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Marina Bay Sands hits the sweet spot with themed wedding creations

Spectacular dessert displays wow guests at inaugural wedding showcase



From Left: Strawberry themed, Candy themed and Chocolate themed dessert tables

Singapore (18 July, 2012) – Marina Bay Sands held its first-ever wedding showcase event over the weekend, in conjunction with the Singapore International Jewelry Show 2012. Complete with a bridal lingerie fashion show, informative talks on wellness and choosing the right engagement ring, the show proved to be a perfect platform to showcase the creative talents of the new Executive Pastry Chef, Ryan Witcher, and his team of culinary magicians.

Over 200 couples were especially invited to the Weddings on the Bay 2012 Wedding Showcase, which incorporated the infinite possibilities of wedding options at Marina Bay Sands. Amidst the wedding banquet and solemnization set-ups, guests sampled exquisite canapés including "Ocha" Smoked Salmon with Cocoa-cauliflower Crumble and Japanese Kare infused Tuna with Kabayaki Crème.

However, the *pièce de résistance* was the secret dessert room that was unveiled to guests at 4pm. Couples gasped in amazement as they lay their eyes on the dessert wonderland that awaited them. In the center of the room, a whimsical candy themed display featured towering glass pillars of homemade marshmallows, pastel colored meringues, rainbows of jelly beans and other candies reminiscent of childhood.





From Left: Chocolate dipped strawberries, White Chocolate Panna Cotta with Pineapple Strawberry, Milk Chocolate-Passion Fruit Cones, Strawberry Shortcake.

Over at the chocolate themed display, Chocolate Salted Caramel Tarts nestled among carefully assembled armies of Milk-Chocolate Passion Fruit Cones, towers of melt-in-yourmouth *macarons* and hand dipped chocolate-covered strawberries in a variety of designs. The strawberry themed display was just as breathtaking, with cleverly deconstructed Strawberry Shortcake and blush-colored sweet and savory Strawberry-Basil Truffle Pops. Chandeliers of ribbons and candles hanging down from the ceiling added an ethereal glow to the tantalizing sweets below.

Executive Pastry Chef Ryan Witcher said of his creations: "We really wanted to create a memorable experience that people could only have dreamt of- a whimsical wonderland of innovative, yet approachable desserts. The dessert display should be a work of art that not only compliments the wedding guest's experience, but also really takes their breath away. It should be a feast for the senses."

Chef Witcher's dessert masterpiece certainly proved a hit with wedding couples, seeing a record-breaking 91 couples signing up on the day of the showcase to hold their upcoming wedding events at Marina Bay Sands. Couples interested in making wedding enquiries can contact the Marina Bay Sands weddings team via <u>celebrations@marinabaysands.com</u>.

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