



Donita Rose



Joyce and Paul

Joyce and Monet

It's natural-looking. It's flawless.

# It's Airbrush Make-up

by MONET LU

Beauty experts will always be coming out with trends in bridal make-up every season, every year but the TIME-LESS look is fail-safe option for brides who want to look classically stunning.

Joyce has typical Filipino skintone, which is in the medium brown to fair shade, so on her I had to use my formula--medium oriental shades. The combination suited her natural complexion. This is actually my specialty--natural-looking flawlessness and for a natural beauty like Joyce, it totally hit the target!

When we were done with the airbrushed foundation, Joyce looked so fresh, dewy and naturally glowing, which was the goal.

For her lipstick, I used an earth tone shade topped with a light color gloss. I also opted for a light eye shade to complement her almond eyes.

For Joyce's hair, we had to sculpt it to perfectly match her face shape. We molded it loosely to match Joyce's carefree spirit.

In the end, we achieved a radiant and fresh-looking bridal look for Joyce. It suited her personality--simple and elegant, chic but relaxed. It was totally Joyce.

At times, it's a challenge for makeup artists to restrain themselves from going all-out in applying colors and styles on their brides.

Restraint and a mastery of the color wheel is very crucial. This is especially important when you are trying to cover blemishes and dark spots.

Of course not all brides are going to have porcelain skin like Donita Rose or Joyce Jimenez's glowing tan. But when a stylist knows what he or she is doing and with the right make-up implements, every bride can be the radiant bride she deserves to be.

I do highly recommend Velvet Spray. This is brush-free make-up application that sticks like second skin. With proper color blending, the make-up coats over skin imperfections and blemishes resulting in flawless, polished finish.

As it's sprayed on, the gentle foundation takes the color of the skin's natural pigmentation. That's why it looks so natural.

The Velvet Spray airbrush make-up also creates a flawless pixilated coverage that can remain fresh throughout the day.

What I really love about The Velvet Spray is that once the spray settles in, the face matches the color of the neckline, hands and ears. You can't achieve that with much success using ordinary make-up.

Besides seamless continuity, The Velvet Spray can also be used to contour and highlight any part of the face to add dimension. It also effectively conceals blemishes and it has the ability to uplift the face.

If you are a 2009 bride, please consider Velvet Spray. You will not regret it!  
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The timeless look is the natural look. It takes expert hands with aid of new technology to make one look like they don't have make-up on, even if of course they do.

When done properly, the effect makes for a naturally glowing bride.

Working with high-profile brides such as Donita Rose and more recently Joyce Jimenez, I've had to bring my A-game every time to make sure that these beautiful women, whose every move is watched and scrutinized by the public, live up to their celebrity status.

For Joyce, who tied the knot in August 2008 to Paul Ely Egbalci, I used a more modern technique called Velvet Spray Airbrush Make-Up.

First of all, let me say that Joyce may be one of the most relaxed and composed brides I've ever worked with. What more can a stylist ask for? A gorgeous bride who does not have the "bridezilla" complex is always a bonus.

Weeks prior to the wedding day, Joyce and I met for a consultation. Many brides take the consultation for granted and that's why on the day of the wedding, stress arises because of the lack of direction with the styling.

Joyce and I previously discussed how she wanted her hair and makeup done. She also described her dress which was especially designed for her by the fabulous Frederick Peralta.

For her look, she was specific about wanting the Grecian-Troy era-inspired glamour. It's southeast European chic with a carefree touch. We had an exchange of styling ideas and on her wedding day, we worked toward this goal.

We started with setting her hair and followed by the application of the Monet Salon Velvet Spray Airbrush Make-Up. It was Joyce's first-time to try Velvet Spray and she was tickled by the idea that it was being sprayed on instead of the regular make-up application.

