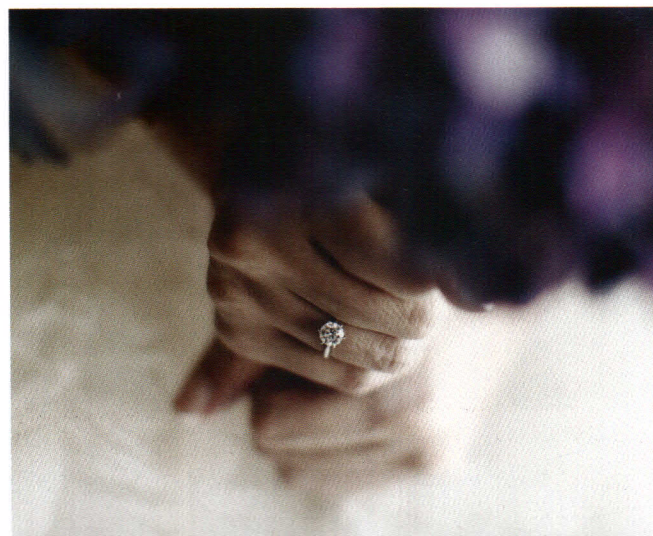




Sketches Of Love

From their first date to their wedding celebration, the love story of Ang Zhong Yang and Nancy Hu was a colourful affair filled with many light-hearted moments.

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Sentosa may be the isle of tranquility to most, but for Yang and Nancy, it's also the isle of love. The pair first met there eight years ago over a game of beach volleyball. They were introduced to each other by mutual friends and Yang was smitten right from the start – “Nancy’s dimples and bright eyes caught my attention, and that of my other male friends,” he says, tongue in cheek. However, it was only much later that he asked her on a date.

Eager to impress his date, Yang brought Nancy to The Substation to catch a play, a gesture that impressed Nancy. She recalls, “I thought that he was a cool and interesting guy to hang out with, as it’s quite rare for anyone to suggest watching a play on the first date.”

Indeed, theirs was nothing like an ordinary first date. In fact, it turned out to be something of a scene out of a rom-com. A fashion student at that time, Nancy shocked Yang with her unconventional dress sense. She turned up in an unusual jacket that made her look like what Yang calls a “walking comic book”, but he found her experimental style intriguing nonetheless.

Then during the play, it emerged that neither Yang nor Nancy could understand the storyline, but they both played along. “Neither of us knew that the other party was actually just pretending to be engrossed in the play, when in fact, we had absolutely no idea what was going on,” Yang recalls.

It was only at the end of the play that they both came clean and admitted that they were completely clueless about the plot, and the pair had a good laugh about it. This minor hiccup turned out to be a blessing in



NANCY & YANG WEDDING EVENTS

**Solemnisation, Tea Ceremony
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Singapore





disguise, as it was from then on that the ice was broken and their romance blossomed.

