



Tour de Cannon Beach

THE KATHRYN OSBORNE AND ARICK LOEW WEDDING

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On June 10, 2017, Kathryn Loew (Osborne), 28, wed Arick Loew, 34, were wed on the beach at Haystack Gardens with a reception following at the nearby Surfsand Resort-- all in beautiful Cannon Beach. Theirs was an intimate affair, with just under 50 guests. Officiate Patricia Durkin performed the outdoor ceremony—a leap of faith here at the North Coast so early in the year but very much in keeping with the couple’s love of the outdoors.

Cycling enthusiasts extraordinaire, this pair hails from Storm Lake, Iowa (population roughly 13,000). Both work in education--he in Elementary Special Education, and she teaching second grade. Not surprisingly, their work led to

their fateful meet up."At the time, we were both attending to Buena Vista University in Storm Lake (and had) many classes together," explains Kathryn.

The meeting

For her, it was love at first sight. "I didn't really believe in (that) before meeting him," Kathryn admits."Whenever, he walked into the room, the whole dynamic changed for me. He created simultaneously a sense of calm and a nervous chaos inside me." Admittedly shy, she waited until he approached her. "Although, I still pretended not to be too interested in him. Fortunately, he persisted; and by our final semester of college, we began dating," recalls the newlywed.

The proposal

When Arick proposed, following a bike event in the nearby town of Manning, he took his registration wrist band off and got down on one knee. As he slipped this makeshift ring on his ladylove’s finger, he professed his love for her—telling her how it made him a better person and he could think of no one better to spend his life with. Then, of course, he asked her to be his for evermore.

The couple decided to hire a wedding planner—Creative Celebrations in Portland. It helped too that Arick’s mother, Becky, was “a huge help”. “It was a smart move given that we were from out of town—less stressful, and everything came off like clockwork,” says Kathryn. >>