



Museum of Science.



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Your Event at the
Museum of Science



Impress Your Guests

A nationally respected science center, the Museum of Science, Boston occupies an exceptional waterfront setting along the Charles River. Host your event here and experience magnificent vistas and offerings that surprise and delight, any time of the year.

The View

Sailboats gliding over sun-dappled water, birds crisscrossing golden sunsets, city lights sparkling at night. Since most of our event venues overlook the Charles River as well as the cities of Boston and Cambridge, you are ensured an incomparable backdrop for your special occasion.

The Experience

Dine amid high-tech devices...mingle among Mesozoic creatures...accent an occasion with a big-screen film exploit. Whether personal or corporate, your event is customized to your taste—and made truly memorable with in-house catering by Wolfgang Puck and strong partnerships with some of the area's most creative vendors.

The Museum's versatility allows us to accommodate groups numbering 15 to 4,500. Our venues are presented on pages 6 – 8. Please note that the Blue Wing may be booked alone or in combination with the Green Wing. The entire Museum may also be reserved. Capacities vary depending on type of event; for specifics: 617-589-0125, events@mos.org.



“The festivities were flawless—we cannot say ‘thank you’ enough to all of your staff. It was great fun working with you.”

— Joan (Mother of the Groom)





Personalized Service

The Wolfgang Puck team of chefs, planners, and servers is committed to realizing your vision. They develop relationships with their clients, uncovering personal preferences and unspoken wishes that enable them to customize your event and make your culinary dreams come true.



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Whether it's an intimate breakfast or butler service for 2,000, Puck's renowned à la minute cuisine offers a world-class, restaurant-quality experience.





Our halls are never the same place twice—there is always something new to experience.



Event Spaces

The Museum lends itself to a wide range of catered events: business meetings, private or corporate receptions, cocktail parties, sit-down dinners, weddings, and more. A departure from the typical social or corporate setting, the Museum offers permanent attractions accented by ever-changing traveling exhibits, films, and shows.

Blue Wing

This space encloses three levels of galleries wrapped around a towering central hall. A 45-foot-long *T. rex* lurks in one corner; an Apollo module floats overhead. Ever-changing exhibit components create a dynamic atmosphere, while soaring ceilings and expansive spaces add grandeur.



Green Wing

Stand in the right spot along the bridge connecting the Blue and Green Wings, and you are in Cambridge and Boston at the same time! Extending from the central lobby, the Green Wing houses a number of interactive areas, including exhibits featuring human biology, New England birds, and scientific classification.

Washburn Pavilion

This open-air pavilion is the only function facility located directly on the Charles. With refreshing breezes, cooling shade trees, and views toward the Longfellow Bridge, it's the perfect spot to sip cocktails alfresco or dine under a protective tent.

Riverview Café

Featuring a bank of windows facing the river, this first-floor space is generously sized to accommodate everything from large seated dinners to expansive receptions. Evening events are dramatic: inside, blue neon softly illuminates the ceiling as guests mingle below; outside, city lights dazzle.

Skyline Room

Perched on the Museum's topmost floor just beneath the 230-foot spire, the Skyline Room offers panoramic views of the river, Back Bay, Boston, and Cambridge through two walls of floor-to-ceiling windows. By day, natural light floods the space. By night, the sparkling mosaic of city lights provides a dramatic backdrop.

d'Arbeloff Suite

Located off the Museum's mezzanine level, the d'Arbeloff Suite affords a sense of privacy as well as a separate entrance to the Mugar Omni Theater. Two walls of floor-to-ceiling windows showcase stunning views of the Charles River and the Zakim Bridge. An exterior patio, ideal for meeting breaks or evening cocktails, offers fresh air and additional cityscapes.

Cahners Theater

Offering auditorium-style seating, this Blue Wing venue can accommodate meetings, product launches, and more. Cahners Theater has 300 seats and a spacious, curtained stage. An audiovisual control booth makes it easy to coordinate presentations.





“The food was awesome, everyone had such a great time and loved that we were in the Museum. I will recommend the Museum to colleagues, friends, and family when they need to host an event.”

— Jackie, SatCon Technology



Event Options

Exhibit Halls

Ranging in topic from human biology to the latest in high-tech, more than 700 permanent, hands-on exhibits are enhanced by live stage presentations and science interpreters offering one-on-one activities.

