



WHERE LOVE IS  
*Always in Bloom*





# WELCOME TO ROYAL BOTANICAL GARDENS

Welcome to Royal Botanical Gardens (RBG), where nature meets celebration. As the largest botanical garden in Canada, RBG offers a breathtaking backdrop for your special day. Nestled between Burlington and Hamilton, just 45 minutes from Toronto, our venue spans 2,137 acres of pristine gardens and nature sanctuaries.

Now offering, exclusive access to say "I do". Imagine exchanging vows surrounded by lush greenery and vibrant blooms, with the beauty of Royal Botanical Gardens reserved just for you. Beginning at 5:00pm, you'll enjoy exclusive access to our breathtaking venues, ensuring your wedding feels private and intimate.

At RBG, your love story deserves nothing less than a private, unforgettable setting - and our evening weddings make it possible.



## REACH OUT TO SECURE YOUR DATE TODAY!

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## SOUGHT AFTER VENUES

### ROCK GARDEN Up to 100 seated

1185 York Blvd, Hamilton

#### Ceremony Venue Courtyard | Upper Lawn

The Courtyard is an outdoor setting where stonework, plantings and tranquil water features create a scene of timeless romance. With nature's beauty as your backdrop, every moment feels effortless, elegant, and unforgettable.

The Upper Lawn is more than just picturesque – surrounded by a landscape featuring bold, season-long perennial displays highlighting texture and colour it will truly feel like a garden wedding.

#### Reception Venue | Great Room

The Great Room is an award winning architectural space with floor-to-ceiling windows and panoramic views of lush gardens. This modern, light-filled space offers a seamless connection to the outdoors while providing all the comfort of an indoor venue all within steps from your ceremony and cocktail location.

### RBG MAIN CENTRE Up to 250 seated

680 Plains Road West, Burlington

#### Ceremony Venue Rose Garden Patio

The Rose Garden Patio offers a romantic, open-air atmosphere with sweeping views of lush gardens and fragrant blooms at their seasonal peak. Perfect for ceremonies, this elegant space combines the charm of an outdoor garden wedding.

#### Reception Venue Auditorium

The Auditorium now features a stunning new 3D feature rose wall – a show-stopping backdrop that adds instant elegance to your wedding decor. This artful installation captures the beauty of a rose in exquisite detail and can be illuminated in your custom colour, creating a breathtaking focal point for a head table and photography.

*Note: Royal Botanical Gardens does not offer ceremony only bookings.*

## PHOTOGRAPHY LOCATIONS

Hendrie Park | Mediterranean Garden | Rock Garden | Arboretum

Spectacular gardens provide unparalleled backdrops for your wedding photos. Our gardens feature ever-changing displays of colourful blooms and foliage, with year-round options for your photography. A complimentary photo permit is included when booking your wedding at RBG. *Valued up to \$600*





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## INCLUSIONS

### CEREMONY VENUE

- 2.5 hours of access time
  - 90 min. for set-up and guest arrival
  - 30–45 min. for the ceremony
  - 15–30 min. for pack-down
- White Garden chairs *Up to max. capacity*
- Signing table with white linen *48" round*
- One extra table with white linen
- Power access
- Complimentary parking for you and your guests

*Note: Royal Botanical Gardens does not provide wedding coordination services.*

*Each wedding will have a dedicated Wedding Customer Service Representative who serves as the primary contact between the client and RBG. Their main responsibility is managing final event logistics and creation of floor plans, and communicating these details internally to the relevant teams. The Wedding Customer Service Representative is not responsible for managing or executing your wedding timeline or day-of coordination.*

### RECEPTION VENUE

- Up to 11 hours of venue access  
*2–3 Hour set-up, 1 hour pack-down*
- Guest tables  
*Standard banquet rounds seating up to 8 guests per table*
- Head table and operational tables
- Standard banquet chairs *Varies by location*
- Up to 2 easels
- Set-up, pack-down and clean-up of included/contracted items
- White or Black Table Linens & Napkins
- Complimentary parking for you and your guests
- Complimentary access for you and your guests to all RBG properties for the day
- Complimentary Photo Permit
- RBG Branded Lectern



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## ENHANCE YOUR EXPERIENCE

### DÉCOR

3-Panel Portable Living Wall

*Set-up fee included, 4'x8'*

\$1,000

Living Botanical Centrepiece Rental

\$30

*Prices per item unless otherwise stated. Rates do not include venue rental fee. Taxes not included. Subject to availability. Subject to change without notice.*





# Rock Garden

Located 1km away from RBG Centre and established in 1932, the historic Rock Garden stands as the proud birthplace of the Royal Botanical Gardens. Embracing sustainable trends in garden design, the Rock Garden inspires with its captivating colors and textures throughout all seasons. The Great Room, spanning 3,455 square feet, provides a versatile space ideal for weddings year-round at the Rock Garden.







