

## One of a Kind Ceremonies

\$600/ \$750 for a personalized Wedding Ceremony that can be religious or secular; the ceremony can be as long or as short as you wish!

A "One of a Kind" ceremony includes:

- \* A 1-1.5 hour planning meeting in downtown Chicago
- \* Phone conversations and email exchanges in response to drafts of the ceremony.
- \* Your names and the names of any children will be used throughout the ceremony
- \* Your choice of a Secular, Spiritual or Religious ceremony
- \* A Theme that can be seamlessly woven throughout the ceremony
- \* The inclusion of Cultural or Religious Elements/Traditions
- \* The inclusion of other languages
- \* Special mention of your children or deceased relatives
- \* A "Welcome" tailor-made to your guests
- \* A "Processional" that can be as creative or traditional as you wish
- \* Options for "The Giving Away" of Bride & Groom
- \* Options for "The Consent"
- \* Your choice of Readings and Readers
- \* A completely personalized "Address" based on your input (**ceremonies with this option are \$750**)
- \* Personal Vows (or love statements) or standard vows or both!
- \* One or two rituals of your choice which we can create from scratch or adapt from a standard ritual
- \* Your choice of the final "Blessing"
- \* A "Recessional" that can be as creative or traditional as you wish
- \* You get to see the first draft of the ceremony at least three weeks before your wedding
- \* Contact by phone and email as necessary

## Short & Sweet Ceremonies

\$450 for a standard Wedding Ceremony that can be religious, spiritual or secular. This option is for those who want a short ceremony that is heart-felt and personal but who want to be minimally involved in the planning process.

A "Short & Sweet" ceremony includes:

- \* Your names will be used throughout the ceremony
- \* Your choice of a secular, spiritual or religious ceremony
- \* Special mention of your children or deceased relatives
- \* You get to choose one reading from a list of suggested readings
- \* You can include a traditional ritual such as The Rose Ceremony, The Sand Ceremony, The Unity Candle or Jumping the Broom....
- \* Pre-set Welcome, Consent, Exchange of Rings, Final Blessing and

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- \* Standard Vows or Personal Vows -- your choice!
- \* You get to see a draft of the ceremony at least two weeks before your wedding
- \* Contact by phone and email as necessary.

## Wedding Ceremony Rehearsal

- \* No charge for rehearsals conducted 1-1.5 hours before the ceremony
- \*\$100 Monday through Thursday + travel costs/ parking, if any
- \*\$150 Fridays and Saturdays+ travel costs/parking, if any

## Photography Packages

<http://www.artfulphotographer.com>

If you have booked me as your officiant and would like professional portraits before or after your ceremony, or candids during your reception, I'm available! \$200 per hour; minimum of 1.5 hours. Package includes all images, high res, color-corrected and cropped as needed, delivered on a flash drive or DVD within a month of your wedding. Private online proofing and professional print ordering available.

## Bi-Lingual Weddings (English/Spanish, English/German)

**Antonio Illescas** is a Chicago-area high school teacher and talented interpreter. He has an extensive background in languages, including Spanish, his first language, and German. With a Bachelor's degree in German with a Spanish endorsement from NIU, as well as a Master's in Education from Concordia University, he is currently in the process of obtaining a Master's degree in Spanish Education from the University of Nebraska. He has also studied and lived abroad in Germany, Mexico, and Spain. Fee for translating "live" during the ceremony, in tandem with my officiating: \$100.00 Fees for translating the script into a formal document, for attending the rehearsal, for travel and parking would be extra.

## Relationship Coaching ( in person meeting or phone conversation)

\$125 per session; pre-paid package of 3 sessions= \$300 each. (Please note that these fees apply to couples at whose weddings I will be officiating).

## Travel Beyond 20 Miles from Downtown

Travel within a 20 mile radius of downtown Chicago (starting point, *The Art Institute*) is included in my fee; travel beyond 20 miles will be billed at \$1.50 per mile, both directions. For example, if the ceremony is to be held in Kildeer, IL and the distance from *The Art Institute* to the venue is 39 miles, my travel fee would be based on 38 miles (having subtracted 20 miles in each direction): \$57.00. Travel 100 miles beyond Chicago needs to be discussed on a case by case basis.

