

RARE Photography FAQs

Q1. How far in advance do I need to book with you?

Most of my clients book 9-12 months in advance so unless your date is flexible, I would recommend booking 12 months in advance, especially during peak season (June – September).

Q2. How long have you been in business?

I started my business in 2005 and have been shooting weddings consistently since then.

Q3. How many weddings have you photographed?

I have photographed over 100 weddings as the primary photographer. I have also shot countless couples portrait sessions, as well as family shoots, 'Trash the Dress' shoots, boudoir shoots, etc.

Q4. How would you describe your photography style (e.g. traditional, photojournalistic)?

My photographic style is photojournalistic which means I attempt to capture the essence of your wedding via a candid 'behind the scenes' approach. This allows us to capture more relaxed natural photos than a traditional photography style would allow. Of course, I use a traditional approach for your formal portraits.

Q5. How would you describe your working style?

My working style is very discreet and respectful of the main focus (bride & groom). I believe the best photos are the unplanned and natural ones. However, I also have great organization for the photos that require my experience and planning to achieve.

Q6. What do you think distinguishes your work from that of other photographers?

What sets me apart from my competition is my combination of experience and price. I believe that my prices are extremely aggressive when compared to similar photographers with my level of experience and ability to deliver a breathtaking final product. There are cheaper photographers, but I am confident that my results justify the investment.

Q7. Do you have a portfolio I can review?

You can review my portfolio here: http://www.rarephotography.com/Gallery

You can also review many more photos on my Facebook page here:

https://www.facebook.com/pages/RARE-Photography-Kingston-Wedding-Photographers/64476360253

Q8. Are all of the images displayed online yours?

All of the photos displayed online were photographed by me or my assistant.

Q9. Are you shooting in digital or film format or both?

I shoot exclusively with digital SLR cameras.

Q10. What type of equipment do you use?

I use Nikon digital SLRs which are upgraded typically every 2-3 years.

Q11. Do you have backup equipment?

I always have a spare Nikon digital SLR onsite to quickly switch to if needed.

Q12. Do you shoot in color and black & white?

I shoot all photos in colour and select individual photos to be converted to black & white as desired. I avoid shooting in black & white as this eliminates the ability to convert it to colour.

Q13. Can I give you a list of specific shots we would like?

I find that working from a list limits my creative abilities, so I avoid it whenever possible. However, I will work from a list if requested, and I do encourage letting me know if there are one or more specific portraits you don't want to miss.

Q14. What information do you need from me before the wedding day?

Approximately 90 days before the wedding, I will contact you to get details of the wedding date. Prior to this, the only information I require is the bride & grooms name, wedding date, package selection and venue city.

Q15. Are you the photographer who will shoot my wedding?

All weddings are performed with Rob Eamer as the primary photographer.

Q16. If my wedding site is out of your area, do you charge a travel fee and what does that cover?

For weddings outside of the greater Kingston, ON area, a travel fee may apply. Please contact us to confirm the travel fees for your wedding or see: http://www.rarephotography.com/Travel.pdf

Q17. Are you photographing other events on the same day as mine?

Regardless which package you select, I do not book any other photographic events for the same date. In my experience, it is very common for the couple to decide at the last moment that they would like to upgrade their package and this would not be possible if I double-booked an event date.

Q18. How will you (and your assistant) be dressed?

My attire is business casual; similar to what your guests would wear to the church (dress pants, shirt, shoes, etc).

Q19. Is it okay if other people take photos while you're taking photos?

I encourage your guests to take as many photos as they would like. The only thing I ask is that guests ensure they are not interfering with my photography or attempting to duplicate the photos I am taking.

Q20. If my event lasts longer than expected, will you stay? Is there an additional charge?

The cost is \$100/hr for coverage beyond what is included in your package and this is due prior to receiving your final product.

Q21. Do you provide retouching, color adjustment or other corrective services?

All photos are adjusted for cropping, color correction and minor imperfections. Major photo alterations are not included.

Q22. Will you give me the negatives or the digital images, and is there a fee for that?

With all wedding packages, you receive a CD or DVD will all of the photos taken in both edited and original formats. This gives you full copyrights to the images.

Q23. When will I receive a written contract?

The contract is signed when the deposit is paid and the date is reserved. If you did not receive a copy of the contract at this time, please email us at info@rarephotography.com to obtain a copy.

Q24. Can I see a sample contract?

Definitely. I can email you a copy upon request.

Q25. How much of a deposit do you require and when is it due?

The deposit is \$200, and is due in order to reserve your wedding date.

Q26. When is the balance due and what forms of payment do you accept?

50% of the balance is due 90 days before the wedding, and the remaining balance can be paid via cash to morning of the wedding, or ten days before the wedding if paying by cheque.

Q27. What is your refund/cancellation policy?

Cancellations must be submitted in writing at least 90 days before the wedding. Once the event is cancelled, no further payments are due. However, any payments made prior to that request are forfeited.

Q28. How many pictures will you take?

The number of photos you can expect to receive is listed in each package. However, this does not mean I will stop shooting once I reach that number. I will continue to shoot as new photo opportunities arise.

Q29. How soon will I see my photos?

The online album will be ready to be viewed within 14-21 days of the event.

Q30. I have certain ideas I would like, can you do these?

I strive to make your wedding album a unique collection so any ideas or suggestions you would like to contribute only help us do that.

Q31. Can I see an example of an entire wedding?

Definitely, just send an email to info@rarephotography.com and I'll send you one.

Q32. What are your packages?

You can review the packages here: http://www.rarephotography.com/Packages

Q33. How long are these prices locked in for?

Prices are subject to change without notice. However, once you sign the agreement and pay the deposit, your price and package details will not change.

Q34. Tell me more about yourself:

You can read all about me here: http://www.rarephotography.com/robeamer