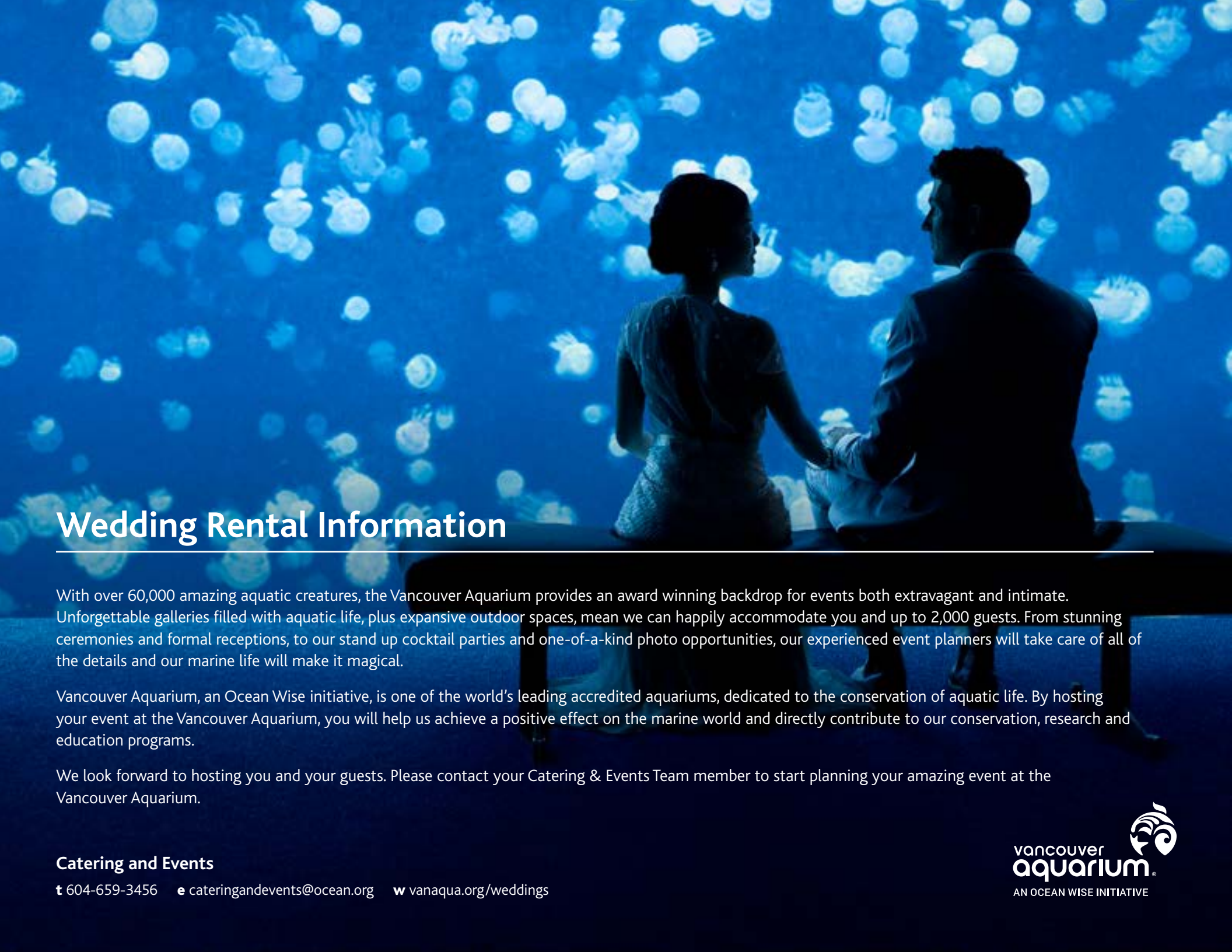

VANCOUVER AQUARIUM

WEDDING RENTAL

CATERING & GALLERY INFORMATION





Wedding Rental Information

With over 60,000 amazing aquatic creatures, the Vancouver Aquarium provides an award winning backdrop for events both extravagant and intimate. Unforgettable galleries filled with aquatic life, plus expansive outdoor spaces, mean we can happily accommodate you and up to 2,000 guests. From stunning ceremonies and formal receptions, to our stand up cocktail parties and one-of-a-kind photo opportunities, our experienced event planners will take care of all of the details and our marine life will make it magical.