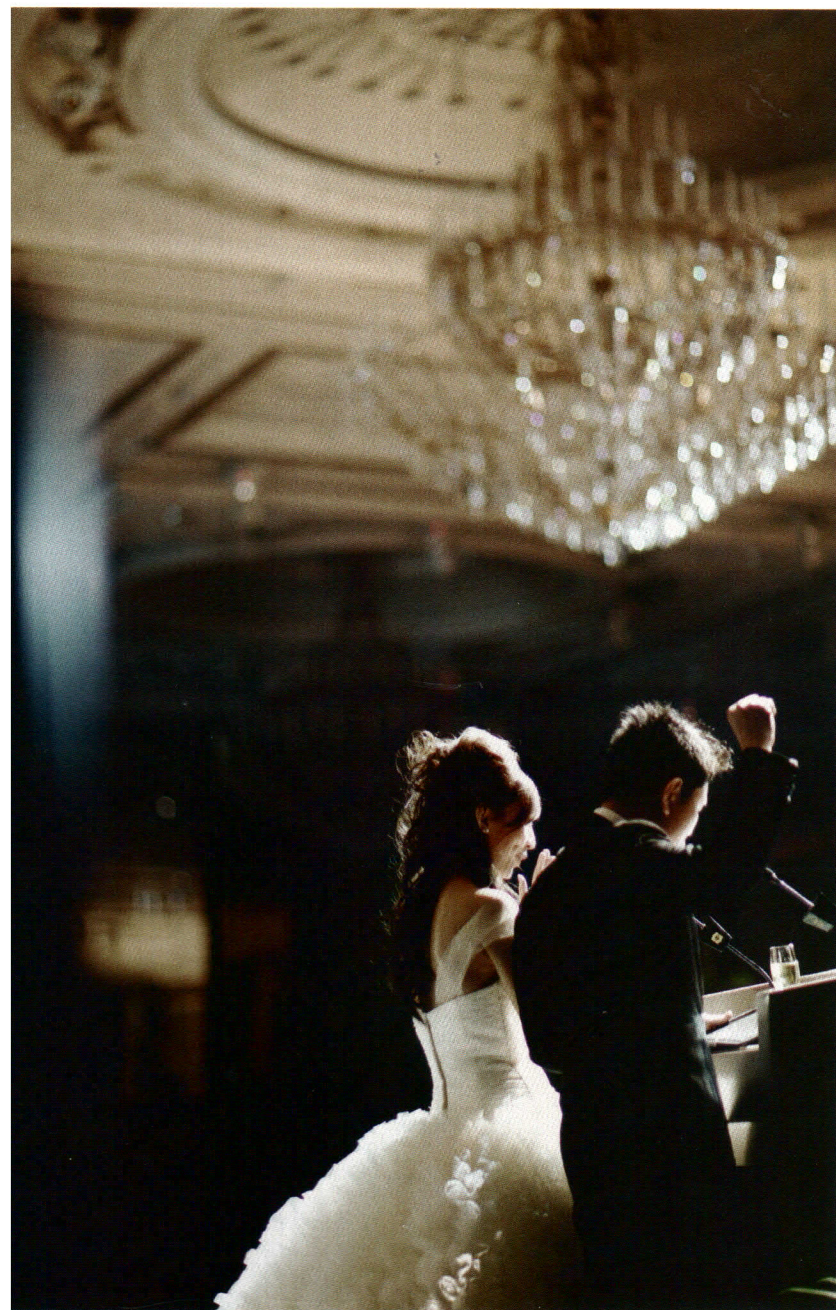
Yang proposed to Nancy on her birthday on August 19, 2011. He planned an outing to The Fairmont Singapore, where they enjoyed pampering spa treatments and indulged in fine cuisine. As they headed back to their room to rest that evening, Yang told Nancy that her gift was in the safe, and to heighten the suspense, he told her she would have to unlock the password herself to get it.

The night ended on a happy note when Nancy went teary-eyed upon seeing her “present” and said “yes” when Yang asked her to be his bride.

A year later, the couple was at Shangri-La Hotel where they chose to have all their wedding events on the same day. “We wanted a hassle-free wedding with minimum logistics. We didn’t want to tire out our helpers, guests and ourselves on our big day,” explains Yang.

As they are both in the creative industry, the couple had innovative ideas for their wedding celebration. They spared no effort in putting together the theme of a midsummer night. Green and purple was chosen for the colour scheme in the ballroom while the dramatic décor comprised bird sculptures, chandeliers and hydrangeas. Nancy also designed the wedding invitation card and other stationery herself.







Going to great lengths to make their wedding a fun occasion, the adventurous pair set up a few tables of casino games during the cocktail reception. Many guests were excited as they had never seen this at a wedding before. The top three players with the most number of chips also won prizes.

Making her graceful entrance into the ballroom on the arm of her father, Nancy was resplendent in her poufy white gown from Silhouette the Atelier, while Yang cut a dashing figure in a suit from the same boutique. Emotions filled the air as the couple shed tears of joy during the exchange of vows, moving their guests greatly. Even Yang's Chinese-speaking mother, who did not understand what they were saying, was seen drying her tears.

Proving just how loved the couple is, Yang's friend Wilson serenaded them with the song "You Belong to Me" by Sue Thompson. Another highlight of evening was the firing of two confetti guns at the final yum seng or toasting. Meanwhile, at least 10 photographers and videographers were recording these special moments. For Yang, who is a renowned local videographer, being the camera subject proved to be an interesting experience.

In a bid to show their support for the "Save the Sharks" campaign, the lovebirds served



their guests a guilt-free dinner by removing sharks' fin soup from the menu. The evening's cheerful vibe continued even at the after-party, where relatives of the bride and groom were seen jazzing up the dance floor with their nifty moves. Yang adds, "We were afraid that no one would join us in the after-party because we're from traditional families and our wedding was held on a weekday, but we were wrong. Some guests even took time off work the next day so they could have fun with us and we appreciate their enthusiasm." 11







WEDDING VENDORS

MAKEUP Dily Wang/Face Bistro

HAIRSTYLING Michael/Kim Robinson

PHOTOGRAPHY
Yu Hsin/Tinydot Photography;
David and team/LiveStudios Photography

WEDDING PLANNING Wedding Concierge

VIDEOGRAPHY Zech and team/Substance Films

FLOWERS CC Lee

WEDDING CAKE Crummb (wedding cake),
Plain Vanilla (cupcakes)

BRIDE'S OUTFITS
Silhouette the Atelier

GROOM'S OUTFITS
Silhouette the Atelier; Rossi

LIVE MUSIC
Compass Entertainment

WEDDING STATIONERY
Print Palette