### UP TO 100 GUESTS

	STANDARD	SATURDAY & HOLIDAY WEEKENDS
<b>OPTION A</b>		
Courtyard Ceremony <i>Outdoor</i>	\$975	\$1,100
Upper Lawn Cocktail <i>Outdoor</i>	\$2,175	\$2,175
Great Room Reception <i>Private indoor</i>	\$3,275	\$4,275
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$6,425</b>	<b>\$7,550</b>
<b>OPTION B</b>		
Upper Lawn Ceremony + Cocktail <i>Outdoor</i>	\$2,175	\$2,175
Great Room Reception <i>Private indoor</i>	\$3,275	\$4,275
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$5,450</b>	<b>\$6,450</b>



### ENTERTAINMENT & A/V EXPERT SERVICES

RBG is pleased to collaborate with EAV Canada and DJ Emporium to offer expert services in A/V, DJ, entertainment, and technical support.

Electrical Access Fess \$395

*For package options and further details, please contact your Sales Representative*



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*Rates are subject to HST.*



# *RBC Centre - Auditorium*

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## UP TO 250 GUESTS

	STANDARD	SATURDAY & HOLIDAY WEEKENDS
Rose Garden Patio Ceremony <i>Outdoor</i>	\$1,975	\$2,975
Mediterranean Garden Cocktail <i>Indoor</i>	\$1,675	\$1,675
Auditorium Reception <i>Indoor + Outdoor</i>	\$4,275	\$5,275
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$7,925</b>	<b>\$9,925</b>

## EXCITING UPDATES!

We've invested \$500,000 to refresh the Auditorium with new flooring, modern wall décor & lighting, for an all-new contemporary space.

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## BAR OPTIONS

Enjoy our curated selection of wines, beers and ciders crafted with the finest locally sourced ingredients. designed to elevate your event with sophistication and taste. At Royal Botanical Gardens, we invite you to raise your glass and toast to unforgettable moments in the heart of nature's beauty.

**A SET-UP FEE OF \$150 + PER BAR APPLIES TO ALL BAR TYPES. Shots and doubles not available.**

*Bar prices include; set-up, bar staff, glassware.*

### OPEN BAR PACKAGES

#### HOUSE BAR RAIL

**\$63/per person**

5-Hour Bar Service with additional 2-hours of replenishable wine service at dinner.

*Up to two additional hours (7-hours total) available for \$15/per person/per hour.*

##### Includes:

- House Rail Spirits & Mix
- Choice of Peller or Gabbiano Wines
- Coors Light & Collective Arts Lager
- Corona Cero 0.0%
- No Boats on Sunday Ciders
- Assorted soft drinks & juice

#### PREMIUM BAR RAIL

**\$73/per person**

5-Hour Bar Service with additional 2-hours of replenishable wine service at dinner.

*Up to two additional hours (7-hours total) available for \$20/per person/per hour.*

##### Includes:

- Premium Rail Liquor & Mix
- Choice of 1 Red & 1 White Wine from RBG's wine list
- Stella Artois, Corona & Collective Arts Lager
- Corona Cero 0.0%
- Founder's Tequila Paloma & No Boats on Sunday Ciders
- Assorted soft drinks & juice

#### NON-ALCOHOLIC

**\$15/per person**

5-Hour Service.

*Up to two additional hours (7-hours total) available for \$3/per person/per hour.*

##### Includes:

- Coca Cola, Diet Coke, Sprite & Ginger Ale.
- Orange & Cranberry juice

##### Add Coffee & Tea

**\$5/per person**

### CONSUMPTION BAR

A consumption bar provides flexibility and transparency by allowing you to pay only for the beverages your guests actually enjoy during your event. A \$20 per person deposit is collected and drinks are tracked by our professional bartending team, who ensure accurate recording and responsible service throughout the evening. Each beverage is then charged at a per-drink rate and reconciled on your Final Event Billing.

*Signature Cocktails and Specialty alcohol available upon request. Bar closed during dinner.*

*Bar Service does not exceed 7 hours. Subject to 17% service charge. Menu and pricing subject to change without notice. Taxes not included.*



## CREATE AN UNFORGETTABLE EXPERIENCE

As part of a partnership program, RBG is proud to work with the following caterers and vendors to ensure your day is special.

