

Historic Meets Hip

EVENTS *at the* NATIONAL CONSTITUTION CENTER

Located in the heart of Historic Philadelphia, the National Constitution Center offers the perfect setting for any occasion.

Enjoy inspiring views of Independence Hall, state-of-the-art conference and meeting rooms, and dazzling event spaces.

Please contact the Event Sales team to discuss full-museum buy-out options to accommodate up to 2,800 guests.



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GRAND HALL OVERLOOK

With its 60-foot-high ceiling and sweeping windows, the Grand Hall Overlook offers a breathtaking, birds-eye view of Philadelphia's historic landmarks—making it an unparalleled location for receptions, dinners, and programs. Spanning a 100-foot-wide wall along the Overlook is the First Amendment Tablet, engraved with the first 45 words of the Bill of Rights. Rental of this space includes access to the adjacent *Signers' Hall*, one of the Center's most popular attractions, featuring 42 life-size bronze statues of the Founding Fathers. (see page 7)

Capacity

- 300 for reception and sit-down dinner without dancing
- 250 for reception and sit-down dinner with dancing
- 700 for reception-style without dancing
- 600 for sit-down dinner
- 600–800 theater-style
depending on production needs
- 350 theater-style with a reception





GRAND HALL MAIN LOBBY

Historic meets hip in this airy, elegant setting. With over 12,000 square feet of open space set against the iconic backdrop of Independence Mall, the Center's Grand Hall Main Lobby provides a spectacular start to your event.

This space is available only in conjunction with rental of the Grand Hall Overlook.

Capacity

- 600 reception-style
- 300 theater-style



ROOFTOP TERRACE

Perched above Independence Mall, our spacious Rooftop Terrace provides a majestic view of Philadelphia's famous historic landmarks. Located just off the Center's Grand Hall Overlook, the Terrace is an ideal setting for both elegant and relaxed outdoor receptions.

This space is available only in conjunction with rental of the Grand Hall Overlook.

Capacity

- 350 reception-style



JOHN C. BOGLE CHAIRMAN'S ROOM

Available for day or evening functions, the John C. Bogle Chairman's Room is an intimate venue for meetings and social engagements. Located on the Center's third floor, the space provides added privacy and comes fully equipped with advanced audio-visual capabilities. The adjacent glass-enclosed, all-weather terrace adds breakout or reception space with a spectacular view of Independence Mall.

Capacity

- 75 reception-style
- 56 for reception and sit-down dinner
- 56 in tables of eight without a podium
- 48 in tables of eight with a podium
- 50 theater-style
- 32 classroom-style
- 36 in hollow square shape
- 30 in U-shape
- 25 conference/boardroom-style



F.M. KIRBY AUDITORIUM

Combining modern amenities with the warmth and refinement of a classic lecture hall, the F.M. Kirby Auditorium provides the perfect setting for seminars, panel discussions, debates, and presentations. The facility boasts a wide-screen display, extensive audio-visual capabilities, a permanent stage, and comfortable seating. Rental includes the F.M. Kirby Auditorium Lobby and F.M. Kirby Green Room.

Capacity

- 184 guests
180 existing theater style chairs, with four additional wheelchair accessible spaces available

Several breakout spaces may be available during museum hours. Contact your Facility Rentals representative for more information.

Food and beverage is prohibited in the F.M. Kirby Auditorium.



DELEGATES' CAFE

Located on the National Constitution Center's main floor, this versatile, 6,000-square-foot space boasts floor-to-ceiling windows on two sides, providing beautiful natural light and the backdrop of historic Independence Mall.

Capacity

- 80 for cocktail reception and sit-down dinner
- 60 for cocktail reception and dinner stations
- 150 reception-style
- 32 family-style tables



CATERING

As the exclusive caterer for the National Constitution Center, Rhubarb Hospitality Collection (RHC), formerly Brûlée Catering, produces events of any scale with distinguished culinary talent, top-notch service staff, and exquisite presentation. Whether your event is elegant and extravagant, formal and professional, or casual and fun, RHC offers superior cuisine, impeccable service, and endless possibilities.

