

HOUSTON
ARBORETUM &
NATURE CENTER

Private Rentals



HOST AN EVENT AT HOUSTON ARBORETUM & NATURE CENTER

Houston Arboretum & Nature Center is a 155-acre non-profit urban nature sanctuary located just miles from Downtown Houston on the western edge of Memorial Park.

Proceeds from event rentals support Houston Arboretum's & Nature Center's mission to provide education about the natural environment to people of all ages and to protect and enhance the Arboretum as a haven and as a sanctuary for native plants and animals.

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If you want to get married outdoors, under the cover of beautiful trees, on the edge of a pond, surrounded by your closest friends and family, guess what: you don't have to drive 2 hours outside of Houston to get that. The Houston Arboretum is THE perfect backdrop for your ceremonies.

— Paige R.

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Weddings & Receptions

Lush green foliage and subtle sounds of nature will provide an intimate, enchanting backdrop for your ceremony.

Social Events

Host a shower, party, celebration of life, or other special event surrounded by the beauty of nature.

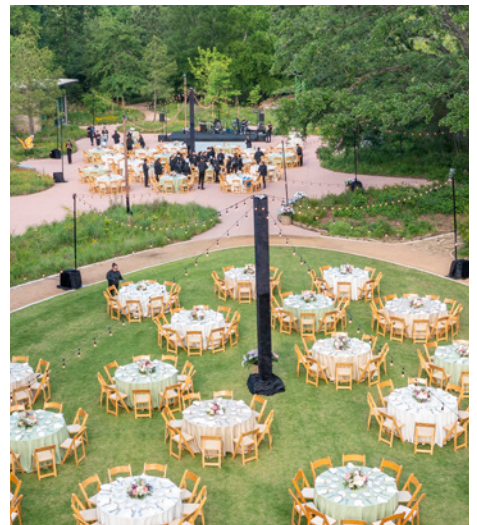
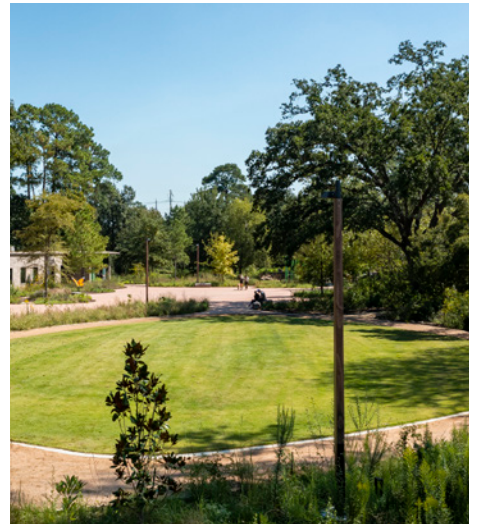
Corporate & Nonprofit Events

From board meetings and retreats to galas, the Arboretum offers flexible indoor and outdoor spaces for gatherings.

Spaces

The Nature Center grounds provide a natural, tranquil setting to remember and celebrate the life of a loved one.

Venue Spaces



Event Lawn

Surrounded by a lush canopy of trees, the Event Lawn provides a serene outdoor setting for any occasion. The expansive lawn is ideal for ceremonies, gatherings, and celebrations, while a charming boardwalk over the Cypress Pond adds rustic elegance.

Whether planning a ceremony, party, or day of relaxation, the Event Lawn is the perfect place to create unforgettable memories under the open sky.

Nature Center Courtyard

Host your event in the stunning Nature Center Courtyard, where nature and elegance meet. This open space features a beautifully crafted concrete surface, perfect for receptions, galas, and parties. A striking monarch statue adds artistry while celebrating nature's beauty.

