

*Spaces at Irvine are affordable and available year round.
Rental fees are not tax-deductible but do support our environmental education initiatives.
We look forward to working with you!*

WEDDINGS AT IRVINE

Congratulations on your engagement! We know this is an exciting time for you, your partner, and your families. Irvine Nature Center would be honored to host your ceremony and reception!

Our staff will be there to help you throughout the process of making important decisions with catering, seating, and more.

Renting space at Irvine is easy and can include beautiful outdoor spaces to make your special day shine.

All Irvine weddings are available April 1 through November.

WEDDING PACKAGE (ceremony & reception)

Celebrate your special day among family and friends on Irvine's 210 lush acres.

9 hour event rental: \$4,150
Refundable security deposit: \$500
Extended time (1 hour): \$275

RECEPTION ONLY

Celebrate in Irvine's tented patio for a lovely, outdoor reception

7 hour event rental: \$3,200
Refundable security deposit: \$500
Extended time (1 hour): \$275

CEREMONY ONLY

Say your vows in front of family and friends while enjoying incredible views. Many locations at Irvine make incredible sites for wedding ceremonies, vow renewals, or elopements.

**3 hour ceremony or vow renewal
all at one location:** \$1500
1 hour elopement ceremony: \$500



INCLUDED LOCATIONS & AMENITIES

The following spaces are available for your guests:

Covered Spaces

- *Irvine's tented patio (180 seated guests)
- *Upstairs Classrooms (bridal suite & storage)

Outdoor Spaces

- *Gazebo (15 guest maximum)
- *Wedding Point- Ceremony location (180 seated guests)
- *Outdoor Amphitheater- Ceremony location (180 seated guests)
- *Observation Deck & Below Deck (180 standing guests)

Access to Irvine's meadows and walking trails, as well as our indoor kitchenette & rest rooms are included in the wedding reception rental.





MITZVAHS AT IRVINE

Irvine is a wonderful place to celebrate your child's special day.

Kids of all ages will love the unique experiences offered at Irvine including campfires and s'mores and live animals to visit your guests.

All Irvine mitzvahs are available April 1 through November.

MITZVAH PACKAGE

Celebrate your special day among family and friends on Irvine's 210 lush acres. Your rental includes our event tent, deck, amphitheater space and indoor bathrooms.

8 hour event rental: \$3600
Refundable security deposit: \$500
Extended time (1 hour): \$275



A LA CARTE RENTAL OPTIONS

Whether you're hosting a baby or bridal

shower, company picnic or getting the family together for a reunion, Irvine is the perfect venue for your event. Our a la carte rental options allow you to customize your experience:

TENT-ONLY RENTAL PACKAGE

Irvine's all-weather tent can comfortably hold 180 seated guests on our patio. Tables, chairs, electric outlets, fans, and lighting included. 1 hour setup time is included.

Tent rental: \$250/hour

Non-profit rental rate: \$150/hour

AMPHITHEATER RENTAL PACKAGE

Enjoy your event completely outside in our open, amphitheater space. This green space can comfortably accommodate 180 guests. Tables and chairs provided and access to power is available. 1 hour setup time is included.

Amphitheater rental: \$100/hour

Non-profit rental rate: \$50/hour

CAMPFIRE PACKAGE

Looking for a cozy, campfire feel for your event? Add our 1-hour Campfire Package to include an open fire for guests to enjoy. Firepit, benches and attendant included.

Campfire rental: \$50

ANIMAL AMBASSADORS PACKAGE

One of the best - and most exciting - parts of hosting your event at Irvine is access to our Animal Ambassadors. With this add-on, an Irvine Naturalist will bring hawks, owls, snakes, opossums, or turtles to your event to wow your guests.

Animal Ambassadors Package: \$200



LOGISTICS, WEATHER & RESTRICTIONS

PARKING

Parking is available on-site for your guests; Irvine has space for over 100 vehicles. If you're hosting an exceptionally large event, please allow us to connect you with a valet company that can help you. Of course, ride sharing and other services are always welcome.

HOURS

Irvine Nature Center is free and open to the public from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. seven days per week. As a result, we cannot schedule private, outdoor events during these hours.

Our weddings & large events often begin at 5:00 p.m. or shortly thereafter, with set-up and deliveries beginning at 3 p.m. Events must end at 11:00p.m. and clean up must be completed by midnight.

