Facility Rental at the Art Center

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THE ART CENTER’S OUTSTANDING BUILDINGS AND SCULPTURE ON THE SURROUNDING GROUNDS PROVIDE A UNIQUE BACKDROP FOR PHOTOGRAPHS.

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LEFT: DANCING IN THE COURTYARD PHOTO: CATLIN CISAR PHOTOGRAPHY
COVER RIGHT: EVENING CELEBRATION IN THE COURTYARD SURROUNDING THE MAYTAG REFLECTING POOL PHOTO: REBEKAH MALLOY
Looking for a beautiful location for your special event?

We are delighted you are considering the Art Center for your next special occasion. From wedding receptions to elegant corporate soirées, the Des Moines Art Center’s world-class architecture, beautiful ambiance, and staff will make your event unforgettable.

Unique, sophisticated, and home to some of the most important art of our time, the Des Moines Art Center boasts a variety of spaces to accommodate the most discerning needs: a gorgeous lobby, a restaurant, a 220-seat theater, and an open air courtyard with striking views of our buildings, designed by three master architects. These customizable accommodations are perfect for creating a truly memorable and entirely unexpected event.

One of our approved caterers will provide an exceptional culinary experience, from passed hors d’oeuvres to a multiple course dinner. To surprise and delight your guests, we can arrange private docent led tours of the three buildings that house the Art Center’s impressive exhibitions and collections.

Spaces available for rent

MAIN LOBBY AND MAYTAG REFLECTING POOL

Plated or Buffet Style / 125 people
Stations or Cocktail Style / 200 people

- The 2,000 square foot lobby, designed by Eliel Saarinen and featuring travertine floors and oak paneled walls, is adjacent to the galleries. The lobby is sun soaked during the early evening hours, from the dramatic floor to ceiling windows and doors that provide access to the courtyard.

- The courtyard features 3 trees, a granite reflecting pool, and outdoor sculptures by Carl Milles and Scott Burton, and is surrounded by the architecture of Eliel Saarinen, I. M. Pei, and Richard Meier. It is the perfect space to dance the night away underneath the stars, or to kick off your evening with passed hors d’oeuvres and cocktails.

- Wedding ceremonies are not allowed in the building, but the Claire and Miles Mills Rose Garden or the Sylvan Amphitheater can be rented through Des Moines Parks and Recreation.

ART CENTER RESTAURANT

Plated or Buffet Style / 50 people
Stations or Cocktail Style / 75 people

- The 950 square foot restaurant, designed by Richard Meier, has a curved glass wall looking out onto the courtyard and Maytag Reflecting Pool. This space is ideal for dinner meetings, rehearsal dinners, birthday dinners, or other intimate events.

- The courtyard and Maytag Reflecting Pool can be used as an elegant cocktail space or memorable way to serve dessert underneath the stars, when weather allows, without additional cost.

LEVITT AUDITORIUM

- The 220-seat auditorium is well suited for symposia, lectures, performances, film or video previews.

- Theater has limited ADA-accessible seating.

- The rental fee includes use of the theater’s integrated technology package; however, audio visual technicians of the Art Center’s choosing must be hired at the renter’s expense.

Docent led tours are available for $50 per tour. They last about 30 minutes and are limited to 30 guests.

All spaces are smoke free. No food or drinks are allowed in the galleries or Levitt Auditorium.

Facility rental prices

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* Contributor members or above ($250 / year)

** These spaces are available Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, or Saturday evening.

All rentals include set up and tear down of rental equipment, security, and maintenance. Additional items may be rented by the Art Center on behalf, and at the expense, of the client. These fees do not include food and beverage or any outside rental needs, such as tables, chairs, and linens. Fees are subject to change.