

MCRPA Member Spotlight

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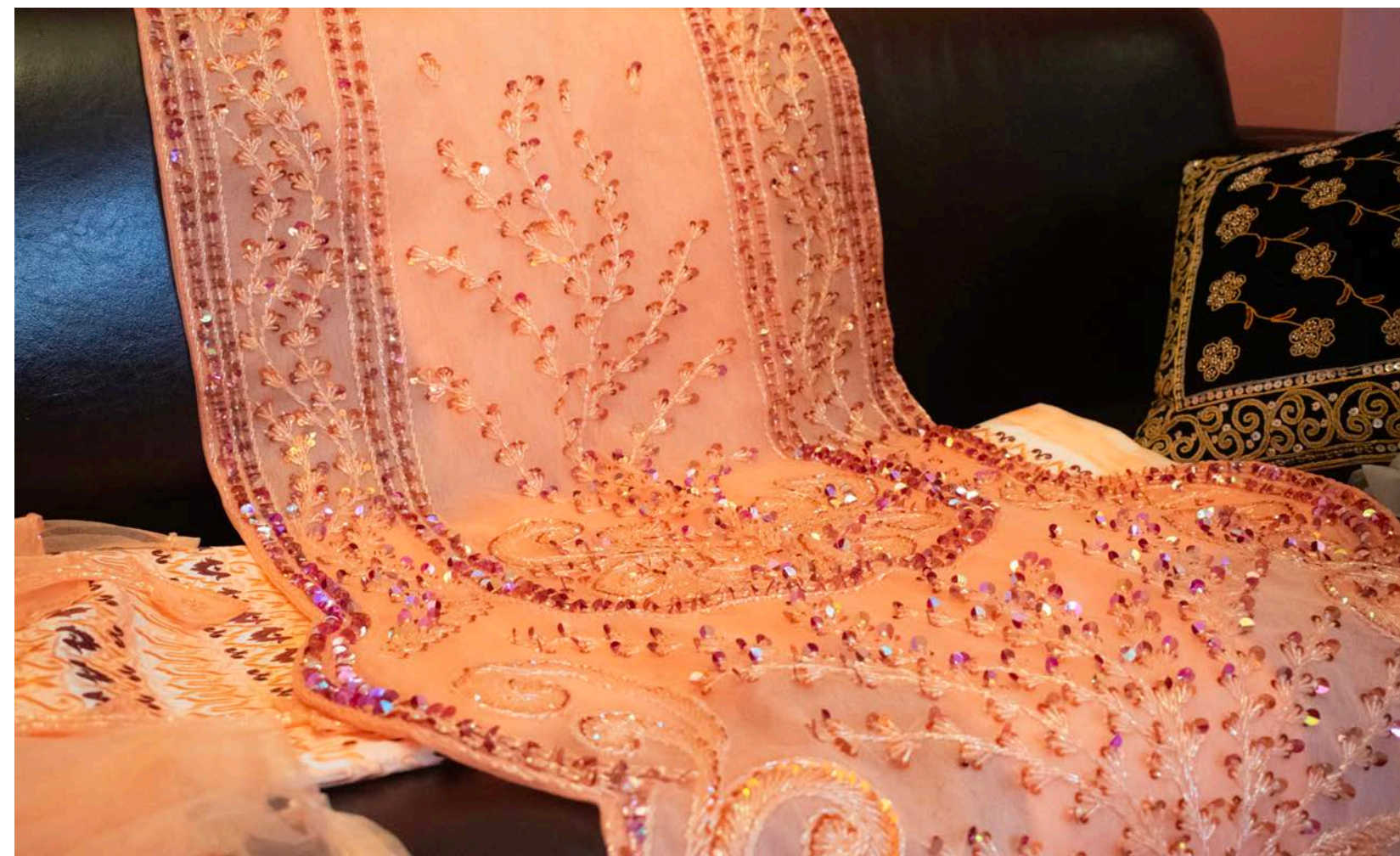
**Danielle Stescki &
Ar Kar Kyaw Win**
Two Weddings for a
Lifetime of Memories



