

PRESTON BAILEY

Preston Bailey's event designs have been referred to as "art installations" His design objective is to create installations that give his clients an immersive experience in the modified space. Preston has tested the limits and expanded the possibilities of event design.

Preston began his career in 1980, He had no formal training, after several years of teaching himself and building his reputation not only as a brilliant designer, but also for delivering exceptional service to his well-heeled clientele, Preston had the good fortune of meeting Joan Rivers, who has been his mentor & angel ever since. Joan asked him to design and produce her daughter Melissa's wedding. This extravaganza exploded Preston onto the press circuit and celebrity event designer world.

After 28 years in an ever changing industry, Preston Bailey has become especially renowned for his ability to completely transform raw, ordinary spaces into sumptuous, theatrical environments, translating his clients' visions into awe-inspiring reality. Preston's one-of-a-kind events, which include the most extravagant weddings and galas for Royal families across the globe, have earned him a reputation as the world's preeminent event designer. He has attracted such clients as Donald Trump, Oprah Winfrey, Uma Thurman, Donna Karan, Liza Minnelli, Matt Lauer, Catherine Zeta-Jones and Michael Douglas, Laurence Fishburne, Emmitt Smith, and Bill Cosby.

George Bernard Shaw once said: "You see things and say, 'Why?' But I dream things that never were and say, 'Why not?'" That quote embodies how we approach every event. With the advent of new technologies in areas such as lighting and tent design, and image projection, we are no longer held to the limits of our imagination; the impossible is now possible. From a tree that encompasses an entire ballroom to twenty-foot-tall floral peacock sculptures, anything we can dream we can create.

Preston has written three bestselling books, Design for Entertaining, Fantasy Weddings, and his latest, Inspirations. He is currently working on his fourth book, Celebrations, scheduled to be released by Rizzoli in the Spring 2009.

In addition to his many public speaking engagements, "Preston Bailey, Mr. Fabulous" which aired on the oh! Oxygen network and was the network's highest rated program to date. Preston's numerous television appearances include The Oprah Winfrey Show, Martha Stewart, Entertainment Tonight, Access Hollywood, Extra, CBS's The Early Show, and The Today Show.

Preston has been featured in Vogue, Town & Country, Elle Décor, Harpers Bazaar, InStyle, Martha Stewart, NY Times, NY Post, NY Daily News, People, Us Weekly, and Hello among many other national and international publications.