Mugar Omni Theater

This entertainment destination features New England’s only IMAX® Dome screen. Audiences are always at the center of the action—whether climbing mountains, tracking wildlife, or delving into ancient sites. Reserve tickets at least one month in advance.

Charles Hayden Planetarium

Offering a starry dome and more, the Planetarium creates out-of-this-world experiences. Closed for a comprehensive physical and technological renovation, this venue is set to reopen in early 2011. Reserve tickets at least one month in advance.

Museum Store

For science-related books, toys, gadgets, games, and a selection of sophisticated gift items, this is your go-to spot. You may arrange for the store to be open during your event.

Boston Duck Tours

Add a splash of sightseeing to your event! The Museum of Science is a departure point for Boston Duck Tours, and excursions run seasonally from April through November. Tickets must be purchased separately through Boston Duck Tours: 617-267-DUCK, bostonducktours.com.





Weddings and More

Perhaps more than any other occasion, weddings are a reflection of your personality. Offering a matchless riverfront location, the Museum presents a complete range of options for your special day. Choose from an array of unique indoor venues, or opt for the open-air, riverfront Washburn Pavilion.

The Setting

The Museum is full of creative possibilities. If you'd like the elegance of traditional décor, we can provide it. If you'd like the fun and whimsy of a theme that reflects your individuality, we can provide it. If you'd like a combination of both...we can provide it!

Social Sales Manager

Offering expertise, support, and advice, the social sales manager helps you sort through myriad options and makes recommendations as needed, whether it be determining the ideal venue or selecting a vendor based on the Museum's extensive local contacts.

Custom Reception

Our specialty is the custom reception. Partnering with Wolfgang Puck Catering, we combine a flair for quality and sophistication with the ability to carry out fanciful touches and unique details.





We Provide

- A social sales manager
- Catering by Wolfgang Puck (see page 4)
- Tables and chairs (Chiavari chairs available)
- A standard reception format of one hour for cocktails and four hours for the reception (overtime available)
- A range of amenities, including a dance floor and on-site parking (see page 13)
- Museum attractions and activities to enhance your celebration (see page 8)
- Staffing and security

Other Social Events

Don't forget—the Museum's social calendar is not limited to weddings. We also provide the perfect setting for:

- Bar and bat mitzvahs
- Christenings
- Rehearsal dinners
- Baby showers, and much more!

For more information: 617-589-0125, events@mos.org.



“The Washburn Pavilion at the Museum of Science is the perfect location for a Boston wedding. Location, view, opportunities, people, and so much more.”

— Sarah (Bride)



How We Work

For corporate events, a Museum account manager ensures that your event proceeds smoothly from day one. A Museum operations coordinator serves as your direct contact during the planning and setup phase, which begins approximately one month before your event date. **For social events (including weddings)**, the social sales manager handles all the details, from guiding you through the initial site tour to making vendor recommendations to managing the flow of activities on your event date.

Planning and Setup

With your Museum operations coordinator or social sales manager, you'll discuss setup, arrival time, programming, schedule, and floor plan. If extensive or unusual setup is required for your event, you need to make arrangements with the Museum.

Food and Beverage

When you book your event, you will be assigned a Wolfgang Puck Catering manager to review and detail your needs and expectations.

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Museum Amenities

Audiovisual Service

Our on-site audiovisual department provides resources such as LCD projection, sound systems, and screens. Additional fees may apply.

Coat Check

The Museum provides one attendant per 100 guests for up to 750 coats. A fee applies; please inquire for specifics. Auxiliary coat checking services may be arranged if needed.

Dance Floor

The Museum will provide a dance floor upon request. This service is included for weddings. A fee applies for all other events; please inquire for specifics.

Parking

All events include on-site parking in the Museum's attached, covered garage. Valet parking is not permitted.

Security

A Museum security guard may be hired (rates vary; four-hour minimum). For groups of more than 300 guests, the presence of a state trooper is required (rates vary; four-hour minimum).



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“I’ve received lots of positive feedback on the space, the food, the wait staff, and the entire event. Thank you for your wonderful support.”

— Paul, Director of Alumni and Parent Programs, St. Mark’s School



For More Information

Event and Conference Services

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