

nancy & heyward

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photography by Allegra's Studio



their story

Nancy Kwon (31 and an attorney) never would have guessed she'd marry the guy wearing the seersucker suit and bowtie during a mock oral argument at law school. Despite her teasing, Nancy and Thomas Heyward Carter III (33 and also an attorney) became friends. And though they didn't have a formal start to their romance, there was a watershed moment: While they were still students, Nancy suffered a running injury and had to stay in bed all weekend long. Heyward surprised her with a pizza and an armload of movies. "He knew the way to my heart," says Nancy. The couple dated for five years until Heyward proposed on a secluded beach in Costa Rica. For their wedding, they returned to their law school campus. —CC

the cake

Phalaenopsis orchids decorated the all-white cake to tie it in with the rest of the décor.

the centerpieces

White phalaenopsis orchids cascaded from tall vases, while tightly packed white roses filled the shorter containers. Votive candles and pinspot lighting added drama.

the bridesmaid looks

Sage green sashes added a subtle pop of color to the bridesmaids' strapless dresses. With lace tops and chiffon skirts, the knee-length styles were both flirtly and fun.

the welcome bags

Out-of-town guests received goodies in bags that matched the colors of the reception room. The floral logo and striped ribbons let guests know the wedding would be filled with Southern charm. >>



style notes

Nancy and Heyward took their cue from the already ornate reception room on Washington & Lee University's campus. They used only white flowers to let the blue walls and black-and-white dance floor stand out.



the first dance

The newlyweds hit the checkerboard dance floor to the upbeat—and slightly silly—Animal House version of “Shama Lama Ding Dong,” by Otis Day and the Knights.

the ceremony décor

To keep the focus on the church's built-in charm, the couple stuck with simple decorations, like this garden rose and lady's mantle wreath that hung on the chapel doors.



their ingredients

CEREMONY SITE Lee Chapel, Washington and Lee University, Lexington, VA, (540) 458-8400

RECEPTION SITE Evans Hall, Washington and Lee University, Lexington, VA, (540) 458-8400

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GOWN Kenneth Pool, Louise Blum, Houston, TX, (713) 622-5571

VEIL Custom-made, Louise Blum, Houston, TX, (713) 622-5571

HAIR AND MAKEUP Jennifer Skriloff, Elan On-Site Salon Services, Charlottesville, VA, (434) 990-1234

BRIDESMAID DRESSES Melissa Sweet, Priscilla of Boston, Houston, TX, (713) 526-1886

FORMALWEAR Ties: VineyardVines.com

STATIONERY Dauphine Press, Papercraze, Houston, TX, (713) 461-2730

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CEREMONY MUSIC Linden Trio, booked through Sam Hill Bands, Charlottesville, VA, (866) 726-4455

RECEPTION MUSIC The C. Barnes Project, booked through Sam Hill Bands, Charlottesville, VA, (866) 726-4455; Steve Miller, Thunder Music, Madison, VA, (540) 948-9099

CAKE Cakes Unlimited, Ruckersville, VA, (434) 985-8340

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