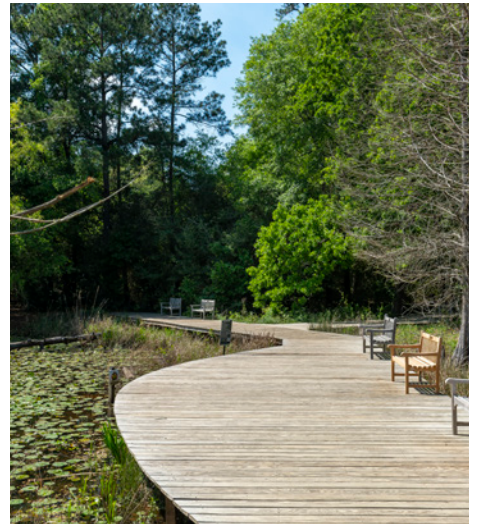
With its blend of style and charm, the Nature Center Courtyard provides an unforgettable setting.

Nature Center Lawn

A flexible space surrounded by natural beauty, the Nature Center Lawn sits adjacent to the Nature Center Courtyard and offers a lovely setting for your next event. Whether you're planning a heartfelt ceremony, an elegant gala, or a lively party, this open and inviting setting provides the perfect backdrop for any occasion.

Make your next celebration truly memorable at the Nature Center Lawn — where beauty and versatility meet.

Venue Spaces



Lily Pond

Tucked in a shady grove, the Lily Pond is a hidden gem with a serene pond surrounded by lush greenery. This peaceful haven is perfect for reflection, strolls, or enjoying nature's soothing sounds. A picturesque ceremony site makes it ideal for intimate gatherings, weddings, or special moments.

Escape the ordinary and experience the Lily Pond — where nature and tranquility come together.

Meadow Deck

The Meadow Deck features a new, spacious deck overlooking a tranquil pond nestled near the Meadow. Vibrant colors come to life in spring and fall, making it a breathtaking destination year-round.

Whether you're having a special ceremony on the deck, enjoying a quiet walk by the water, or simply soaking in the stunning seasonal views, the Meadow Deck offers a peaceful escape for all who visit.

North Meadow Deck

Escape to the quiet beauty of the North Meadow Deck, where the Meadow Pond takes center stage. The cozy deck invites you to pause and take in the stunning view across the water, framed by lush greenery and open skies.

Come experience the calm and natural charm of the North Meadow Deck — a delightful space waiting to be explored.

Venue Spaces



Emmott Circle

Nestled in a shady grove, Emmott Circle offers a tranquil escape perfect for intimate gatherings and ceremonies. Rustic benches provide charming seating, while the soothing sounds of bird drips add a natural melody to the peaceful surroundings.

Discover the quiet beauty and timeless charm of Emmott Circle where nature sets the stage for your special day.



Multipurpose Rooms

Celebrate life's most meaningful moments in the Nature Center's multipurpose rooms. Featuring spacious designs and stunning walls of windows that frame beautiful views of nature, these rooms provide the perfect backdrop for every occasion. Whether hosting a joyful baby shower, an elegant wedding reception, or a heartfelt memorial, the tranquil surroundings and versatile layout can be tailored to suit your needs.

Create lasting memories in a space where nature and elegance come together.

Event Packages

WEDDING PACKAGE

Wedding Package Includes:

- Complimentary Rehearsal
- 2-hour Wedding Day Time Block

The 2-hour package includes one hour before and one hour after the ceremony start time. This allows for pre-ceremony preparations, seating guests, and taking pictures after the ceremony.

Ceremony-only options are available 7 days a week from 10:00 am - 3:00 pm on Friday and Saturday and from 10:00 am - 4:00 pm Sunday through Thursday



RECEPTION PACKAGE

Indoor Reception Package Includes:

- 4-hour Reception
- +1 hour Set Up / Break Down (5 hours total)
- Furniture
- White Tablecloths
- Overhead Sound System
- Multi-level Lighting
- Dance Floor
- Additional set up time may be purchased

Outdoor Reception Package Includes:

- 4-hour Reception
- +1 hour Set Up / Break Down (5 hours total)
- Furniture
- White Tablecloths
- Bistro Lighting
- Additional set up time may be purchased

Tenting options available at additional cost.