Danielle Stescki has been working at MC since July 2013. However, her journey at MC began back in June 2008 when she started as an intern at MCTV while studying to earn her associate degree in television. Despite having already earned a bachelor's degree in journalism from Brazil, Danielle wanted to gain hands-on experience in the technical aspects of television production. She graduated in 2010, and after that, she was hired to work part-time as a casual temp, and she never left MC. Throughout all these years, Danielle also had a side gig that evolved with Voice of America Portuguese to Africa. Currently, she hosts and produces a weekly 10-minute segment called "Fala África." In this segment, she provides opportunities for young people to talk about their projects, release new songs from musicians, and feature book authors, among other things. It's been quite a journey, and she's grateful for the experiences and opportunities MC has provided her.

Ar Kar Kyaw Win has worked at MC since July 2011. He worked as a casual temp for the Rockville IT Media department for 2 years and became a full-time employee in July 2013. He moved to MCTV in April 2014. He was hired as TV Programming Director and an account manager under an Acquisition and Community Outreach Specialist. Ar Kar later managed broadcasting servers and databases as an MCTV Technology and Database Analyst around 2016. He has been working as a Technical Operations Manager since 2021.

Last year, Danielle and Ar Kar held their wedding celebrations, and it wasn't just a single wedding, but two weddings! In the U.S., they got married on November 10 and had a wonderful celebration with family and friends. It was a special day filled with love and joy. They got married at Seasons 52, a charming restaurant located in North Bethesda. The decision to choose this spot was based on their





love for the food and the wonderful ambiance the restaurant provided. It felt like the perfect place to celebrate with their friends and family.

In Brazil, they decided to have a second celebration on the day of Danielle's birthday, November 25th. It was like the best gift ever to celebrate their love on that day. They chose to have two celebrations because Ar Kar's parents wouldn't have been able to make it to Brazil, and many of their friends wouldn't have been able to attend either. The wedding took place in Foz do Iguaçu at Maison Bourbon, a truly gorgeous venue known for hosting weddings and parties. The reason they selected this venue was thanks to a suggestion from Danielle's aunt. She was responsible for decorating their wedding, and after considering some options, she recommended Maison Bourbon for its elegance and suitability for their special day. It turned out to be a fantastic choice, and they were delighted with how both of their wedding locations added their unique charm to their celebrations.





Since they wanted to share their special day with all their loved ones, they came up with the idea of having two celebrations, and it turned out to be a beautiful journey. They got married in Brazil because Danielle's family is from there, and it felt important to have a celebration in her home country as well. It was a truly memorable experience for them to have two weddings, each with its unique charm and significance.

One of the most unforgettable aspects of both weddings was the sheer enjoyment and fun they had. Celebrating with their loved ones made the entire experience incredibly special. Sharing their wedding ceremony with family and friends was truly priceless. Their presence added immense joy and significance to the celebrations. One standout moment was the dress that her Burmese family made for Danielle to wear on November 10. It was a unique and meaningful touch to their U.S. wedding. One of Danielle's best friends, Bárbara Ferreira Santos, officiated both the weddings in the U.S. and Brazil. It was a meaningful, fun, and unforgettable experience because she knew both of them so well.







Their first dance was a salsa, and they danced to the song “(I’ve Had) The Time of My Life,” which Danielle loved. It was a moment filled with love and rhythm that they’ll always cherish. Their guests in both the U.S. and Brazil appreciated the seating charts that were put together for both locations. It added a personal and thoughtful touch to the celebrations. Danielle’s decision to buy a second dress in Brazil so she could dance salsa with Ar Kar within 30 hours of their wedding ceremony was a delightful surprise. It allowed them to dance the night away in style.

Throughout both weddings, they never stopped smiling. The happiness and love in the air translated into countless pictures that captured the essence of the special day. These moments made their weddings truly unforgettable, filled with love, joy, and cherished memories.

