tried and true hair and makeup team in the area.

additional artists

I DO UPDO

CINCINNATI MAKEUP
COLLECTIVE

FLAWLESS

POUT STUDIO

M & M HAIR

JANAY BEAUTY

HALEY GARBER

REIGN



Glam it up! Although they don't do on-location work anymore and instead invite brides to their studio downtown, they're worth the drive. Model-worthy looks that show off on camera!

KATE SOWDER



Craving a more personal approach with a single artist? Hire Kate for her refined hair and makeup styling to rock your look. Kate is quick to elevate trendy looks into timeless works of art that will endure decades.

DECOR & FURNISHINGS

Linens, Chairs & Basics

ALL OCCASIONS
CAMARGO EVENTS
PRIME TIME

Vintage Decor

DAHLIA VINTAGE

Historic Car Rental

MARIO'S LIMOS

Custom Art Installations

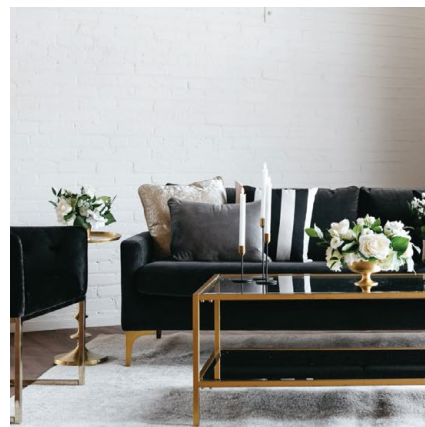
PAIGE MAKES

Luxury Sofas & Decor

TOP CHOICE

LOST & FOUND RENTALS

Features ceremony arches, lounge sets, mirrors, decor, rugs and a myriad of options for bringing your unique style to life. Their showroom will give you loads of inspiration as you explore new options.



WEDDING ATTIRE

TOP CHOICE



WHITE WISTERIA

Strengths:

Customer Care
Dress Variety
Try-On Experience



Each dress associate is as kind as they are knowledgeable in their efforts to find your perfect dress. Rene has curated her store to cover elegant looks with a modern twist all the way to textural, bohemian styles. The affordable accessories allow you to complete your look in store. You'll walk away feeling celebrated, cared for and confident in your choice.

wedding rings

HONEY DESIGNS

You'll glance at your ring daily so make sure it's one you love! Give your ring the care it deserves by collaborating with Chelsea on a custom design.



TOP CHOICE FOLCHI'S

Local and family owned, Folchi's can cut a custom suit in nearly any look and style you'd like. Add flair with different colors, patterns and linings that help your partner feel as elevated as you for their big day.

CARRIE KARIBO

Timeless, elegant and luxurious looks that feel like you could grace the cover of Vogue. You'll find loads of sleek, modern dresses with dramatic accents such as slits or bows that show off your own style, while keeping it classy.

BOCHIC BRIDAL BOUTIQUE

Similar in personality to White Wisteria, Manal's shop creates a warm environment where you feel heard and understood. With stunning large ball gowns and more timeless looks, you're sure to find gowns you'll love here!

RENEE GRACE

A bespoke experience from start to finish. Meander the showroom of dress designs and then get measured for your custom gown that you can blend ideas together to create. Truly a one-of-a-kind gown.

GENERATION TUX

Not keen on owning a suit? Rent one! Generation Tux is an affordable and efficient way to get both your groom and your groomsmen on board easily. Simply input a few core measurements and insights into it's algorithm to set up your profile and then lock in your suit choice.



STATIONARY & SIGNAGE

TOP CHOICE



BESS PAPER

Strengths:

Letterpress
Custom Watercolor
Venue Artwork
Art Installations



Kristen is an artist in the fullest sense of the word. Watercolor accents, custom venue maps and even larger than life paper flower installations can give you and your guests the Instagrammable moments they love. She's skilled at building out a full design set to accompany your day and all of it's touchpoints from signage to menus and more.

Visit her shop Bess Paper Goods
321 W Benson Street in the Reading Bridal District

J CHAR DESIGNS



Jessica is quick to look at a unique way to present your information to guests. Pair her innovative designs with her custom watercolors and you'll have art for life.

POEME



Kristen's design background gives her the upper hand in bold and impactful designs that don't shy away from your style. Visit her shop in Hyde Park to see for yourself!

SIGN & SEALED



Two Cincinnati designers teamed up to provide bride's with a modern spin on stationary. They'll brand your day with invites, signage, menus, programs and more for a chic guest experience.

HONEY BEE CREATIVE



Textural, raw edged cotton paper with calligraphy accents show off Morgan's signature style. Soft, dreamy color palette's and custom artwork add up to create a stunning work of art.



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recommendations, reach out via
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