



Congratulations on your engagement and thank you for thinking of The Gardens at Elm Bank for such a special day in your lives. We look forward to introducing you to our remarkable property and working with you to make your wedding day everything you could imagine and more!

The Gardens at Elm Bank resides on Massachusetts Horticultural Society's stunning 36-acre property located along the Charles River in Wellesley and Dover, Massachusetts. Just thirty minutes outside of Boston, our property offers twelve gorgeous display gardens and multiple event spaces to suit your wedding of any capacity. We take pride in offering one event on the property at a time for our late afternoon and evening rentals, allowing for the most intimate experience possible.

Massachusetts Horticultural Society is the oldest formally organized horticultural institution in the United States. Our location at The Gardens at Elm Bank is listed on the National Register of Historic Places for many elements. Whether you are looking to incorporate our history or simply have a unique setting for your wedding, our property is the perfect backdrop.

As guests arrive, they are guided through the wooded driveway which leads to our complimentary parking areas. Included in your rentals is the use of the gardens for photographs, cocktail hour, and guests to enjoy freely. The tranquil atmosphere will bring your family and friends together as they absorb the beauty of the gardens and our historic structures in celebration of your marriage.



THE ITALIANATE GARDEN

The Italianate Garden is located on the west side of the property with the remarkable Manor House overlooking its lush garden beds. Designed by the Olmsted Brothers between 1914 and 1928, this is one of just two Italianate gardens open to the public in Massachusetts. This romantic space is most often home to wedding ceremonies on the property but it is always an option for your cocktail hour too!

With six different layouts available, it is sure to fulfill your dreams or an intimate, breathtaking ceremony. This garden has a beautiful bulb display beginning in mid-April and is then transformed into an annual garden with color until the beginning of November.



THE BELVEDERE COCKTAIL SPACE



This beautiful, rustic structure provides the perfect backdrop for the outdoor cocktail reception of your dreams! The Belvedere is conveniently located steps away from Weezie's whimsical Garden for Children, the sprawling grass paths of the Bressingham Garden and the Maple Grove, ideal for lawn games and lounge furniture. This space allows guests to mingle and explore as they enjoy hors d'oeuvres and cocktails in this unrivaled space!

OTHER GARDENS ON THE PROPERTY

The Gardens at Elm Bank contains twelve incredible gardens, all of which are included in your rental for you and your guests to roam and enjoy. We have a combination of both perennial and annual gardens to take advantage of different colors at different times of the year. All of our gardens offer unlimited photo possibilities for parties of any size!



RECEPTION LOCATIONS

Included in your rental is an on-site staff member the day of the wedding, as well as a family membership to Massachusetts Horticultural Society. Throughout the planning process, an event associate from The Gardens at Elm Bank is available for any property- related questions, assisting with vendor recommendations and arranging site visits.

THE HUNNEWELL BUILDING – INDOOR VENUE

The first of our two reception locations is The Hunnewell Building, our historic and stately carriage house. The great hall of the Hunnewell Building boasts nearly 3,000 square feet of open space and is capped with a magnificent vaulted and trussed ceiling. The interior of this building is equipped with heating and air conditioning for optimal comfort at any time of year.

The building alone can accommodate up to 150 guests for a seated reception with dancing or 200 guests for a seated reception without the dance floor. It can also accommodate cocktail style receptions up to 300 guests.

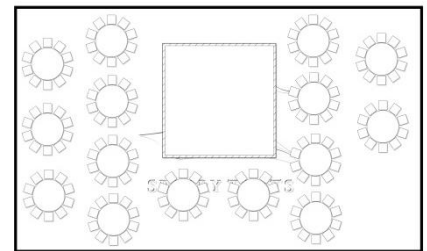
Mid-April through Mid-November, the rental of the Hunnewell Building also includes our seasonal, attached tent which comes in great use for inclement weather, dancing or extra seating. Utilizing the tent and having a dance floor for your reception, this indoor venue can accommodate a maximum of 230 guests for a seated reception, and 400 for a cocktail reception.

Another amazing area to take advantage of is the courtyard. Adorned with bistro lights and located off of the seasonal tent, this grassy courtyard is ideal for giving guests another outdoor space to enjoy once the gardens have closed. This area is wonderful for lawn games, cigar bars, cocktail tables, or lounge furniture! You can access this area up until the end of the night!

