



# A Major Harmony

## *Song Selection Process Explained*

This document helps explain the order of your ceremony and when/where to place your musical selections. Please refer to this document as you are filling out your song choice form, as it will help you to cross reference during the decision making process.

### **INFORMATION ABOUT “CONTEMPORARY SONG STARTING POINT”:**

\* On your song choice form, you will see *Contemporary Song Starting Point*. For most contemporary songs, some are best recognized at the Chorus. Here is an explanation:

→ Within the song, “A Thousand Years” by Christina Perri, the Chorus includes the lyrics:

*“I have died everyday, waiting for you – Darling don’t be afraid, I will love you for a thousand years – I’ll love you for a thousand more...” (and so on)*

If you would prefer the song to start at the Chorus, please indicate “Chorus” in the *Contemporary Song Starting Point* section. If you would prefer the song to begin at the very beginning, please write “Beginning” in the *Contemporary Song Starting Point* section.

### **HOW TO SUBMIT YOUR FORM:**

1. Google Doc: A Google Doc will be created specifically for you. You will be able to access and edit this at any time during your decision making process.
2. Microsoft Word Doc: If Google Doc is not an option, a Microsoft Word Document will be shared for you to fill in your selections on. You are welcome to attach your completed document in an e-mail and send it via e-mail or postal mail.

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If you need any help or suggestions along the way, please don’t hesitate to ask Jessie. She is also more than happy to pick songs for you!

Good luck and happy song picking!

# Order of Ceremony/Selecting Songs – Explained

*Most ceremonies are structured as the order below. There may be some sections that do not apply to your ceremony. For any of the sections that do not apply, please indicate N/A next to the section.*

**A. PRELUDE MUSIC** 20 minutes of prelude is played while your guests are arriving.

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**B. PRE-PROCESSIONAL SONG** (*optional*) is for the seating of family members (Mothers, Grandmothers, etc.)

*→ Please list the order of entrance for your Pre-Processional on your Song Selection document.*

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**C. PROCESSIONAL SONG** marks the beginning of the ceremony. This song is specifically for all Wedding Party members, including the Officiant, the Groom and all wedding party members (Bridesmaids – Groomsmen – Flower Girl – Ring Bearer).

*→ Please list the order of entrance for your Processional on your Song Selection document.*

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**D. BRIDAL PROCESSIONAL SONG** is played when the bride walks in.

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**E. UNITY CANDLE, UNITY SAND, ROPE TYING, ETC. SONG** is played for approximately 30-60 seconds max.

*→ Each Unity Ceremony differs. Amount of song played is truly dependent on the amount of spoken words during the Unity Ceremony.*

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**F. RECESSIONAL MUSIC** is played immediately after you are introduced as Mr. and Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_

*→ This is a very important song in the ceremony. Make sure to pick a song that represents who you are as a joined couple ☺*