### CATERING PARTNERS

RBG offers delicious locally-sourced catering options, proudly partnering with:



**Brandy Montgomery**  
*Event Coordinator*  
[brandy@equalparts.ca](mailto:brandy@equalparts.ca)  
[equalparts.ca](http://equalparts.ca)



**Amanda Bailey & Chef Scott Bailey**  
*Owner*  
[info@cityfarmcatering.com](mailto:info@cityfarmcatering.com)  
[cityfarmcatering.ca](http://cityfarmcatering.ca)



**Nicole Meriano**  
*Sales & Events Manager*  
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[figandlemon.ca](http://figandlemon.ca)



**Zahid Shahab**  
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[auntyskitchen.ca](http://auntyskitchen.ca)





## RECOMMENDED VENDORS

### PLANNING & COORDINATION

#### **Bisous Events**

[bonjour@bisousevents.com](mailto:bonjour@bisousevents.com)  
[bisousevents.com](http://bisousevents.com)

#### **New Berlin Events**

[hello@newberlinevents.ca](mailto:hello@newberlinevents.ca)  
[newberlinevents.ca](http://newberlinevents.ca)

#### **Perfect Planners**

[info@perfectplannersweddings.com](mailto:info@perfectplannersweddings.com)  
[perfectplannersweddings.com](http://perfectplannersweddings.com)

### WEDDING OFFICIANTS

#### **All Life's Milestones Weddings**

[info@almweddings.ca](mailto:info@almweddings.ca)  
[almweddings.ca](http://almweddings.ca)

#### **Rev. Deborah Coleman**

[marryme@deborahcoleman.ca](mailto:marryme@deborahcoleman.ca)  
[deborahcoleman.ca](http://deborahcoleman.ca)

#### **The Marry Men**

[info@themarrymen.ca](mailto:info@themarrymen.ca)  
[themarrymen.ca](http://themarrymen.ca)

### RENTALS

#### **Special Event Rentals**

[sales@specialevents.ca](mailto:sales@specialevents.ca)  
[specialevents.ca](http://specialevents.ca)

### FLORIST

#### **Floral Culture**

[weddings@floralculture.ca](mailto:weddings@floralculture.ca)  
[floralculture.ca/weddings](http://floralculture.ca/weddings)

### PHOTOGRAPHY

#### **Geoff Shaw Photography**

[geoffshawphotography@gmail.com](mailto:geoffshawphotography@gmail.com)  
[geoffshawphotography.com](http://geoffshawphotography.com)

#### **Jenifer Boyce Photography**

[jeniferboycephotography@gmail.com](mailto:jeniferboycephotography@gmail.com)  
[jeniferboycephotography.com](http://jeniferboycephotography.com)

#### **Nicole Kirk Wedding Photography**

[nicolealexandrakirk@gmail.com](mailto:nicolealexandrakirk@gmail.com)  
[nicolekirkphotography.com](http://nicolekirkphotography.com)

#### **Mark Zelinski Photography Design**

[mark@markzelinski.com](mailto:mark@markzelinski.com)  
[markzelinski.com](http://markzelinski.com)

### DJ

#### **EAV & DJ Emporium**

*RBG's In-House Vendor*

[sales@djemporium.com](mailto:sales@djemporium.com)  
[djemporium.com](http://djemporium.com)

### LIVE MUSIC

#### **Boutique Entertainment**

[laurenroyentertainment@gmail.com](mailto:laurenroyentertainment@gmail.com)  
[boutiqueentertainment.ca](http://boutiqueentertainment.ca)

#### **Gareth Bush Music**

[GarethBushMusic@gmail.com](mailto:GarethBushMusic@gmail.com)  
[garethbushmusic.com](http://garethbushmusic.com)

#### **L&T Entertainment**

[duo@lisetteandtyler.com](mailto:duo@lisetteandtyler.com)  
[lisetteandtyler.com/weddings](http://lisetteandtyler.com/weddings)

### HOTEL

#### **The Laundry Rooms Augusta Hamilton**

[sales@thelaundryrooms.ca](mailto:sales@thelaundryrooms.ca)  
[thelaundryrooms.ca/location/hamilton](http://thelaundryrooms.ca/location/hamilton)

#### **Waterfront Hotel Downtown Burlington**

[reservations.travelclick.com](http://reservations.travelclick.com)

#### **Hampton Inn by Hilton Hamilton**

[hilton.com](http://hilton.com)

# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

## BILLING SCHEDULE

- **1st Payment:** Full Facility Rental due at the time of contract signing to confirm your booking.
- **2nd Payment:** 50% of your estimated balance will be due three (3) months prior to your wedding date.
- **3rd Payment:** Remaining anticipated final balance will be due one (1) month prior to your wedding date.

### Accepted Payment Methods

Payment can be made with certified cheque, interact e-transfer, or credit card (all credit cards are subject to a 3% processing fee).

## SECURITY DEPOSIT

All events require a Security Deposit of \$2,000 to be paid within 30 days prior to the event date. The Damage Deposit will be refunded in full within 30 days following the Event Date should the premises, including but not limited to the event spaces and any common areas, parking, and gardens used by the Customer, be left in their original condition of cleanliness and repair.