EVENT SET-UP & CLEAN UP

Time for a 2-hour set-up and 1-hour clean up is included in each wedding rental. Most wedding & mitzvah set-ups begin at 3 p.m. (with ceremonies starting at 5 p.m.). Caterers may arrive no earlier than 1 p.m. for their setup, but 3 p.m. is preferred. Decoration of the tent or any additional set-up should only occur after 3 p.m. Irvine will set up and break down the chairs at your chosen ceremony site; your caterer is responsible for setting up all tables, chairs, etc. for your reception and cocktail hour. *Please make sure your vendors are aware of the time limitations for all set up and deliveries.*

PROHIBITED ITEMS

For the safety of you and the native animals that call Irvine home, the following items are prohibited:

- Gas lanterns, tiki torches, or unattended fires
- Open flames (except small tea lights in votives or mason jars)
- Fireworks
- Balloons
- Plastic and styrofoam disposables
- Birdseed/rice throwing
- Spotlights outside of the tent
- Domestic animals (e.g.: dogs, cats)

BANDS, DJ'S & MUSIC

Irvine loves a good party and we are happy to host your event. We offer access to electrical outlets in our event tent for all your party needs. We do, however, strive to be excellent neighbors to our friends in the Caves Valley. As a result, event music has a hard stop-time of 11 p.m.

ELECTRICITY

We know that power is an important part of your event, but there are limits to where power can run on our property. Due to the distance from the Exhibit Hall, there is no power at Wedding Point or at our Gazebo. If you think your guests will have a difficult time hearing your ceremony without microphones, we do allow for battery operated systems. Absolutely no generators are permitted.

Power is easily accessible for ceremonies held in our Outdoor Amphitheater. Please provide an extension cord that is at least 50 feet long; Irvine cannot provide extension cords for you.

HEATING & COOLING

Should you require heating or cooling for the event tent, Irvine cannot provide these items to you. Please contact your caterer or other vendor to secure these items.

REFRIGERATION

There is no refrigeration available for parties or caterers. Please make sure your caterer is aware of this important note.

OVERNIGHT STORAGE

After your event has ended, all decor and gifts must be removed immediately; Irvine cannot store these items for you for pick-up the next day.

VEHICLE USE TO WEDDING POINT

You are allowed to provide 1 vehicle to transport any guests that need help getting down and back up from the Wedding Point ceremony location. You may bring a golf cart but you must rent this on your own and ensure it is removed at end of event.

INCLEMENT WEATHER

Should there be rain or other inclement weather for your outdoor event, your ceremony & reception can take place in Irvine's covered Tent.

RESERVATIONS & PAYMENT

Irvine would be thrilled to hold your selected event date with a signed contract and a non-refundable \$1,000 down payment for weddings & mitzvahs or 50% of the total for a la carte rentals.

Though Irvine does its best to accommodate hold requests, only a completed contract and full down payment can secure your date.

Weddings & Mitzvahs: The entire balance of your rental fee, plus a \$500 refundable security deposit, is due 4 months prior to your event.

A La Carte Rental Options: The entire balance of your rental fee, is due 2 months prior to your event.

Sorry, no refunds will be given for cancellations prior to any event; we will, however, happily return your \$500 security deposit in the event of a cancellation.

CATERING

Weddings must select provider from our approved Catering List. We have chosen these caterers specifically for our guests because:

1. Their food is delicious
2. They are friendly, fantastic vendors
3. They are familiar with Irvine's facilities
4. They are committed to environmental sustainability

Your caterer is responsible for providing linens, silverware, dishes, glassware, etc. and removing these items for you at the end of your event. Caterers must also ensure that trash and recycling have been collected for removal from our property by your caterer or you. You and your party are welcome to bring these items, but you are responsible for cleaning everything up at the end of the evening. We do not permit basic disposable plastic silverware, plates, or cups at events.

Irvine has 180 chairs and 18 large round, 16 high-top cocktail, 15 6-foot rectangular and 11 8-foot rectangular tables that you/your caterer may use.

If you choose to use an alternate caterer, there will be an additional fee of \$400.

APPROVED CATERERS

We are proud to recommend these vendors who can provide you with everything you need to make your event perfect (and delicious):

ACE CATERING & EVENTS

Location: Baltimore County, MD
Email: booknow@acecateringandevents.com
Phone: (410) 352-4120
Website: acecateringandevents.com

THE CLASSIC CATERING PEOPLE

Location: Baltimore County, MD
Phone: (410) 356-1666
Website: www.classiccatering.com

SANTONI'S CATERING

Location: Baltimore, MD
Email: catering@santonis.com
Phone: (410) 833-6610
Website: www.santonis.com

ZEFFERT & GOLD

Location: Baltimore, MD
Email: customerservice@zeffertandgold.com
Phone: (410) 944-4481
Website: zeffertandgold.com

PUTTING ON THE RITZ

Location: Laurel, MD
Email: info@puttingontheritz.com
Phone: 301.725.4220
Website: puttingontheritz.com

G AND G CREATIVE CATERING

Location: Baltimore, MD
Email: info@gandgcatering.com
Phone: 410-686-5050
Website: www.gandgcatering.com

**QUESTIONS?
READY TO BOOK?**

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