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Submission Name: Bratton & Hector

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Clients: Kiela Bratton & Durken E. Hector

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Story

How We Met Easter Sunday 2015, two hearts would fatefully meet under the spring's night sky. One heart was celebrating a friend's birthday, the other looking to unwind after a long work week at "The Society Restaurant" rooftop lounge in Silver Springs, Maryland.

Keila, originally from Oakland, California fashioned in a black & white striped dress, accentuated with a luxurious fuchsia Moroccan pashmina scarf was enjoying the birthday festivities; friends, music and libations. Although a fashion plate, it was Keila's "je ne sais quoi", beautiful eyes, and radiant smile which was a "no-brainer" for Hector to step right beside her. Hector of Haitian descent, raised in Queens, NY, composed, charming and with great cheekbones was welcomed, oh and the v-neck muscle shirt certainly helped.

Hector, a die-hard Dallas Cowboys fan and Keila, an international globetrotter, before they both realized the night had slipped away while conversing about football facts, her love of interior design, world travel, current events and Catholicism. As destiny would have it, they discovered they were both Catholic and share the same birthday, July 27th! After a flirty cat and mouse game on exchanging numbers, both Keila and Hector left knowing God led them to the rooftop retreat, both in awe of having met "the one". Hector recognizing the instant chemistry knew he had found a wife. The "silky and soulful" sounds of jazz pianist, Marcus Johnson at "The Half Note" lounge in Bowie, Maryland set the romantic scene for their third date where Keila knew her heart had found its home in Hector, the man she would marry. The jet-setting couple enjoys traveling, comedy shows, trendy new restaurants in DC and of course a good Dallas Cowboys game.

The Proposal - On a warm relaxing summer day in July, Hector invited family and friends from NYC, Philadelphia and the DMV area to their DC home for drinks, hors d'oeuvres, party word games and the music of jazz musician, Somi. On this day, July 17th, encircled by loved ones Hector danced with Keila to a love ballet by Pattie LaBelle and mid song dropped to one knee to ask Keila for her hand in marriage.

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