Thank you for considering

The Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art
to host your event!

We're proud to be recognized nationally and internationally as one of America’s finest art museums and the most distinguished event venue in Kansas City. As a non profit 501(c)(3), hosting an event here is a unique way to support our mission and keep general admission free for everyone.
Wedding Ceremonies

Host your wedding at the most distinguished venue in the city surrounded by exquisite works of art.

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**Kirkwood Hall**

As the ceremonial heart of the Nelson-Atkins, weddings and receptions are typically hosted in Kirkwood Hall, a grand and beautiful space flanked by twelve massive columns of black and white marble. This vast room is approximately forty feet high with limestone walls adorned with original tapestries from the museum’s superior collection.

**Capacity:**
- Ceremony 300
- Cocktails 1,000
- Dinner 450

*Used in conjunction with Rozzelle Court.*

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West Terrace

Exchange vows under a canopy of trees as guests gather on this intimate terrace.

For those looking to host an outdoor wedding ceremony, the lush grounds and the sweeping views of The Donald J. Hall Sculpture Park are a wonderful backdrop.

Capacity:
Seated 300

Indoor weather backup is required.
Additional furniture rentals may be required.
**Tapis Vert**

Make a grand entrance in front of the historic Nelson-Atkins building surrounded by sprawling views of our 22-acre lawn.

**Capacity:**
Seated 500

*Indoor weather backup is required.*

*Additional furniture rentals may be required.*
Considerations

Wedding ceremonies are only available when renting the museum for a wedding reception as well.

• The Wedding Ceremony fee is $3,500.

• The following is included in the ceremony fee:
  - Rental space on the West Terrace, Tapis Vert, or Kirkwood Hall.
  - Rental for post ceremony gathering on either the East Sculpture Terrace, or Bloch Lobby. Additional rental fees will apply if using Rozzelle Court.
  - Museum staff services
  - Two staging areas

• Not included in the ceremony fee:
  - Décor and specialty items
  - Chairs for the ceremony
  - Musicians
  - Tenting; circumstantial based on location, size, and museum operations
  - Reception costs (including venue rental, food & beverage, and all other associated expenses)

• Ceremonies and receptions are hosted on Saturdays after 6 p.m. Other requests are circumstantial.

• We recommend the bridal party dress off site, as museum staging areas do not have restrooms, mirrors, etc.

• A Wedding Coordinator is strongly recommended and a day of contact who is not part of the wedding party to manage the details on the day of your event.
Wedding Receptions

Celebrating in the iconic Nelson-Atkins Building or the modern Bloch Building will inspire awe and elegance on your special day.
Rozzelle Court

This Italian Style courtyard is ninety feet square and surrounded by a two story arcade. Featuring the oldest known fountain in Kansas City, Rozzelle Court is a romantic space for any dinner or reception.

Capacity:
Cocktails 250 | Dinner 200

Ideal for cocktails, dinners, and receptions.

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**Bloch Lobby**

Dramatic and contemporary, the lobby in the Bloch Building evokes both grandeur and grace. Walls of windows offer views to the Walter De Maria reflecting pool and the north façade of the Nelson-Atkins building.

**Capacity:**
Cocktails 500

*Ideal for cocktails and after-dinner dancing.*
**East Sculpture Terrace**

Mingle among sculptures, under a canopy of trees, on this private terrace nestled between the Nelson-Atkins building and the Bloch Building.

**Capacity:**
Reception 150

*Ideal for cocktails.*

*Additional furniture rentals may be required.*

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Receptions without a ceremony are available.

• Rental fees starting from $17,500.

• Museum members of the Society of Fellows (Collector’s Circle and above) receive a 50% discount on rental rates. Ask how you can join and save!

• The following is included in the reception rental fee:
  • Use of space for up to four hours. Extended usage is subject to additional charges.
  • Museum staff services
  • Existing tables with white linens and chairs in Rozzelle Court
  • Nelson-Atkins china and glassware for up to 300 guests

• Not included in the reception rental fee:
  • Food & beverage; see catering menus for packages and pricing
  • Décor and specialty items
  • Musicians
  • Tables, chairs, and linens; additional furniture rentals may be required for outdoor use
  • China and glassware for over 300 guests, or specialty rentals

• Ceremonies and receptions are hosted on Saturdays after 6 p.m.

• Midnight is the latest end time for any event.

• Rozzelle Court Restaurant is the exclusive caterer for all museum events.

• Wedding cakes may be provided by an outside vendor.

• The museum does not charge tax or gratuity; a service charge will be applied to all food & beverage items.

• Parking is $14 per vehicle. You may choose to pay for attendees to park and the total will be included in the final invoice.

• An indoor weather backup is required for any outdoor event.

• A deposit, equivalent to the rental fee, is due when the contract is signed.

• A Certificate of Insurance is required for general liability up to one million dollars with the museum listed as an additional insured.
Sample Cost Estimate

Cost Estimate based on 200 people

I. Museum Rental:  [$23,000 less 50% discount / $11,500.00]
   - $3,500.00 Wedding ceremony & post ceremony gathering fee in Bloch Lobby or East Sculpture Terrace
   - $17,500.00 Four hour rental Rozzelle Court and Kirkwood Hall
   - $2,000.00 One additional hour
   50% discount applied upon joining Society of Fellows @ Collector’s Circle Level ($3,000)

II. Food Service:  [$47,520.00]
   - Wedding: Platinum Package [$198 per person]
   - Full Premium Bar for up to 5 hours
     - Coke, Diet Coke, Sprite, Mineral Water
     - Club Soda, Tonic Water, Cranberry Juice, Orange Juice
     - Imported & Domestic Bottled Beer + Meiomi Pinot Noir & Foris Pinot Gris
     - Sapphire Gin, Bacardi Rum, Buffalo Trace Bourbon, Dewar’s Scotch, Skyy Vodka, Vermouth
   - Hors D’oeuvres (Select Four)
     - Tomato Artichoke Feta Crostini
     - Polenta Tot with Mushroom Fricassee
     - Wild Mushroom and Boursin Cheese Phyllo Cup
     - Smoke Salmon Dill Cream Cheese Fried Caper Crostini
   - Served Dinner (One Salad, One Entrée)
     - Caramelized Brie, Grilled Fruit of the Season, Micro Arugula, Balsamic Reduction, Crisp Prosciutto, Walnut Dust, Herb Grissini
     - Grilled Petit Beef Filet, Porcini Demi, Diver Scallops, Smoky Hollandaise, Herb Potato Croquette, Broccoli Rabe
     - Served with French baked rolls, coffee service, hot tea, brewed iced tea, red & white wine
     - Wedding Cake cut and served by Rozzelle Court
   - Vegetarian entrée:
     - Portabella Mushroom Stack: mozzarella & balsamic glaze
   - Subtotal: $39,600.00
   - 20% food and beverage service fee: $7,920.00

III. Special Events Equipment:  [$50.00]
   - Nelson-Atkins Cake Table at $50.00
   - Florist or wedding planner to order rental items

IV. Parking Garage Fee:  [$280.00]
   - $14.00 for non-members to park in the museum garage (estimated 20 cars)

TOTAL COST ESTIMATE:   $59,350.00

Note: This is an estimate only
This is a sample menu. Other menu options are available. Prices vary.
For more information about the museum, rental spaces, event packages, and pricing please visit our website at: https://Nelson-Atkins.org/event-rental

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