## For Better or Worse

### How to keep your marriage blissful

by JOSEPH PIMENTEL  
AJPress

Few young engaged couples realize exactly how hard it is to make a marriage work. Young and in-love, many newly engaged couples believe that love will conquer all in their marriage. But realistically, that is not the case. Marriage takes a lot of hard work, patience and perseverance. Here are a few tips and advice from married couples to engaged couples about what to expect in married life.

**Marianne Villasenor**

You will have your shares of arguments with your spouse but never go to bed angry.

**Ronald and Tracy Gomez**

Compromise and communicate. Communication is a big plus. Once a month Tracy and I talk about where we are on the table financially, emotionally, and other issues.

**Ivy and Rodel Manalang**

No matter how busy life gets with work and children's schedules, find time to go on a date night at least every two weeks. It keeps the spark alive in the relationship.

**Nickee de Leon-Huld**

Always find time to have a chat with your spouse everyday, even if you have a very hectic schedule or if you

had a tiring day.

**Richard Narido**

Accept flaws. The decision to get married is also a decision to accept your spouse's flaws whatever they may be. You'll be living with that person 24 hours a day. Flaws will rise up sooner or later. The best way to prepare for it is to understand who that person is and to not build a false picture of that perfect dream spouse.

**Jherlyn Meneses**

Marriage is a lifelong commitment. You need to stick with your spouse no matter what especially through difficult times. It's easy to fall in love but sadly, it's hard to stay in love. You need to consistently work on that relationship, be committed to it and desire to stay old together.

**Mark Manguera**

Sacrifice. Sacrifice yourself for the other. There's time you have to give up some stuff food, time, etc for your spouse... sometime it's all about swallowing your pride.

**Julio and Jenny Ramos**

Freedom. You have to give each other room. Just because you're married, it doesn't mean you can't be able to do the things you used to. You can still go out with your friends but you just can't take advantage of it. Both you and your spouse need to have some freedom that's why I've been married for so long 14 years.

**Cynthia De Castro**

Marriage can be a tragedy or a sitcom. Most times, it's a little bit of both. You are part of a duo that writes the script. When you can, try to be the bigger person. Choose your battles with the greatest of care. Size down the ego to the size of a postage stamp. That way, you won't take offense so easily. It's not just about you now. Focus on the positive in your mate at all times and try to overlook the tiny irritants...I warn you it will be tons of hard work but all worth it. Take long walks together and tune out of the world's madness. Don't take yourself too seriously. Live a day at a time. As someone said, "...laugh often and much."

The secret to our marriage (30th year this year) is we have a love triangle with Jesus Christ as the third person. Everyday, we make time out to pray to Him for guidance, protection and provision and read the Bible, which is God's manual for living. And every Sunday, we go to church. It really is true that if you seek God first and His righteousness, all other things will be added to you as well. ☺

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# Kundirana

## GALA CONCERT 2009



KUNDIRANA. The name is a contraction of two Filipino terms, "kundiman" and "harana." The Kundirana is a group of junior and senior high school students from La Salle Greenhills in the Philippines who are involved in a singing ministry whose goal is to entertain by touching hearts and transforming lives. Having performed in Diamond Bar, California for the past ten years, they will be performing for the first time in Palos Verdes on April 26.

This group is composed of musically gifted young artists whose professionally choreographed performance consists of popular songs, that are both contemporary and inspirational.

At the heart of the Kundirana is a charitable outreach called Bahay Pagasa or House of Hope in the Philippines. Bahay Pagasa under the auspices of the Christian Brothers is home to young boys who, because of extreme poverty, are driven to the streets and into a life of crime. With the cooperation of the justice system, arrested juveniles are rehabilitated in a compound where they receive academic and skills training, morals and values formation, counseling and job placement. The model is the ideal alternative for young offenders who would otherwise be incarcerated with hardened criminals. It is the goal of the Christian Brothers to replicate this rehabilitative program in compounds all over the Philippines. While one is already successfully operating in Bacolod, another will be opened in Dasmariñas, Cavite in 2010, and a third project is already being planned in Antipolo. ■

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