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National Gallery of Australia

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The National Gallery of Australia is the creative alternative for your next event. Managed exclusively by The Big Group and located in the heart of Canberra, the Gallery offers a unique event experience; beautiful food, fabulous staff and brilliant garden views.

The Big Group offers a unique wedding experience to suit your every need, whether that be an intimate dinner with friends and loved ones, a luxurious luncheon within the Australian Garden or cocktails and live entertainment, we can help turn your big moment into an unforgettable experience.



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CEREMONY

Wedding Ceremony in The Sculpture Garden - \$600 for 2 hours

In addition to your Gandel Hall reception, The Sculpture Garden at the National Gallery of Australia is the perfect setting for your wedding ceremony. There are casuarina forests, secluded sitting nooks, shady pathways and grassy knolls hidden in the garden.

Angel of the North

This is a gorgeous slated area located at the Carillon Outlook on the shores of Lake Burley Griffin. It has views of the lake's surrounds and the Carillon, and provides a perfect natural chapel for your ceremony. With a long or short bridal walk available, this area is the most popular with brides and grooms. Power is available at this site. Please contact your event manager.

The Beach Area

This area is located near the Sculpture Garden Restaurant beside our tranquil reed pond. Here you can hold your ceremony next to the Vanuatu *slit-drums* or Henry Moore's *Hill* arches.

The Clement Meadmore Area

Commonly known as 'The Knot', this sculpture by Meadmore, entitled *Virginia*, is situated next to the Carillon Outlook and is in a beautiful grassy area right near the water. You can choose to hold your ceremony using the natural rise and fall of the grassy knoll for your bridal walk. Whether under the trees or out in the sunshine, this is another naturally beautiful space for your special day.

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Wet Weather

The National Gallery has a suitable area in case of rain. Please discuss this with your event manager.



Photo: Sarah Wood Photography

RECEPTION

Gandel Hall

Gandel Hall is a majestic multipurpose space that is sure to make an impression on your guests. The hall is spacious, light-filled and exquisitely detailed with gold leaf doors and red, iron bark floors. It has floor to ceiling windows which open onto the Australian Terrace, permitting a stunning outdoor area for events, that features brilliant views of the picturesque Australia Garden and James Turrell's monumental Skyspace, *Within Without*.

Gandel Hall can accommodate up to 280 guests for wedding events including a dance area and 600 guests for cocktail events. It can also be divided into smaller sections for more intimate sized groups.

Sculpture Garden Restaurant

One of Canberra's hidden gems. A permanent marquee, allowing for an open air environment, the space is nestled within the botanical splendour of the Gallery's Sculpture Garden. Showered in natural light, the Sculpture Garden restaurant overlooks the mystic views of Fujiko Nakaya's distinguished *Fog sculpture*, which releases a fine ethereal mist.

Sculpture Garden restaurant can accommodate up to 80 guests for seated events and 140 guests for cocktail events.



Photo: Kelly Tunney

PHOTOGRAPHY

While your guests are relaxing and enjoying the stunning views and ambiance of the National Gallery Sculpture Garden, you and your wedding party can be whisked away for photographs. The Sculpture Garden has amazing photographic opportunities.

The Lake's Edge

Offers spectacular views across Lake Burley Griffin to the Carillon, the city center of Canberra and Mount Ainslie.

Bert Flugelman's Cones

These seven stainless steel *cones* can provide a quirky backdrops for individual or group photos and create dramatic illusions of size and shape.

Native Australian Gardens

The gardens have been planted to reflect the seasons and contain secret nooks, winding pathways, grassy knolls and 24 sculptures made by Australian and international artists.

Piazza Courtyard

Figurative sculptures by Auguste Rodin, Aristide Maillol, Gaston Lachaise and Emile-Antoine Bourdelle occupy the Piazza area of the Sculpture Garden. These works from the late 19th and early 20th centuries depict the many forms of human emotion.

Mist Sculpture - \$150 for a maximum of 2 hours

Fujiko Nakaya's *Fog sculpture* fashions a fine mist, which creates a mystical effect, perfect for your wedding photos.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

AV, Sound and Lighting

Our preferred suppliers include, EAVS and 4412. For all sound, vision and lighting requirements including staging please advise our event managers who would be happy to provide a detailed quote.

Parking

Please visit <http://nga.gov.au/visiting> for parking options at the Gallery.

Pricing

All bookings are subject to Terms and Conditions available from the Events team.



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