

PROFIL

- BORN IN: WALDVIERTEL, AUSTRIA
- LIVED IN: ENGLAND, L.A., BERLIN, VIENNA & A VINEYARD IN LOWER AUSTRIA
- OFFICIATES: EXCLUSIVE CEREMONIES IN GERMAN & ENGLISH – WORLDWIDE
- WORKS AS: FILMMAKER, MUSICIAN & WORDSMITH
- IS: COSMOPOLITAN, ELEGANT & EFFORTLESSLY CHARMING
- BUILDS: BRIDGES
 BETWEEN CULTURES,
 LANGUAGES & EMOTIONS
- FOUND IN: WHERE LOVE, ELEGANCE & THE UNEXPECTED MEET

ADVERTISING APPEARANCE

- PRESENTATION
- SOUND SAMPLE

CAROLA

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Meet Carola Viktoria - The Art of Bespoke Wedding Ceremonies I was born in the northern part of Austria, in the Waldviertel region, but staying in one place was never my style. At 15, I "migrated" to an

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With a background in hosting, <u>film directing</u>, and <u>international stage</u> <u>performance</u>, I bring a unique blend of storytelling, presence, and emotion to every ceremony.

Over the years, I have mastered the art of capturing emotions in words— words that move, uplift, and linger long after the last toast has been made, creating the perfect flow of suspense and connection. This isn't just a job for me—it's a calling.

I take the time to truly get to know my couples.—their quirks, their inside jokes, the little moments that define them. My gift lies in creating magical moments, turning nervousness into confidence, weaknesses into a superpower, making people shine. The elephant in the room becomes a golden dove. Together, we will create a ceremony that brings the unique essence of your story and relationship to life - authentic, deeply personal, and unforgettable. I pour my whole heart into every ceremony.

Exclusivity & Individuality

I believe in quality over quantity. To give each couple my full attention, I take on only a select number of weddings each year. The connection between us needs to feel right—mutual trust and enthusiasm are essential to creating something extraordinary together.

That's why I specialize in handpicked, exclusive weddings. Whether in a grand Tuscan villa or an intimate setting at your favorite place—the real magic is in you, and together, we'll make it shine.

Every ceremony is designed uniquely for the couple. My years of experience ensure a seamless flow, and I embrace the art of spontaneity when needed.

Wedding planning can feel overwhelming, but not with us —step by step, we'll refine every detail. I'll guide you step by step, making sure the process feels exciting, not exhausting. No question is too big or too small, and I'll make sure you'll never feel lost in the process. During our preparation meetings we will deep dive into your journey together, uncovering the values that truly connect you. For many couples (and for me as an officiant), this is one of the most touching and memorable parts of the process.

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The Perfect Ceremony—From Goosebumps to Laughter—Crafted Just For You

You can expect goosebumps, laughter, and maybe even a few happy tears. My goal is to create a ceremony that feels uniquely like you. I can seamlessly shift from heartfelt and profound to lighthearted and playful, tailoring the tone to match your vision.

A ceremony typically lasts between 40 to 60 minutes. Though trust me, when it's captivating, time flies.

Years of stage experience have given me a perfect sense of pacing, ensuring every moment holds meaning. I know exactly how to build a story arc, balancing emotional depth with lightness.

Clichés? Not in my vocabulary. Every word I choose is intentional, designed to resonate and stay with you.

You, as a couple, are always at the center. But your guests won't just witness the moment—they'll feel part of it. A wedding is not just about two people, it's about uniting families, friendships, and history in a beautiful, unforgettable way.

Even the smallest details, down to my outfit, are coordinated with you. I double-check everything and always have not just a Plan B, but a Plan C in my back pocket.

For me, a wedding is the grand crescendo of a love story. My job is to prepare everything so thoroughly that when the moment comes, you can simply let go and enjoy it.

Bilingual & Multicultural Ceremonies - Bridging Cultures, Uniting Hearts

Fluent in both German and English, I love collaborating on bilingual ceremonies that effortlessly weave between languages. Your guests will feel connected, no matter where they come from. I've also crafted German-French and German-Italian ceremonies, adapting each one with care and precision.

That Extra Spark -The Difference Lies in the Details

I bring a deep well of knowledge—spanning music, art, psychology, and intercultural storytelling—into every ceremony. Even my dog-training experience has come in handy (yes, I can seamlessly integrate your four-legged ring bearer -with style!).

I'm the kind of officiant who will rework song lyrics on the fly if they don't fit the mood, create a special ritual just for Grandma, or ensure that international guests receive a beautifully crafted translation of your vows.

Over the last five years, I've officiated unforgettable weddings worldwide with my agency "Strauß & Fliege," including high-profile events that made headlines. For high-profile or media-sensitive events, discretion and sensitivity are second nature to me.

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But sometimes, the smallest details make the biggest impact—helping a bride choose her headpiece, sharing calming techniques to ease prewedding jitters, or assisting in crafting the perfect vows.

Going the extra mile? That's just my baseline.

The First Step – Let's Create Something Unforgettable As someone who believes in the magic of love, I know that what belongs together will always find its way.

The first step? Let's meet for a non-binding conversation and let our instincts decide if we're the right fit.

Great things happen when the right people come together—let's take the first step and see where this journey leads.

I look forward to meeting you.

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