## SOCAN & RE:SOUND FEES

All events that play recorded or live music or use music as a part of a presentation or video are subject to mandatory RE:Sound and SOCAN fees collected by Entandem to pay royalties to music composers, writers, publishers, and performers. RBG presents these fees separately to ensure our clients are only billed the applicable fees. Each fee ranges between \$10 and \$70 + HST based on the number of attendees and whether there is dancing at the event.

## EXTERNAL DJ / MUSICIAN FEE

Should you wish to utilize a DJ outside of our preferred vendor list, there will be a fee of \$395 + HST for electrical access. Vendors are provided an operational table and electrical access by RBG. Vendors are to provide their own equipment, such as a mixing console, microphones, speakers, lights, etc.

## EVENT INSURANCE

All RBG events will require the purchase of liability insurance. Proof of insurance must be submitted no later than one month before the event, with a minimum coverage of 2 million dollars. We've partnered with [Duuu](#) to offer you an exclusive rate on the event insurance policy cost. The quote and purchase process with [Duuu](#) is under 5 minutes, and emails your certificate directly to RBG.

## CATERING

### Preferred Catering Partners

RBG has selected four catering companies to act as preferred vendors. These four caterers are best-in-class, and you will be able to select the caterer you feel is the best fit for your own meal plans and budget.

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| • <b>Equal Parts Hospitality</b> – <a href="mailto:dallas@equalparts.ca">dallas@equalparts.ca</a>      | • <b>fig &amp; lemon</b> – <a href="mailto:hello@figandlemon.ca">hello@figandlemon.ca</a>     |
| • <b>City Farm Catering</b> – <a href="mailto:info@cityfarmcatering.com">info@cityfarmcatering.com</a> | • <b>Aunty's Kitchen</b> – <a href="mailto:zahid@auntyskitchen.ca">zahid@auntyskitchen.ca</a> |

## SMOKING

There is no smoking permitted anywhere on the RBG premises, including parking lots.

## PHOTOGRAPHY

RBG wedding clients receive a complimentary photography permit for the garden of their event. The gardens remain open to the public during our operating hours. Photography permits do not provide exclusive access to the garden/permit areas. Permits are for the public area of the gardens.

- Photography is permitted any time within your booked venue space for the duration of your event.



## GUEST GARDEN ACCESS

- The outdoor areas at Royal Botanical Gardens are open to the public during events.
- Guests have access to RBG public areas during our regular operating hours on the day of the wedding event.
- Guests are **NOT PERMITTED ACCESS** to Hendrie Park, or Lower Bowl of the Rock Garden after operating hours unless otherwise reserved.
- Guests may arrive to the reception venue no earlier than 30 minutes prior to the event start time.
- Guests arriving earlier are invited to enjoy garden areas.

## ACCESS TIME & EVENT TIME

### Reception Access Time

Up to 11 hours total and includes the time before and after your reception for set-up and pack-down. Our typical reception access time is 3 pm–2 am. Additional time is booked at \$350/hour. The latest time to pack-down and vacate the space is by 2 am. Starting at your access time, clients and vendors can deliver and set-up additional décor, displays, etc.

## DÉCOR AND RESTRICTIONS

RBG is a bio conservation area first and anything that may harm flora or fauna is not permitted at RBG. Couples, or those appointed by, are responsible for set-up and tear-down of all non-facilitated RBG items. RBG does not store items over night and, everything brought in must be brought out within the client access time.

- No potted/rooted plants– Succulents as favours are permissible if they are wrapped or contained on all sides. All other living plant favours must be authorized. Cut florals/ botanicals are permitted.
- No hanging items from the ceiling/plants or sticking items to the walls.
- No open flames, sparklers, fireworks, smoke bombs or smoke machines. Candles enclosed in tempered glass are permitted with the flame not exceeding ½ inch below the rim, but they must be placed on tables, **not on the ground**.
- Glass items are not permitted on the floor.
- No synthetic flower petals/confetti, glitter, rice, or seeds. Real petals or leaf confetti are permitted for tossing.
- Butterfly/Dove releases are not permitted anywhere on RBG property.
- No tampering with/decorating RBG plant material. If clients would like plants to be moved, they may request this adjustment, however it is up to approval of RBG's Horticulture Department.
- Dance floor wrapping is **not approved**
- Balloons are not a preferred décor item. Balloon releases are not authorized anywhere on RBG property. If balloons are brought in, they must be anchored to something free-standing and taken off site with the client. We will not dispose of the balloons.
- Anything used to transport décor items must be taken off-site with the client and not disposed of on-site. Items may include, but are not limited to, boxes, bags, wrapping, etc.
- RBG is not responsible for the storage or security of items brought on-site. This includes, but is not limited to, placing belongings under tables, placing toiletries for event guests in public washrooms, etc.
- **Unique décor requests MUST be approved by the RBG Sales Manager.**



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