Vancouver Aquarium, an Ocean Wise initiative, is one of the world's leading accredited aquariums, dedicated to the conservation of aquatic life. By hosting your event at the Vancouver Aquarium, you will help us achieve a positive effect on the marine world and directly contribute to our conservation, research and education programs.

We look forward to hosting you and your guests. Please contact your Catering & Events Team member to start planning your amazing event at the Vancouver Aquarium.

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Rental Areas & Rates

Please contact us for a recommendation on what space best fits your unique event needs and to schedule a site inspection.

GALLERY	CAPACITY			MORNING RATES		EVENING RATES		GALLERIES INCLUDED										
	Cocktail Reception	Standing Reception	Seated Dinner	Food & Beverage Min.	Rental Fees	Food & Beverage Min.	Rental Fees	Tropics	BC Coast	Pacific Canada	Frogs Forever & Lower Pacific Canada	Exploration Gallery	Wild Coast	Underwater Steller's Bay	Steller's Bay Deck	Teck Connections Lobby	Teck Engagement	Ocean Courtyard
Entire Aquarium	2,000	1,800	600	\$16,000	\$8,000	\$36,000	\$18,500	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	DECK	✓	DECK	✓	✓	✓
Main Building Enhanced	1,300	950	500	\$11,000	\$5,500	\$22,000	\$14,500	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	DECK			✓	✓	✓
Main Building	600	450	300	\$8,000	\$4,000	\$16,000	\$8,500	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	DECK					
Full Top Floor	500	375	250	\$8,000	\$4,000	\$15,000	\$7,500	✓	✓	✓		✓	DECK					
3/4 Top Floor	350	250	150	\$4,000	\$2,000	\$10,000	\$6,500	✓	✓	✓			DECK					
Canaccord	200	160	140	\$2,000	\$1,000	\$5,000	\$2,500					✓						
1/2 Top Floor	180	150	90	\$2,000	\$1,200	\$5,000	\$3,500	✓		✓			DECK					
Steller's Bay	130	120	100	\$2,000	\$1,200	\$5,000	\$3,500							✓	DECK			

Add-on Galleries	Enhance your existing gallery rental with our Add-on Galleries																	
Ocean Courtyard	500	375	225	\$5,000*	\$2,500	\$500	\$500											✓
Teck Engagement	175	130	80	\$5,000*	\$2,500	\$1,200	\$1,800										✓	
Teck Connections	200	150	100	\$5,000*	\$2,500	\$1,200	\$1,800									✓		

* This space includes outdoor and indoor space. * Food and beverage minimums may apply.

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Catering

The Vancouver Aquarium's culinary team creates a wide variety of intriguing menus for every taste and occasion. We are happy to create a menu tailored towards your event. Our goal is to offer a dining experience as exceptional as the Aquarium itself.

All of our seafood selections are 100% Ocean Wise, a conservation program that was founded by the Vancouver Aquarium to encourage ocean-friendly seafood choices. Whenever possible we strive to use sustainably sourced food through farm-to-table supply networks. We can also accommodate a variety of special dietary needs, including vegetarian, vegan, gluten-free and dairy free.

Please contact us for seasonal menu options and pricing.



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Event Enhancements

Take your event to the next level by booking enhancements for you and your guests. Whether you are immersed in a 4-D Theatre Experience, being introduced to some of our local B.C. marine life or watching our sea otter feed, your guests will have an unforgettable experience.