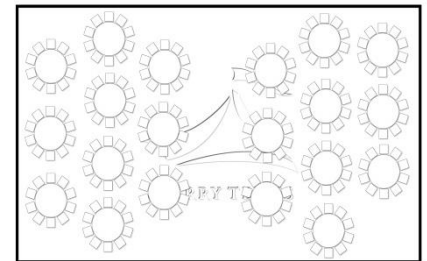
Included in the rental of the Hunnewell Building and attached tent are beautiful, fruitwood Chiavari chairs for up to 250 guests, round tables that seat 8-10 guests each, as well as six and eight-foot rectangular tables. All other rentals such as linens, service-ware and custom furniture are provided by your caterer.



The exterior of The Hunnewell Building



Seated Reception for 150



Seated Reception for 200



The Attached Tent & Courtyard



Included Ceiling Decor in the Hunnewell Building



Included Ceiling Decor in the Attached Tent

Lighting is an incredible way to transform this space and for the 2022 season, we will be including a lighting design in your rental. Inside, you will have five runs of elegant, white draping with simple, glowing bistro lights running between each drape. These dimmable bistro lights will allow the space to transform from lively and bright during dinner service to dim and dreamy as guests hit the dance floor! This stunning lighting design will be carried out to the attached tent and courtyard area too. Unique and custom lighting designs are always available too, with special coordination.

Available for rent through The Gardens at Elm Bank is our 20-foot by 20-foot, mahogany dance floor which can be placed inside the building, or in the attached tent. Also available as a separate rental are LED uplights, perfect for adding a splash of color to the interior of these spaces!

THE MAPLE GROVE – OUTDOOR VENUE

Centrally located amongst the gardens and surrounded by towering maple trees is our spacious Maple Grove. With nearly 17,000 square feet of grassy lawn, this outdoor area can accommodate tented receptions of virtually any size! This outdoor venue allows for the most customization possible. From the tent itself to flooring, tables, chairs, lighting, and so much more, your wedding can be as unique as you and your partner!

We work with a small selection of expertly trained, and incredibly knowledgeable tent companies that offer modern, beautiful rentals. Please note that special coordination is required for all events in the Maple Grove due to the high level of detail and wear on the property.



2022 WEDDING RATES

The Hunnewell Building or Maple Grove, Peak Season May 20 – October 17

Ceremony Fee **\$ 1,500**

One half-hour of time will be allotted for your on-site, garden ceremony. This fee includes white garden chairs for up to 230 guests and an indoor location in the event of inclement weather. If having your ceremony on-site, rehearsals are included in your rate and based on the availability of the gardens and event spaces.

Nine Hour Rental

Three hours of setup for your vendors, five hours of cocktail hour and reception time, and one hour of breakdown and cleanup.

Friday	\$ 6,500
Saturday	\$ 10,500
Sunday	\$ 6,500
Monday – Thursday	\$ 3,500

Additional 1/2 hour \$ 400

The Hunnewell Building or Maple Grove, Shoulder Season April 15 – May 19, October 18 – November 13

Ceremony Fee **\$ 1,250**

One half-hour of time will be allotted for your on-site, garden ceremony. This fee includes white garden chairs for up to 230 guests and an indoor location in the event of inclement weather. If having your ceremony on-site, rehearsals are included in your rate and based on the availability of the gardens and event spaces.

Nine Hour Rental

Three hours of setup for your vendors, five hours of cocktail hour and reception time, and one hour of breakdown and cleanup.

Friday	\$ 5,500
Saturday	\$ 9,000
Sunday	\$ 5,500
Monday – Thursday	\$ 3,000

Additional 1/2 hour \$300

Additional Items

Additional Staffing Hours	\$ 50 per hour, per staff member
20-Unit LED Uplighting	\$ 750 for the interior of the Hunnewell Building and Attached Tent
20' x 20' Dance Floor	\$ 1,000 can be placed in either the Hunnewell Building or Attached Tent
Tenting Fee	\$ 500 applies for all custom tents placed in the Maple Grove
Lighting Change Fee	\$ 250 to remove the included lighting for a custom lighting installation

Please note: Holiday weekend Sundays are treated as Saturdays, and Monday holidays are treated as Sundays.

A valid credit card must be on file at all times for incidentals, final balance, and potential damages to the property and buildings.

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