WEDDING & RECEPTION RENTAL PRICING

<i>Venues</i>	CEREMONY CAPACITY	CEREMONY PRICE RANGE	RECEPTION CAPACITY <i>(Seated)</i>	RECEPTION PRICE RANGE
Event Lawn	10–250	\$700–\$4,450	50–225	\$5,950– \$13,690
Nature Center Courtyard and/or Lawn	50–225	\$1,450–\$3,950	50–400	\$4,500– \$19,750
Meadow Deck	10–150	\$700–\$3,400	50–100	\$5,950– \$9,580
Multipurpose Rooms	10–150	\$350–\$2,100	50–150	\$3,250– \$5,900
Lily Pond	10–150	\$350–\$2,100	N/A	N/A
Emmott Circle	10–75	\$350–\$1,200	N/A	N/A
North Meadow Deck	10–50	\$700–\$1,650	N/A	N/A



Learn more at:

houstonarboretum.org/host-an-event/

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Event Packages

INDOOR SHOWER/ PARTY PACKAGE

Indoor Shower or Party packages include one or more of the beautiful multipurpose rooms with a wall of windows looking out on nature. All rooms have multi-level lighting as well as a pull down screen and projector for slideshows or presentations. Every room has exterior doors, which provide direct access to nature, as well as interior doors leading to the Nature Center's main foyer.

Package Includes:

- 4-hour reservation
- Furniture
 - 10 Tables total per room
 - White Chairs
- White Tablecloths

**** The 4-hour reservation includes set up and clean up time. Ask about purchasing additional time for more elaborate set up or break down.***



OUTDOOR SHOWER/ PARTY PACKAGE

Outdoor Shower or Party packages include one of the Arboretum's beautiful outdoor spaces reserved for private use.

The number of tables and chairs provided will depend on the package selected.

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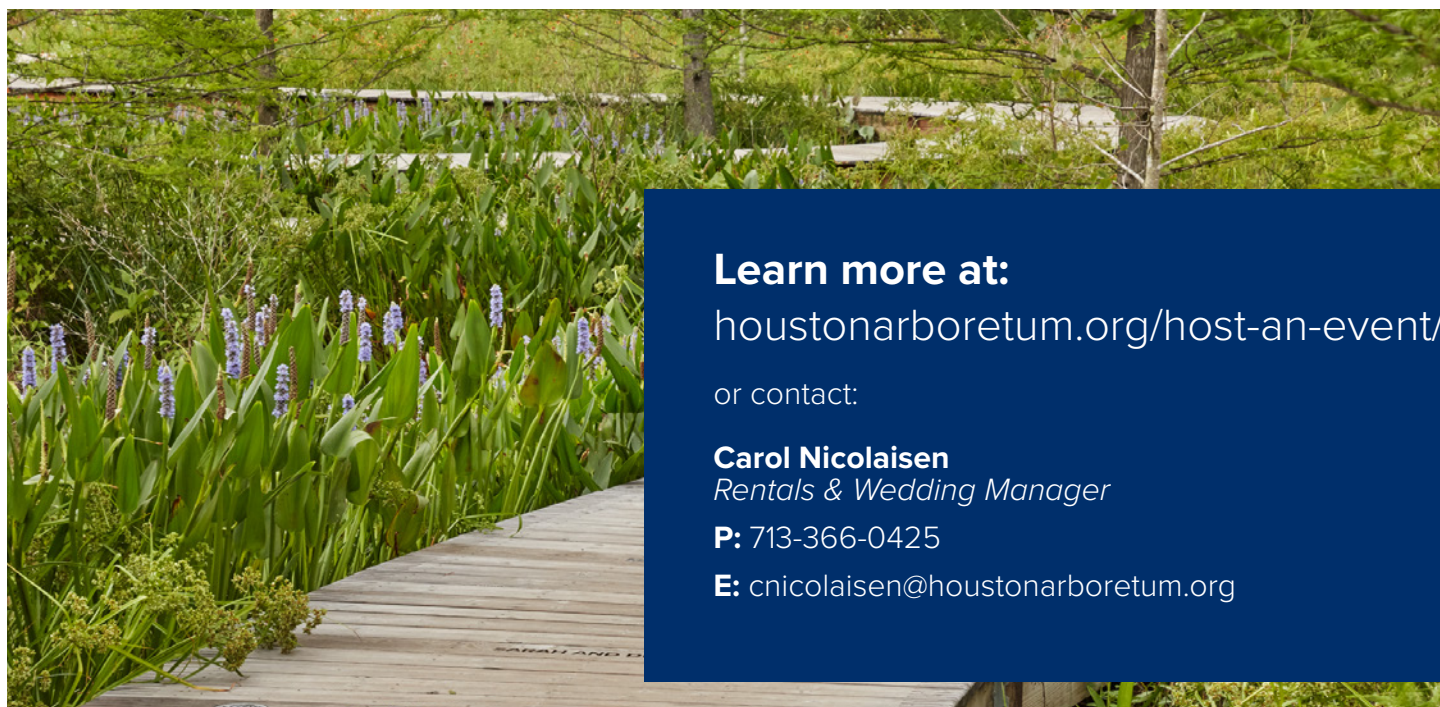
- 4-hour reservation
- Furniture
 - Round or Rectangular Tables
 - White Chairs
- White Tablecloths

