



# Ronald and Qian Qian

Where two hearts connect...



**Qian Qian and Ronald** met in New York City on a trip with their respective families to an antiques auction. Originally, Qian Qian wanted to set up her roommate with Ronald, however ultimately it was she, whom Ronald had his heart set on all along.

"She was the one who proposed to me!" jokes Ronald, when asked how he proposed to Qian Qian. Qian Qian's version of events slightly differs, with the bride saying, "None of us got down on our knees as it all happened very naturally". The two families had been friends for a long time and finally decided it was time for Ronald and Qian Qian to tie the knot, after they had been dating for three years.

The big day took place on 27 November 2008. Over 250 guests gathered on the front lawn of Repulse Bay's The Verandah for the beautiful ceremony. Ronald, as well as his seven groomsmen, wore a smart, crisp white suit, while Qian Qian walked down the petal-laden aisle in a white gown designed by her friend and LA-based designer, Jenny Lee. The ceremony took place against the breathtaking Repulse Bay sea view, followed by an elegant lunch buffet.

The reception dinner was held later in the day at the ballroom of the Intercontinental Hotel, and was attended by a staggering 600 guests. A guest commented that this was most likely, "the first time so many antique dealers from around Asia were gathered under one roof." Guests were also privileged to have their photos taken against the unique backdrop of a picture of two lovebirds sitting on a branch, a well-known image from a Dynasty vase.

That evening, Ronald looked every inch the dashing groom in a Gucci suit. Qian Qian made two outfit changes during the night, slipping into custom-designed evening gowns made by a local Hong Kong tailor. The evening's entertainment included confetti canons and musical performances by gifted Juilliard-trained musicians, as well as a spellbinding show by well-known Grammy Award winning musician, Howard McCrary. ■



芊芊及Ronald於陪同自己父母到紐約的一次古董拍賣旅程中相遇。芊芊原本打算將自己的室友介紹給Ronald認識，但最終Ronald鍾情的卻是芊芊。

「是她先向我求婚的！」Ronald在被問及如何向女方求婚時打趣地說。芊芊的版本卻有些出入。她說：「我們誰也沒有跪下來向對方求婚，一切來得十分自然。」相方家庭素來相識，最終在兩人拍拖三年之後，決定是時候為一對璧人結下婚盟。

這個大日子定於2008年11月27日。超過250名賓客雲集於淺水灣前廊的The Verandah參與動人的婚禮。Ronald帶同七名男僮相穿上醒目乾淨的西白裝，而芊芊則身穿由洛杉磯設計師朋友Jenny Lee設計的白色長裙，徐徐步進鋪上花瓣的長廊。婚禮以淺水灣的攝人海景作佈景，隨後設精美自助午餐。

新人於當晚在州際酒店大禮堂舉行盛大晚宴，到場賓客超過六百人。更有賓客指出，這大概是首次有如此多來自亞洲的古董拍賣家聚首一堂。賓客更有幸以古董花瓶上的經典相思共棲枝頭圖畫，作為獨特的拍照背景。

當晚，Ronald在一身整潔的Gucci西裝下顯得瀟灑自如，而芊芊則一共換上兩襲本地設計師度身訂造的晚裝。除發放禮炮外，當晚的節目更包括茱莉亞音樂學院學生的音樂表演，以及著名的格林美大獎的得獎者Howard McCrary奏出動人樂曲。■