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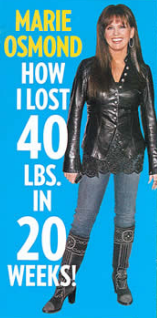
INSIDE HER ORDEAL

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Katharine McPhee's favorite memory of her Feb. 2 wedding to producer Nick Cokas? The moment when the doors to Beverly Hills Presbyterian Church swung open. "I had been holding on to my dad, trying not to cry," she says. "Then the doors opened, and I was blown away." To the tune of bagpipe music, McPhee walked down the aisle in a Manuel Mota gown as 305 guests—including *I Know What Boys Like* costar Rumer Willis and *Idol* pal Mandisa—looked on. "I was so emotional," McPhee says, "and moved by the whole thing."

By Monica Ritzo



ON THE AISLE

Junior bridesmaid Sienna Younger, 6, sprinkles pink and ivory rose petals.



THE WEDDING CAKE McPhee, 23, says she and Cokas, 42, "barely" got to eat any dessert, which included this four-tier confection from L.A.'s Hansen's Cakes (the top layer had buttercream frosting) and a chocolate fountain.

Photographs by JOE BUSSINK



KATHARINE MCPHEE & NICK COKAS
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"Her beauty and the beauty of the moment exceeded anything I could have ever dreamed of. It was incredible."

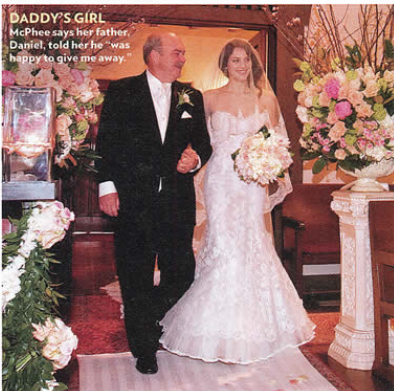
—Nick Cokas about marrying Katharine McPhee

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GETTING READY



"When I woke up I was so peaceful and calm," says McPhee, who picked up \$250,000 of borrowed Neil Lane jewels (see box) on her way to the church, then had her veil fitted as mom Pei-sha McPhee looked on (left). For her "something borrowed" and her "something blue," McPhee wore her mother's garter (above, center) under the "layers of lace" on her beaded, ivory Manuel Mota gown.



DADDY'S GIRL
McPhee says her father, Daniel, told her he "was happy to give me away."



LOVE SONGS
After Cokas serenaded her with Billy Joel's "She's Got a Way," McPhee paid tribute to her new husband with Natalie Cole's "Unforgettable."



THE BRIDAL PARTY

"I was so honored when Katharine asked me to be a bridesmaid," says Pickler, third from right (with McPhee's other close friends and family). The day "was so magical. It was like a fairy tale. I didn't want it to end."

THE DETAILS



THE RECEPTION Wedding planner Denise De Quevedo says she went for a "shabby chic" decor with rose and peony centerpieces.



THE EAR-RINGS

"They're gorgeous!" says McPhee of the 15-carat Neil Lane diamond chandelier earrings.



THE RINGS Designer Cindy Boudou created McPhee's three rings, which flank Cokas' James Elliott band.

THE TABLE SETTINGS
Guests received Swarovski crystal keepsakes.