**** The 4-hour reservation includes set up and clean up time. Tents and outdoor lighting can be added for an additional cost.***



SHOWER & PARTY RENTAL PRICING

<i>Venues</i>	EVENT CAPACITY <i>(Seated)</i>	PACKAGE PRICE RANGE
Armadillo Room	40	\$490–\$680
Beautyberry Room	40	\$490–\$680
Cardinal Room	40	\$490–\$680
Two Rooms Combined	40–80	\$870–\$1,200
Three Rooms Combined	80–150	\$1,250–\$1,720
Hummingbird Room	50	\$490–\$680
Lily Pond	50	\$600–\$850
Event Lawn	50–150	\$1,200–\$4,485
Nature Center Courtyard and/or Lawn	50–450	\$1,450–\$14,000



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CELEBRATION OF LIFE & MEMORIAL PACKAGES

Indoor and outdoor spaces provide a natural, tranquil setting to remember and celebrate the life of a loved one. A variety of options are available. All packages include the selected time and space, as well as white chairs and tables with cloth per your chosen package.

Packages start at \$600



MEETING PACKAGES

Meeting spaces are available in one or more of the beautiful multipurpose rooms with a wall of windows looking out on nature. All rooms have multi-level lighting as well as a pull-down screen and projector for slideshows or presentations. Every room has exterior doors which provide direct access to nature, as well as interior doors leading to the Nature Center's main foyer.

Packages Includes:

- 2 rectangle tables
- Up to 30 silver chairs (*per room*)
- Additional furniture options are available

Packages range from \$65 – \$95 per hour, per space



Pre-Approved Vendors

Cakes

Jody Cakes*

www.jodycakes.com

Supreme Kake

www.supremekakes.com

* Gluten free & Vegan

Caterers

A La Carte Catering and Events

www.alacartecateringhouston.com

Bee a Little Cheesy—Chartuterie Only

www.beealittlecheesy.com

Behind the Bash II, LLC

www.behindthebash.net

Cotton Culinary

www.cottonculinary.com

Harris County General Store BBQ Co.

www.hcgssbbq.com

Pappas Catering

www.pappascatering.com

Silvana's Catering

www.silvanascatering.com

Entertainers

Avalon Music – Strings and other

www.theavalonmusic.com

Best Entertainer

www.bestentertainers.com

Curly and Daisy – Face Painting

www.curlyanddaisy.com

Wild Things Zoofari

www.wildthingszoofari.com

Event Planners

Brey and Co.

