

## World Renown Designer Stephen Yearick Creates Historic Wedding Gown for Susan Jeske Ms. America 1997-Wedding Spring 2018

James M. Irvine and Susan R. Jeske have announced their engagement and will be married in the Spring of 2018 at the Irvine Ranch Historic Park

IRVINE, CA, UNITED STATES, June 2, 2018 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The CEO of the <u>Ms. America®</u> <u>Pageant</u>, <u>Susan R. Jeske</u> is having world renown designer <u>Stephen Yearick</u> create a historic wedding gown where she will be marrying James M. Irvine, the youngest grandson to the late James Irvine II who inherited about 115,000 acres in what is now Orange County, California.

A custom made Victorian wedding will have exquisite crystal beading, ornate detail and show-stopping rich embellishments. Fifty (50) people were involved in the creation of the gown which included Stephen Yearick and Leigh Price where it took one year to make - of which 180 days (6 months) were used for embroidery, stitching and artwork. Over 100 yards of 11 types of sophisticated fabrics were used.

More than 10,000 hand-beaded embellishments are sewn into the couture gown including sequins, pearls and 10 types of multifaceted Austrian Crystals. Swarovski Crystals were used in the bodice and on the sleeves of the gown. The gown weighs 35 pounds but has been strategically constructed so most of the weigh is carried by the hips.



Stephen Yearick Creates Historic Wedding Gown for Susan Jeske, Ms. America 1997( Gown Illustration By Melissa Nault Of Canada)

Like most brides, Susan decided to follow tradition and wear something old (antique lace of her gown came from Canada where her mother was born and raised); new (handmade embroidered fabric made in the United States); borrowed (Diamond Earrings); and blue (small blue bow given to her by her Maid of Honor Megan, and her sister Cathy was sewn into her waistband).

The couple plans to marry at the Irvine Ranch Historic Park (Jamboree Road and Irvine Boulevard) which is where the original Irvine family home was and is now the Katie Wheeler Library (named after James's Aunt). James was born and raised in the home as a young boy. He will be the last Irvine that lived in the mansion, who will be married there.

Susan was crowned Ms. America® 1997 at the Luxor Hotel in Las Vegas winning \$75,000 in cash and prizes. Some of her other titles include: Miss Orange County 1987, Miss Brea/Fullerton 1986 and Ms. California State 1996. In 1999 she purchased the Ms. America® Pageant and became its CEO. Since then she has grown the pageant into an institution that attracts high-achieving

women from all walks of life to vie for the title and put it to philanthropic use. In 1993, Jeske set the still unbroken World Record, published in the Guinness Book of Records, for singing the National Anthem at the most events in a 24-hour period. She has sung all over the world and for 7 United States Presidents. In 2004, Susan was honored with the Presidential Service Lifetime Achievement Award from the President of the United States for her lifetime contributions to charity and volunteerism. Throughout her career she has been a spokesperson for several Fortune 500 companies including Hyundai Motor America and traveled worldwide to launch a natural skin care line called True Elements for Nikken International. www.Susanleske.com.

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