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CEREMONIES WITHIN YOUR CEREMONY

Celtic Ceremonies

Celtic Oathing Stone

Ancient Celts had a tradition that came to be known as “oathing the stone”. It was believed to connect the couple and their wedding with the wisdom of their ancestors; and more – that the best in nature of all time, places, and people would bless their future as they began new life together.

As Celts adopted Christianity they looked less to their ancestors and Mother Nature for marital blessing. But “Oathing the Stone” remained an ethnic tradition.

Modern couples are rediscovering this ancient way of setting their marriage “in stone”. Many avoid its spiritualist, now New Age, view of ancestry, so provide their own meaning, but value it as “something old, something new, something borrowed.” They are fitting it to their own beliefs and developing it into a new tradition. Rituals that stand the test of time do so because they touch the heart, mind, or soul of those who experience them.

We can tailor this ceremony to your situation. After the Bride and Groom have laid their hands on the stone and said their vows, we hope you’ll place it at the entrance to your home or in your garden as a daily reminder of the solidity of your love.

Bagpiper

According to Scottish tradition, bagpipers can assure you of a long and successful marriage. Certainly they will be memorable for your guests. You don’t need to be Scottish or Irish to enjoy the uniqueness of a piper at your wedding. If your family doesn’t contain Scotts, however, be prepared for kilt and sporran jokes