



Couple wed despite pandemic

SARAH AND RYAN DEMPSEY'S WEDDING

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Cannon Beach isn't home to Sarah and Ryan Dempsey but it still holds a special place in their hearts.

The couple took a Goonies tour in Astoria, then spent time in Cannon Beach during their six-year relationship.

When it came time to pick a location for their wedding, the couple felt there was nowhere else that would work as well.

"It has real significance for us," Sarah said.

The two joined in marriage, at an outside ceremony and in front of only a handful of family, on Sept. 19, 2020, in the midst of the coronavirus pandemic and just days after smoke cleared out from fires that raged through the area.

"Even though it was super stressful, it made the wedding more special," Sarah said. "Our family came together and it was such a joyous time. Everyone really needed that because it was such a rough year."

Ryan said that despite the coronavirus pandemic, the Cannon Beach location was absolutely perfect.

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