www.breyandco.com

Fervent Designs

www.ferventdesigns.com

Photographers

Good Omen Photography

www.goodomenco.com

RS Photography

www.rsphotographyllc.com

The Ramseys Photography

www.theramseysphotography.com

Rentals

Any Occasion Tents & Events

www.anyoccasionhouston.com

Wedding Day Pet Attendant

Pawsitive Moments

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Venue Map

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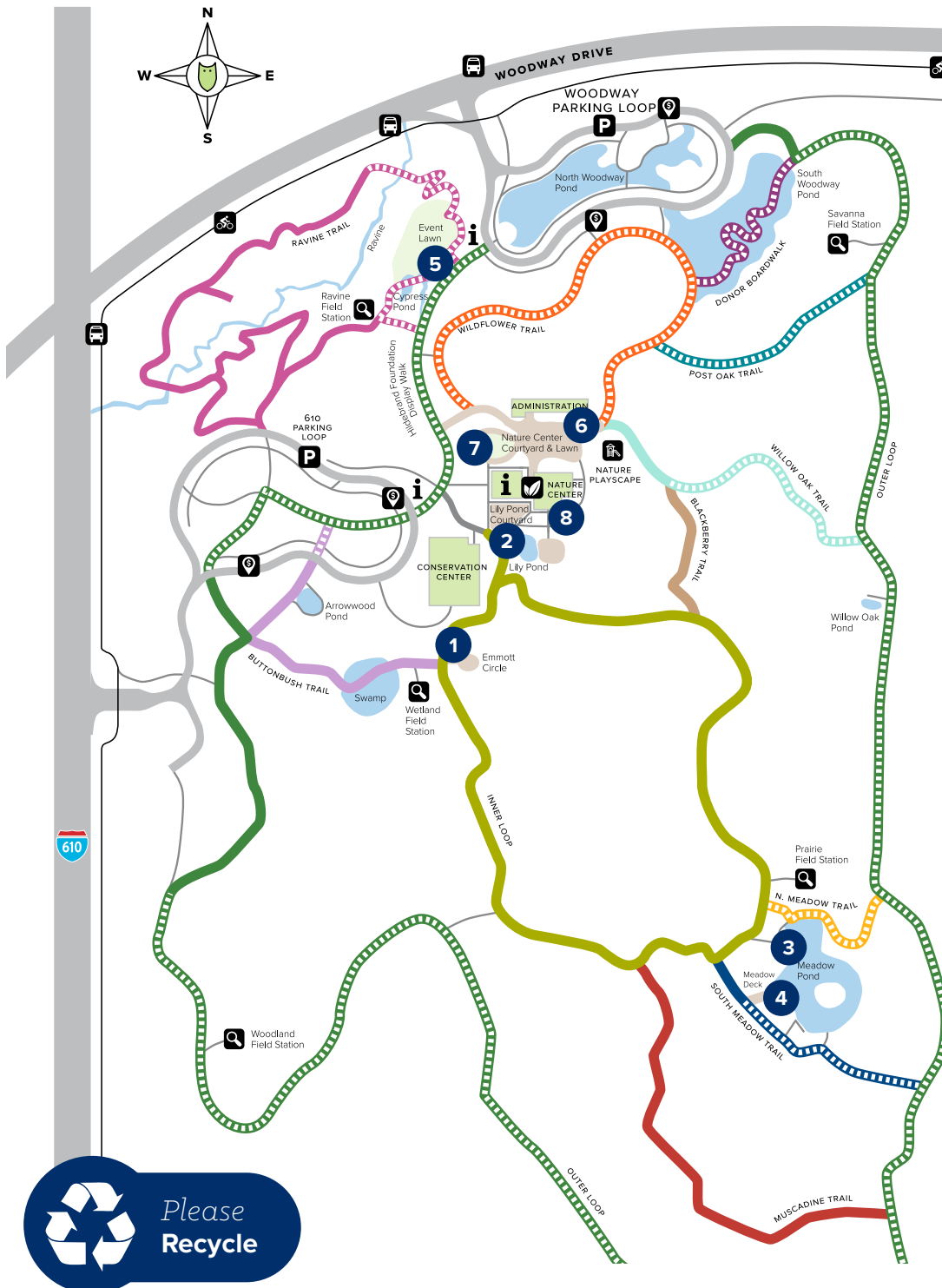
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- 5** Event Lawn
- 6** Nature Center Courtyard
- 7** Nature Center Lawn
- 8** Multipurpose Rooms

- Armadillo
- Beautyberry
- Cardinal
- Hummingbird

- Dotted line marks portion of Accessible Trail
- Hike and Bike Trail
- Field Stations
- Parking
- Parking Pay Station
- Bus Stop
- Railroad

