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FLOWERZ provided all of the floral for the wedding, including Sanam's enchanting bouquet consisting of cascading greenery and white anemones and roses.

Sanam's Rosa Clara guipure lace and embroidered organza dress and tulle veil were both from BLUSH BRIDAL.

Hair styling was provided by FILOMENA SALON SPA, while makeup application services were provided by BEAUTY BY AZADEH.

## An Enchanting New Year's Eve Wedding

Soroush wore an Ermenegildo Zegna tuxedo and accessorized with Hugo Boss cufflinks; both from HARRY ROSEN.

For Sanam Sanii and Soroush Karimzadeh, it was love at first sight. The two first met on a group trip to Osoyoos, British Columbia in 2013, while seated across from one another at dinner. However, it wasn't until one year later when they connected at a mutual friend's birthday party that their romance began. The moment they locked eyes at the party, both Sanam and Soroush knew "it was meant to be."

After one year of dating, the two decided to embark on a luxurious getaway to Spain and Portugal. It was here on the Iberian Peninsula that Soroush asked Sanam to marry him. Though their trip began in Spain, it wasn't until they reached Porto, Portugal, the couple's final stop and one of their favourite cities, that Soroush proposed. One night after dinner, Soroush asked Sanam to go for a walk on the beach. The two took a romantic moonlit stroll, and once they reached a secluded spot, Soroush got down on one knee and popped the question. With the infinite ocean in front of them and the sound of the waves surrounding them, "it could not have been a better moment or place," recalls Sanam.

The New Year's Eve wedding took place on December 31, 2016 in Vancouver, British Columbia. Sahar Sarband of MODERN MINT EVENTS INC. provided full-service planning and design assistance for one year prior. "Sahar worked closely with us from day one. We immediately connected with her and began our year-long planning journey. She was able to bring our vision to life and make the process easy for us," shares the bride. Sanam and Soroush welcomed the help of experienced professionals, saying "We got to be involved with the fun parts like the design and floral, while Sahar took care of the logistics. The best part of planning was not stressing."



The bridesmaids wore custom-made high-low gowns from YOUNG BRIDES' BOUTIQUE LTD.

# SANAM & SOROSH



Sanam wore royal blue suede Christian Louboutin pumps.

Soroush designed a custom engagement ring for Sanam at Cavalier Gastown, featuring a 2.2-carat round brilliant cut diamond on a delicate pavé band. Both wedding bands were also from CAVALIER GASTOWN.



PRECIOUS INVITATIONS created the ivory and gold custom-monogrammed wedding invitations



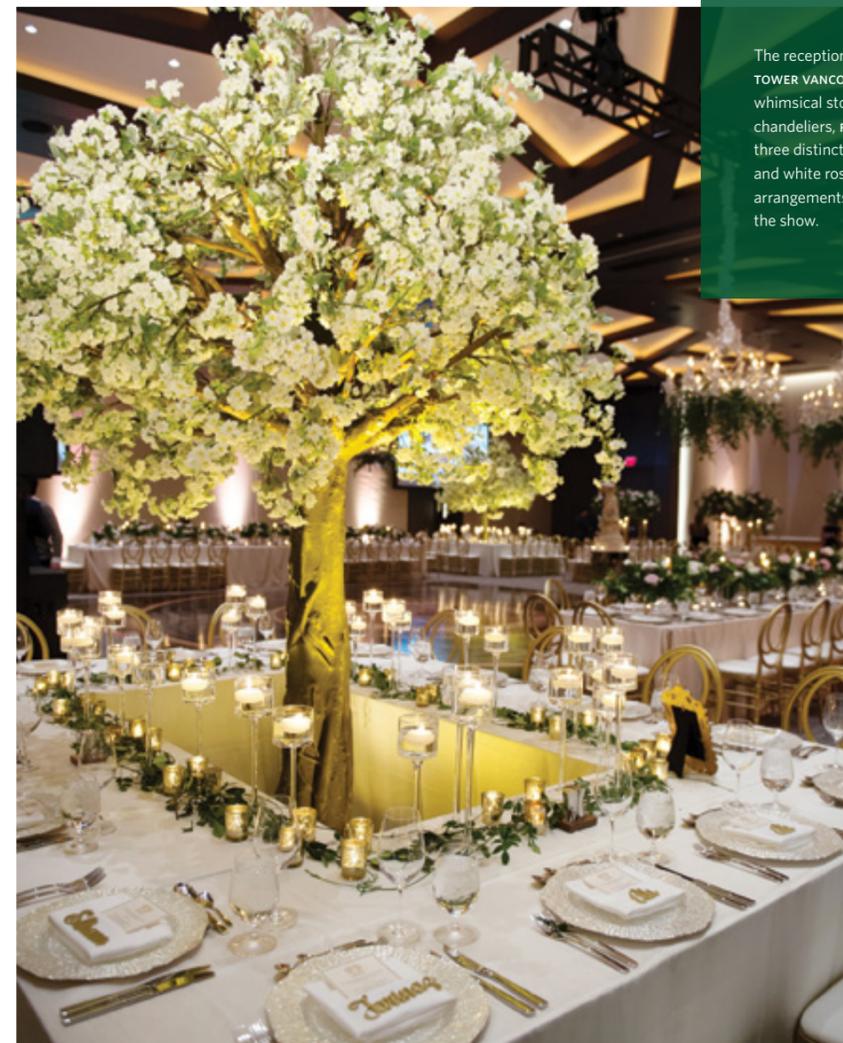
“Although it was an indoor wedding, it felt like you were right in the middle of a garden.” SANAM