Services

- A wide range of creative menus, specifically suited to your taste and budget
- Expert recommendations on décor, specialty linens, photographers, florists, and entertainment
- Specialty catering recommendations available upon request
- Experienced, professional, and courteous staff

Contact

For menu options and pricing, please call 215.409.6639



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Featured EXHIBITS



SIGNERS' HALL

One of the Center's most popular and iconic attractions, *Signers' Hall* offers visitors the chance to stand alongside 42 life-size bronze statues of the Founding Fathers present at the Constitutional Convention.

Note: *Signers' Hall* is considered part of the Grand Hall Overlook after museum hours and may not be rented by itself. (see page 1)



FREEDOM RISING

Guests will be inspired by this 17-minute multimedia theatrical experience. *Freedom Rising* brings the Constitution to life through 360-degree projection, state-of-the-art sound and lighting, and a dynamic live actor who illuminates the American quest for freedom.

Capacity

- 326 per performance



THE FIRST AMENDMENT

Protecting some of our most cherished freedoms—religious liberty, free speech, a free press, the freedom of assembly, and the right to petition—the First Amendment is a pillar of democracy and the American way.

The 1,500-square-foot exhibit features more than 20 artifacts highlighting all five freedoms. Combined, these items capture how these rights have been defended over time, and the lengths some have gone to in order to ensure their protection.

TEMPORARILY CLOSED BEGINNING JUNE 1 FOR CONSTRUCTION

THE 19TH AMENDMENT: HOW WOMEN WON THE VOTE

Highlighting some of the many women who transformed constitutional history—including Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Alice Paul, and Ida B. Wells—the exhibit allows visitors to better understand the long fight for women’s suffrage.

The 3,000-square-foot exhibit features nearly 100 artifacts, including a rare printing of the Declaration of Sentiments from the first women’s convention at Seneca Falls, a ballot box used to collect women’s votes in the late 1800s, Pennsylvania’s ratification copy of the 19th Amendment, as well as various “Votes for Women” ephemera.



CIVIL WAR AND RECONSTRUCTION: THE BATTLE FOR FREEDOM AND EQUALITY

This exhibit sheds light on the American experience under slavery, the battle for freedom during the Civil War, and the fight for equality during Reconstruction, which many call the nation’s “Second Founding.” Through remarkable artifacts and rare documents, the 3,000-square-foot exhibit brings to life the stories of Frederick Douglass, Abraham Lincoln, Harriet Tubman, as well as lesser-known individuals central to the conflict over slavery. Explore what life was like for those who fought for freedom both on the battlefield and by the pen, and learn about the addition of three constitutional amendments that ended slavery, required states to respect individual rights, promised equal protection to all people, and expanded the right to vote to Black men.



Coming Soon

The Center is reimagining more than 20,000 square feet of exhibit space in the Richard and Helen DeVos Exhibition Hall into new galleries. In early 2026, the Center will open a gallery telling the story of America’s founding principles.

INCLUDED WITH RENTAL FEES

Basic audio-visual equipment

Standard tables and chairs (varies per space)

Onsite event coordinator,
exhibit staff, and building engineer

Accessibility for persons with disabilities



ADDITIONAL AMENITIES

Grand Hall Main Lobby Screens

Four plasma screens atop the Box Office in the Grand Hall Main Lobby can be used for PowerPoint display.

Staging

The Center has six sections of 8' x 4' staging that may be configured in a number of ways to meet your event needs.

Coat Check

Hosted coat check is available for your event. Our coat room can hold up to 1,000 garments.

Audio-Visual

Audio-visual and technical items that may be added to your event through in-house support or through our exclusive vendor, Advanced Staging Productions.

Additional Items Include:

- Wireless and hard line internet
- Dedicated audio-visual technician
- State-of-the-art audio system
- 85" video monitors
- Projector for Grand Staircase
- Audio-video recording
- Video conferencing

Parking

Evening Events

For evening events, underground, onsite parking is available at the Center for up to 120 vehicles.

Daytime Events

While parking cannot be guaranteed during daytime hours, the Center can offer discounted vouchers that may be billed to the event sponsor post-event or self-paid by guests.

The entrance to our garage is located at the rear of the Center on Race Street between 5th and 6th Streets.

Décor

The Center has mahogany Chiavari chairs available for rental as well as spectacular lighting packages from our preferred vendor, Advanced Staging Productions.

Note: Availability of certain items and services will depend on the space chosen for your event and the Center's inventory.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THESE AMENITIES, CONTACT YOUR FACILITY RENTALS REPRESENTATIVE.

