



 ${f I}$ n 1912, Walker-Smith Grocer opened a warehouse at

the site of the George B. Dobson Cotton Pickery that had been destroyed by the 1900 Galveston Hurricane. It was emblazoned with the words "Coffee Roasters Manufacturers Candy & Peanut Butter" painted across the top of the building. The warehouse quickly became known as the "Peanut Butter Warehouse" by locals and visitors. The building operated as a warehouse until 1983 when the first two floors were converted into an assemblage of shops containing antiques and other retail goods. Hurricane Ike damaged the antiques on the first floor in 2008. The building reopened in 2009 with a combination of luxury lofts on the third and newly constructed fourth floor in 2009 and boutique shops on the first floor. Following extensive renovation, the second floor opened as an Event Center at the end of 2020.

Timeline:

1884 – 1900 George B. Dobson Cot	tton Pickery
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1900 Galveston Hurricane

1907 Construction of Current Building

1912 – 1943 Walker-Smith Grocer (Peanut Butter, Candy, Roasted Coffee), warehouse

1943 - 1951 Cross and Co., Inc, Ship Chandlers, warehouse

1951 – 1983 Plantowsky Furniture Co., warehouse

1983 - Retail shops, antiques and peanut butter

2009 - Luxury lofts on 3rd and 4th floors

2020 – Event Center on 2nd floor

As featured in the New York Times (2/19/1989 Section 5, Page 74; Mary Gardner)





The Event Center is located in historic downtown Galveston at the corner of 20th Street and Harborside Drive. The second floor of the Peanut Butter Warehouse was remodeled and opened at the end of 2020. Occupying the second floor, the Event Center allows spectacular views of Galveston Harbor and the downtown area. The main event space maintains the original wooden support beams and exposed brick while added amenities to transform the warehouse space into an intimate and warm environment for your special day.

Event staff will greet your guests at the accessible north entrance of the building. Entering through the stained-glass doors on the first floor, guests may choose the stairs or elevator to arrive at the second floor. There is approximately 7000 ft² of useable space in the main event room that can seat 350 guests. The brick walls feature 10 ft windows along the west and north sides of the building. The wooden support beams arise to the high ceilings that contain a modern HVAC with a REME-HALO filtration system (that removes 99.9% of pathogens) and exposed duct work. Chandeliers, overhead and sconce lights that are fully adjustable are accentuated by string lights to provide the perfect illumination of the space.

















In addition to wedding ceremonies and receptions, we have significant experience with a variety of event types including professional meetings/lunches, high school proms and charity functions. Furnishings such as a wedding arch, stage or additional items are available. Additional rooms include: a bridal lounge/ready-room, a catering prep kitchen (including a commercial icemaker and sink), men's and women's restrooms/water closets. The setup of your event space may include wedding ceremony and cocktail areas that are configured to your specifications. We will provide sufficient banquet tables, Chiavari chairs and other furniture to meet your needs. Let us know exactly what you need, and we will provide it to make your experience unforgettable!





Included in your Venue Rental

- Five hours of event time with additional setup time allowed. Additional extended event duration hours are available.
- Cleaning before and after your event.
- Event staff and security for the duration of your event.
- 72" round banquet tables with white or gold 132" tablecloths, black napkins and runners Chiavari chairs
- Centerpieces for your banquet tables
- 30" round, 42" high cocktail tables with white or gold 132" tablecloths
- 72" rectangular tables with white or black 90"x132" tablecloths
- Setup furniture in your own custom configuration
- Complimentary Wi-Fi
- Handicapped accessible entrance with elevator
- REME-HALO air filtration system

Venue Rental Fee for up to 150 Guests (5-hour event):

\$5000

Venue Rental Fee for 350 Guests (5-hour event):

\$7500

Prices are prorated for events between 150 and 350 guests

Additional fees: Each additional hour of event duration is \$400. Additional furniture, table linens and services available for additional rental fees. Parking at the adjacent Strand Parking can be contracted for an additional fee. Event insurance required. Self-liquor insurance may be required if "BYOB" alcohol is planned rather than bartending service. Sales tax of 8.25% will be added to all sales. Payments will be made by certified check, bank check or credit card. If you pay by credit card, an additional 4% courtesy fee will be added to your total. To preserve your date, a signed contract and deposit of 50% of the total cost will be required.

*Pricing effective through 05/31/2023.

