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Facility Rental at the Art Center



THE ART CENTER'S OUTSTANDING BUILDINGS AND SCULPTURE ON THE SURROUNDING GROUNDS PROVIDE A UNIQUE BACKDROP FOR PHOTOGRAPHS. PHOTO: KARA VORWALD PHOTOGRAPHY

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LEFT: WEDDING RECEPTION DANCING IN THE LOBBY PHOTO: ??GRACE?
COVER: EVENING CELEBRATION IN THE BOOKEY FAMILY 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 professional 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 tastes: a gorgeous lobby, a contemporary café, a 220-seat theater, and an open air courtyard with striking views of our buildings, designed by three renowned architects. These artful accommodations can be customized to create a memorable and entirely unexpected event.

Choose from one of our preferred caterers to provide an exceptional culinary experience, from passed hors d’oeuvres to a multiple course dinner. Surprise and delight your guests with a private docent-led tour of the three buildings that house the Art Center’s impressive exhibitions and collections.

The wood clad Eliel Saarinen lobby can be customized for receptions, sit down dining, or dancing.
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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, by the dramatic floor-to-ceiling windows and doors that provide access to the courtyard.
- The Bookey Family Courtyard features lit 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 begin your evening with passed hors d’oeuvres and cocktails or dance the night away underneath the stars.



TANGERINE AT THE ART CENTER

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

- The 950 square foot café, designed by Richard Meier, has a curved glass wall looking out onto The Bookey Family Courtyard and Maytag Reflecting Pool. This space is ideal for dinner meetings, rehearsal dinners, birthday gatherings, or other intimate events.
- The courtyard and reflecting pool can be used as an elegant cocktail space or a memorable way to serve dessert underneath the stars, without additional cost.



LEVITT AUDITORIUM

- The 220-seat auditorium is well suited for symposia, lectures, performances, film, or video previews.
- The theater has limited ADA-accessible seating.
- The rental fee includes use of the theater’s integrated technology package; however, audiovisual technicians chosen by the Art Center must be hired at the renter’s expense.

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

Facility rental prices

Facility	Member*	Non-Member
LEVITT AUDITORIUM	\$1,000	\$1,500
CAFÉ / MAYTAG REFLECTING POOL THE BOOKEY FAMILY COURTYARD**	\$1,500	\$2,000
HARRIET S. AND J. LOCKE MACOMBER LOBBY THE BOOKEY FAMILY COURTYARD**	\$3,000	\$3,500
All rentals include set up and tear down of rental equipment, security, and maintenance. These fees do not include food and beverage or any outside rental needs, such as tables, chairs, and linens. Additional items may be rented by the Art Center on behalf of the client at the client’s expense. Fees are subject to change.		
* Influence level members or above (\$250 / year)		
** These spaces are available Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, or Saturday evening		

The Bookey Family Courtyard and Maytag Reflecting Pool are accessible from the café or the lobby, extending your event outdoors and offering striking views of all of our buildings, designed by three master architects. PHOTO: MINDY MYERS PHOTOGRAPHY



options for Levitt Auditorium photo



options for cafe or reflecting pool



options for lobby photo

