

Directions for completing:

## **BRIDAL PARTY INTRODUCTIONS**

✓ Please list the intros in the correct sequence of their entrance.

Please email this information to: [dennis@aperfectdj.com](mailto:dennis@aperfectdj.com) within a "Microsoft Word" document.



The tradition of "Bridal Party Introductions" is a very popular part of a wedding day. This is a powerful activity that should not be underestimated. The majority of your family and guests will not know many of the relationships you have developed over the years with your bridesmaids, groomsmen, Maid (or Matron) of Honor, Best Man, etc. The bridal Party Introductions start off the celebratory part of your reception. With bridal party introductions, if you can get your guests to laugh, cry, be surprised, turn their heads, etc. it is a great way to "loosen them up" and make a first impression to start off your reception.

Immediately following your ceremony your guests are relocated to the area where your reception will take place. Here, they will enjoy the "Cocktail Hour." Meanwhile, you (the bride and groom) will be accompanied with your bridal party to a separate location for photographs to make the best of everyone's time.

When photos have ended, it is then time for the BRIDAL PARTY INTRODUCTIONS. You have the choice of introducing your bridal party individually, as couples, all at once or not at all. This choice is part of you "personalizing" your event. Remember that parents and grandparents usually expect the bridal party to be announced because it is considered "traditional."

*Note: Some brides want their parents and grandparents introduced as well. One good suggestion when this is requested is to introduce your parents or grandparents using the music they used on their wedding day for their ceremony or "first dance." This song is guaranteed to bring back memories and emotions while setting the stage for the other intros.*

At *A Perfect DJ* we strongly suggest individual introductions for the bridal party. With our experience this gets your guests to interact and to laugh, cry and learn a bit of background on the people who mean so much to you. In other words; it "kicks off" the "partying" portion of your day. (*Our philosophy is to start your reception with a bang!*) These introductions can say "I love you," send a special message, poke fun at someone or their past, acknowledge their reputation or occupation or may just have music from their favorite recording artist behind them.

Here are some examples of actual paragraphs written by customers that were used for their bridal party introductions:

- He's the Groom's Brother who is 17 years old from Riverside, CA. He's a "girl crazy" high school student who just got his driver's license and first car. He is also an aspiring fireman, but is currently mooching off mom and dad. Let's give it up for... Groomsman: Bob Franklin!
- This is the Bride's oldest friend from Murrieta, CA. She works at Guitar Center and always has a drink in her hand because she is always looking for any excuse to party. How about a special welcome for... Bridesmaid: Jessica Turner!
- This next gentleman is the Bride's brother from Canyon Lake CA. He's a local Pawn Shop owner who's always ready to wheel and deal! He's also a "self-proclaimed lady's man" who loves Bud Light and Chargers Football. Let's say hello to... Groomsman: Jeff Hinckley!
- Here's the Bride's friend from Boise, ID. She's not quite your typical Mormon girl, but we'll leave that to your imagination. She's a single mother of a 5 year old daughter and always willing to give you a good laugh. Let's hear it for... Bridesmaid: Rebecca Reynolds!
- He's a friend of Bride and Groom and the whitest guy you'll ever see come "straight-outta" Compton, CA. He's a roofing foreman who enjoys long drunken walks on the beach. In addition, he spends his spare time fixing all the toys he enjoys breaking. Everyone welcome... Mike Jacobs!

- She's the bride's sister who has always been there for her through thick and thin from the days they fought like cats and dogs to these days when they help each other with life's challenges. Anita loves her sister more than anything in the world. Let's give a special, warm, loving hello to... Bridesmaid Taylor Williams!
- This is Chris' nephew; He likes long walks on the beach under the pale moonlight, teddy bears and a good caramel macchiato! Say hello to... Best Man: Mr. Jake Abbott!
- She's a teacher and an amazing mom of two whom the bride admires and looks up to. She's an amazing singer & should have tried out for "The X-Factor!" She's been the bride's best friend and will always be. Give it up for... Maid-of-Honor: Terri Stevens!
- And last but not least: These are the Bride's Nieces who are 16 & 13, both going on 25. They are also "boy crazy" teenagers who just love Justin Bieber. Put your hands together for... Flowergirls: Renee and Nicky!!!

It is recommended that you send this information to our office by email in a "Microsoft Word" document format. This makes it easy to edit, print, change and increase font, etc. Note: It is important that you list the introductions in the correct sequence of their entrance.

If you have problems writing the information just send information on the bridal party members that include:

- ✓ Name
- ✓ Bridal Party "role" and any info on relationship (*i.e.: brother, sister, friend, cousin, aunt, niece, etc.*)
- ✓ Their occupation
- ✓ Their hobbies
- ✓ What they are famous or infamous for
- ✓ Their spouse, children, pets, etc.

...and I will be happy to assist in writing the introduction for you.

Remember that in popular music today, it usually takes about 1:00 minute into the song before hearing the name of the song, the "hook" or the first chorus. However, an introduction can be over in less than 20 seconds (or take well over one minute!). At *A Perfect DJ* we utilize state-of-the-art equipment and decades of experience to produce music edits that are able to convey your thoughts to your audience in an instantly recognizable format. You will definitely get your point across whether you are conveying affection or just having fun with your bridal party and guests.

It is further recommended that you keep these introduction tracks a secret from the bridal party. This adds to the anticipation, surprise and makes for great wedding moments. (*Your photographer will have a field day and you will get animated photos that will last a lifetime!*) After all, that's what you want right? And aren't you paying a photographer thousands of dollars to get great, candid shots of your family, guests and bridal party? *\*\*\*Note: A Photographer captures the pictures that last a lifetime but a good DJ creates those moments!*

It may sound corny but as a DJ, if I can get people to dance, applaud, laugh, cry and do things they would not normally do, I have done my job. Remember, my goal is to have your event come together with emcee services and music to rival a Hollywood awards ceremony, television production or motion picture.

Please feel free to ask as many questions as you need regarding introduction edits or any other aspects of my coordination or services.

Thanks,

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