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Neelam Chand  
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# REAL WEDDINGS

Five city & mountain celebrations



BOLLYWOOD MEETS THE MOUNTAINS

# Neelam Chand & Shibu Basuthakur

May 19–21, 2016



**LIVE IN** Millcreek **OCCUPATIONS** She's a communications director for diversity at the University of Utah; he's a product manager at Pluralsight **HOW THEY MET** Through a mutual friend. They started communicating via email, then on the phone, and eventually he flew from Phoenix, Arizona, to take her on their first date in Park City. **HOW THEY GOT ENGAGED** He first told her he loved her on a rooftop in NYC. About a year later, he got down on one knee and proposed on a rooftop in Portland with music, flowers, and Champagne. **WEDDING STYLE** Traditional Indian wedding with three days of events including a Bollywood-inspired Mehndi night with henna, food, dancing, and a flash mob; the Baraat (groom's processional with drums and danc-

**AL ELEMENTS** They had a Ganesh Puja (prayer) to bless both families a few days before the ceremony. The bride wore multiple saris in yellow, red, and blue. The groom rode in on a convertible Mustang instead of a traditional horse for the Baraat; it was a perfect way to mix tradition with modern flare. **FAVORITE CEREMONY MOMENT** The bride's brothers carried her out to the Mandap (altar) in a traditional carriage handmade by her cousin **MENU** Eggplant and roasted pork belly and lobster fritters, and pan-roasted salmon with parsnip purée **DRINKS** Plum-Basil Gin Fizz and Cucumber-Bourbon Mule **DESSERT** Henna-decorated cake, green tea jasmine macarons, dulce de leche mini cheesecakes, Oreo chocolate mousse, mango berry fruit tarts, mini churros with caramel dipping sauce





During the reception we surprised our families with a choreographed Bollywood dance. Everyone was blown away because they know Shibu is not a dancer. He proved them all wrong

—NEELAM

## VENDOR LIST

**Ceremony, Reception, Caterer & Design** Montage Deer Valley  
**Wedding Planner** Emmily Jones of Gals & Glam  
**Florist** Karley Parker of Scenemakers  
**Photographer** Kate Osborne Photography  
**Videographer** Ryan Hinman Films  
**Officiant** Hindu Pandit Satish Kumar of Ganesha Hindu Temple of Utah  
**Paper Goods** VivahCelebrations.com  
**Rings** Tacori  
**Gowns** Sabyasachi-inspired from Sunny's Bridal, Vancouver, BC  
**Alterations** D'Antii  
**Bridesmaids' Dresses** Vandana Sethi from exclusively.com  
**Makeup** Julia Vinha and Linda Huynh  
**Hair** Janelle Ingram  
**Groom's & Groomsmen's Formal Wear** Sunny's Bridal, Vancouver, BC  
**DJ** DJ Runaway, Torrance, California  
**Rentals** Modern Display  
**Favors** Kate Aspen Indian Jewel Henna Votives and gold elephant place-card holders