ENHANCEMENT	DURATION	RATE	DESCRIPTION
Steller Sea Lion Show	12 minutes	\$1,000	Are you looking for a unique and memorable experience for your guests? Come meet the Steller sea lions at Steller's Bay and get closer to them than ever before.
Sea Otter Feed	15 minutes	\$1,000	Meet and feed our loveable Northern sea otters.
Penguin Meet & Greet	15 minutes	\$750	Meet one of our adorable African penguins while one of our biologist shares with you how amazing they are!
4-D Theatre Experience	15 minutes	2 hours @ \$500 or 4 hours @ \$750	Have a cinematic adventure in our 4-D Theatre, which combines the high-definition excitement of a 3-D film with thrilling sensory effects, such as wind, mist, scents and dramatic lighting, which bring the action to life. Please ask your event planner for film options. Shows are 15 minutes and run every 30 minutes, with seating for 122 guests per show.
Wet Lab Program	2 hours	\$500	Join us for a unique hands-on experience by exploring one of two uniquely curated interactive habitats that allow guests to feel and learn about our aquatic life. Programs run every 15 minutes, with limited space for 30 guests per session.

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Frequently Asked Wedding Questions

What's included in the gallery rental?

We provide staffing, set up and tear down along with 60" round tables, high top tables, low bistro tables, white folding chairs, black and white linen, tea lights, china, flatware and oceanic centrepieces.

Do you allow outside décor?

You're welcome to bring in décor on your own through a decorator. Animal safety is our first priority so there are some items that may not be permitted. Please discuss this with your event planner.

How many hours can you rent the gallery?

Our evening gallery rentals are based on a five hour rental. On long weekends, holidays and during the summer months we close at 6 p.m. Our off season we close at 5 p.m.

Our morning rentals are from 6:30-9:30 a.m. in our off season and from 6:30-8:30 a.m. on long weekends, holidays and during the summer months.

Do you have parking onsite?

Yes, parking is onsite through EasyPark.

Do you have a bridal suite?

While we do not have a dedicated bridal suite but we do have space that you and your bridal party can have access to. Please discuss specifics and availability with your event planner.

Is your catering done in-house?

All of our catering is done in-house. Our menus are Ocean Wise® and our culinary team can create custom dishes for your event. We can also accommodate guest dietary restrictions or allergies.

Are you a licensed facility?

Yes, we are a fully licensed facility and have a wide range of beer, wine and spirits to select from. Whether you prefer a host bar, cash bar or a mix of both, we can help you stay within your budget.

Do you accommodate ceremonies?

Yes we do. There is an additional ceremony fee of \$1,200. However, we cannot always guarantee a rain plan, for specifics ask your event planner.

Do you allow outside cakes?

Outside cakes are permitted; we do ask you to sign a food waiver. We have a cake cutting fee of \$1.50 per person.

What time can we access the space?

Vendor access and setup begins at 5 p.m. in the off season and 6 p.m. in the summer, on holidays and long weekends. Please confirm with your event planner.

What galleries do we have access to?

You have access to the specific gallery you've rented unless otherwise arranged with your event planner.

When are final numbers due?

Your menu, bar and event details are due one month prior to your event. Your final guest count is due five business days prior.

How much is the deposit?

In order to guarantee your booking, we require the signed contract returned along with the first deposit, which is the gallery rental in full. The first deposit is non-refundable. Your second deposit is 100% of the estimated balance owing and is due 30 days prior to your event. Your final deposit is post your event that has anything outstanding.

What about taxes and gratuity?

Our gratuity is 18%. As a non-profit organization, our clients enjoy GST savings on all food & beverage, gallery rentals and equipment charges. An immediate savings of 5% is in addition to the added benefit of knowing that all proceeds from the event are invested directly to support Ocean Wise. We do charge 5% GST on music licensing fees, 7% PST on equipment rentals and a 10% liquor tax.

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