The couple were married at the TRUMP INTERNATIONAL HOTEL & TOWER VANCOUVER, where they exchanged personalized vows in a ceremony officiated by Cory Dueck of YOUNG HIP & MARRIED. Sanam and Soroush said “I do” in an enchanting setting designed by KONCEPT EVENT DESIGN and FLOWERZ, which featured a custom-made Persian-inspired backdrop with two rectangular gold-framed boxwood panels that intended to serve as a standing sofreh aghd. Affixed to the lush green altar was a cascading pattern of fresh white hydrangea and pastel pink roses.



Greenery from Flowerz draped down from all seven chandeliers.

The reception was held in The Grand Ballroom of the TRUMP INTERNATIONAL HOTEL & TOWER VANCOUVER. Here, KONCEPT EVENT DESIGN created a Persian-meets-Western, whimsical storybook garden setting. In addition to greenery draped on all seven chandeliers, FLOWERZ accented each table with alternating floral arrangements of three distinct styles. The first were tall and lush, consisting of greenery and blush and white roses in gold candelabras. The second were short, full-bodied arrangements. And finally, it was the four white cherry blossom trees that stole the show.





Each place setting had a personalized place card from ETSY carved out of wood and painted gold, which also served as wedding favors.



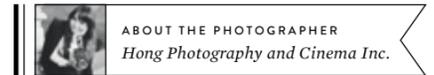
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In addition to the enchanted fairytale setting and traditional Persian elements, there was one other important theme of the day: New Year's Eve. The December 31st date was reflected with a clock motif in a few fun spots, including the custom dance floor and the cake. The six-tier ivory cake (with an edible clock) was prepared by the **TRUMP INTERNATIONAL HOTEL & TOWER VANCOUVER**. The elegant gold and black dance floor further echoed this New Year's Eve theme with a customized clock design created by **SIDEBUY SOLUTIONS INC.** and executed by **KONCEPT EVENT DESIGN**.

After a buffet-style dinner, guests helped themselves to a decadent dessert table with famous treats from all over the world, including Austrian Sachertorte, New York cheesecake, Japanese-style shortcake, and a French macaron tower and Mille crêpe cake, all of which was prepared by the Trump International Hotel & Tower Vancouver.

DJ Ali Fard, accompanied by an electronic percussionist and violinist, kept everyone on their feet until the wee hours of the morning. Dancing the night away and celebrating New Year's Eve with their closest friends and family was a major highlight for Sanam and Soroush, but the bride's very favourite moment of the day was the countdown. "We had Sahar arrange for a grand confetti cannon to go off at midnight which thrilled our guests. It was a moment everyone still talks about," shares Sanam.

For their honeymoon, Sanam and Soroush embarked on a romantic trip to southern Italy and Greece. The couple resides in Vancouver where Sanam is a project engineer and Soroush is the CEO of Novarc Technologies.



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