



HERMITAGE  
museum & gardens



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Located on the shore of the Lafayette River in Norfolk, Virginia, the Hermitage Museum & Gardens is the ideal location for your outdoor wedding and reception. The beauty of the gardens and stunning waterfront views will enchant your guests and ensure that your special event is unforgettable.

- A Water Tower
- B Tennis Court
- C Grotto
- D East Garden
- E Millstone Allee
- F Central Lawn
- G Shoreline
- H Rose Garden
- I Parking





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## AREAS FOR YOUR *event*

Each of our unique spaces can add something special to your ceremony or reception. Whether it's the lush, colorful blooms of the Rose Garden or the sparkling waterfront views from the Central Lawn or Shoreline, each space sets the tone for the wedding you've been dreaming of.

### ^ **MILLSTONE ALLEE**

### < **GROTTO**

An archway to the northeast corner of the back lawn leads to the Grotto, which includes artist Patrick Dougherty's outdoor 'Stickwork' sculpture, a quiet cherub and dolphin fountain. A large, live oak tree provides cool shade, even on the hottest summer days.



A full-page photograph of a bride and groom in a garden. The bride is wearing a white, strapless, tiered wedding dress with a gold belt and holding a bouquet of red and white roses. The groom is wearing a dark grey suit and a white shirt with a bow tie. They are standing on a stone path, surrounded by lush green hedges and numerous red roses. The background is a dense garden with more greenery and some yellow flowers.

## ROSE GARDEN

This garden sits in the open lawn directly in front of the museum. A stone pathway winds around a small fountain surrounded by 12 varieties of roses. **Accommodates groups of 60 or less for a ceremony only**, or can be utilized for a small cocktail reception. Seating cannot be accommodated, with the exception of assisting those with special needs.

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## EAST GARDEN >

This is a large circular garden that sits at the edge of the Lafayette River. Its slated patios and cobblestone walkways are surrounded by brick walls and wrought iron fences. Steps on one end lead to wetlands and a living shoreline, while steps on the other lead to a millstone walkway.









## SHORELINE

Popular for its picturesque backdrop, the Shoreline is the perfect area for both ceremonies and receptions. Located directly on the Lafayette River, the Shoreline features a uniquely designed slate patio for use as a dance floor. **Accommodates up to 200 guests.**

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## CENTRAL LAWN

By hosting a reception on this side of the lawn, you fully experience the unique views of both the exquisite home and the breathtaking Lafayette River. ***Accommodates all amounts of guests; required for 200 or more.***



# FEES AND *policies*

**Please note that fees and policies are subject to change prior to contract completion.**

The Hermitage Museum & Gardens maintains unique facilities for weddings, corporate events, and receptions of all kinds. A non-refundable deposit of \$500 will hold your chosen event date and be applied to the rental fee. Fifty-percent (50%) of the event rental fee is due when signing the event agreement. The event fee balance is due to the Hermitage no less than thirty (30) days prior to the event.

## **Fundamental Policies**

- The Hermitage consists of a historic home, extensive gardens and grounds, and an important art and materials collection. Respect for the home, grounds, and collection are key to ensuring a successful event.
- Wedding receptions are permitted outdoors only. Indoor facility available for cocktail hour at an additional fee with strict food and drink policy.
- Contact information must be provided for all vendors (e.g. caterers, photographers, musicians). All caterers must be licensed and fully insured. Catering fee will be applied if selecting a caterer that is not on preferred vendor list.
- Food and beverage service, music, and similar vendor activities are to cease at 10:15 p.m. All guests must vacate the premises by 11:00 p.m.
- ABC license and event liability insurance are required.



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## CEREMONY AND *reception*

### Rental Fees Include:

- Guest access to designated facilities and gardens from 5:30 - 11:00 p.m.
  - Access to fully-stocked restrooms, one changing room, parking, and utilities for event.
  - Use of the grounds for photo session prior to the event date.
  - Access to site for rehearsal prior to event date, as scheduled by the Hermitage.
  - 1-year membership to the Hermitage Museum & Gardens.
  - Museum attendants for the duration of the event.
  - Admission to tour the museum during the event.
- Tour guides available at an additional fee.

## CEREMONY / ELOPEMENTS

Please contact us for additional information about ceremony-only rentals.

For ceremony-only events, attendants are available for the duration of the event as well as one hour before and after to assist your guests. *Ceremony-only events cannot be scheduled when in conflict with a full-event rental.* A museum membership fee of \$100 is required for a ceremony only event.

### April- October

Day	# of guests				
	1-50	51-100	101-150	151-200	201-250
Mon- Thur	\$1,750	\$2,000	\$2,250	\$2,500	\$2,750
Fri & Sun	\$3,250	\$3,500	\$3,750	\$4,000	\$4,250
Saturday	\$3,750	\$4,250	\$4,750	\$5,250	\$5,750

### November-March

Day	# of guests				
	1-50	51-100	101-150	151-200	201-250
Mon- Thur	\$1,250	\$1,500	\$1,750	\$2,000	\$2,250
Fri & Sun	\$2,750	\$3,000	\$3,250	\$3,500	\$3,750
Saturday	\$3,000	\$3,250	\$3,500	\$3,750	\$4,000

**\*\*A separate fee structure exists for events with more than 250 guests.**

## **FIND OUT MORE TODAY**

Contact our Weddings, Events, and Tours Manager,  
Lil Acosta at: [lacosta@thehermitagemuseum.org](mailto:lacosta@thehermitagemuseum.org)  
or call (757) 423- 2052 x211.

## **MUSEUM HOURS**

Tuesday through Sunday, 10-5pm  
Monday appointments also available



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## **HERMITAGE MUSEUM + GARDENS**

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