

# Unique Venues Guide 2024

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Greater Rochester



Thank you for your interest in our Unique Venues Guide for Greater Rochester.

We developed this guide as a resource to assist individuals who are seeking unusual venues for weddings, corporate events and special celebrations to discover venues they might not normally think about.

We also hope it helps the establishments mentioned here reach audiences that might not know about them.

If you know of a Unique Venue that should be included, and that does not require membership to host an event there, please email your suggestion to [Carol@CommuniVisionStudio.com](mailto:Carol@CommuniVisionStudio.com).

As always, if we, at Cheshire AV, can assist you in whatever audio visual needs you have for your event, please contact Justin Cheshire at [Justin@CheshireAV.com](mailto:Justin@CheshireAV.com) or call 585-325-4250.



Your Mission is Our Mission

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**PHONE: 585.454.9917**

Whether you are looking for the industrial-chic vibe of our Loft location, the Beaux-Arts aesthetic of our historic Midtown location or the clean and classic waterfront view of our Port location, we have a beautiful option for you!

- **Arbor Loft** - Industrial | Contemporary | Intimate  
Up to 200 Seated Guests • 250 Cocktail Style  
Our downtown location, in the heart of the East end, is full of industrial charm, greenery, and elegant golden accents. With brand new on-site suites and fresh updates, it brings a new look to the original Loft look that has been loved since 2016.  
**Location:** [17 Pitkin Street Rochester, New York 14607](#)
- **Arbor at the Port** - Waterfront | Bright | Airy  
Up to 300 Seated Guests • 525 Cocktail Style  
Many may remember it as the Fast Ferry's arrival and departures location, but now so many are calling it their wedding venue! With gorgeous new updates, the Arbor at the Port has become a bright, airy, modern venue that serves as a blank canvas for your design ideas to shine. Overlooking the river with a beautiful outdoor space, our Port location is the perfect spot for events both large and small.  
**Location:** [1000 North River Street Rochester, New York 14612](#)
- **Arbor Midtown** - Historic | Elegant | Grand  
Up to 300 Seated Guests • 550 Cocktail Style  
Originally constructed in 1926, the building boasts natural stone travertine flooring, marble-clad columns, hand sculpted wall friezes and floor to ceiling windows. Through the restoration process, we made efforts to restore all of the original 1920's elements while modernizing and brightening the aesthetic, making it a stunning venue for your event.  
**Location:** [183 E Main Street Rochester, NY 14604](#)



**PHONE: 585.288.7170**

**ARTISANworks** is a 40,000 square foot event space with close to a dozen different rooms that can accommodate almost any type of event from wedding or banquet, to product launch, trade show, corporate meeting, fundraiser, shower or holiday affair. Surrounded floor to ceiling by sculpture, paintings and contemporary art created by local, regional and international masters, your guests will be enthralled! Exceptional cuisine is available from Madeline's Catering, or you may use your preferred caterer. Your guests will long remember an event hosted at ARTISANworks!

**Location:** [565 Blossom Rd # L, Rochester, NY 14610](#)



**PHONE: 585.730.4512**

**Black Button Distilling** is Rochester's first grain-to-glass distillery since prohibition, and we make adventurous craft spirits with locally sourced ingredients. We offer 3 separate event spaces that can accommodate from 50 to 150 guests, and that are perfect for any type of event from business meetings and corporate gatherings, to social celebrations and parties. The Black Button Distilling Tasting Room is a unique venue for your upcoming events. With our all-new, state of the art distillery as a backdrop, we offer guests an inside look at craft distilling!

**Location:** [1344 University Avenue, Suite 7000 Rochester, NY 14607](#)



**PHONE: 585.352-3300**

**Chef's Event Center & Party House** - Chef's Catering was founded in 2012 by Chef Michael D. Zazzaro. When the opportunity arose for Chef's Catering to acquire Spencerport's famed Plantation Party House, that has hosted weddings and parties for 40 years, accommodating up to 300 guests, it was a 'no-brainer.' The Chef's team has renovated the exterior and interior to bring about a wedding and event space unlike any other in Rochester, NY. Chef's Catering Team is more than willing to create custom menus perfectly designed around your preferences. Their presentation and quality of food are completely unmatched. Their culinary passion and integrity will leave a lasting impression on your guests.

**Location:** [1875 North Union Street, Spencerport, NY 14559](#)



**PHONE: 585.426.6339**

**Comedy at the Carlson** - Comedy at the Carlson accommodates groups of up to 325 guests in our two unique spaces, and we are centrally located and provide ample, convenient parking. Our facilities are perfect for private parties, receptions, luncheons, fundraisers, corporate events, holiday parties, or other occasions. Available for daytime or nighttime rentals, we offer an enjoyable atmosphere, delicious food to satisfy and delight your guests.

**Location:** [50 Carlson Road Rochester, NY 14610](#)



**PHONE: 585.327.4888**

**The Eastman Museum** offers the world's leading museum of photography and film with the mansion and gardens of George Eastman, founder of Eastman Kodak Company. The beautiful estate of a world-respected innovator and renowned entertainer can be the backdrop for your event. The Eastman Museum facilities, including theaters, gardens, and areas of the museum and historic mansion are available for rental by corporate members, charitable nonprofit organizations, photography- and cinema-related organizations, colleges and universities, and George Eastman Society members. The museum also welcomes weddings, commitment ceremonies, rehearsal dinners and vow renewals. Whether you choose to have your ceremony in the mansion's Conservatory, Front Hall, or formal West Garden, you and your guests will experience the lavishness of another era in the tradition of George Eastman, Rochester's most famous host.

**Location:** [900 East Avenue Rochester, NY 14607](#)



**PHONE: 585.394.1472**

**Granger Homestead and Carriage Museum** - The Granger Homestead is a grand yet gracious historic landmark. Situated on 12 acres, it is an absolutely beautiful setting for your special event. Whether celebrating a bridal or baby shower, birthday, anniversary, corporate event or wedding ceremony and reception, the Granger Homestead would be honored to help make your vision a reality. Granger Homestead is a remarkable historic venue that will enthrall your guests.

**Location:** [295 North Main Street, Canandaigua, NY](#)



**PHONE: 585.454.0230**

**The Harro East Ballroom** exudes the elegance and grandeur of a bygone era, and is Rochester, NY's premier landmark venue. With over 15,000 square feet of fully restored 1930's Georgian architecture, The Harro East is the perfect backdrop for any gathering. A neutral palette and exquisitely classic interiors give you the freedom to customize an unforgettable event. Our grand ballroom, 1000-foot balcony, full theater stage, and Broadway-style lobby provide the perfect setting to celebrate, dine, and dance. The Harro East Ballroom is the premier venue for your special event.

**Location:** [155 Chestnut St Rochester, NY 14604](#)



**PHONE: 585.454.4596**

**The Hochstein School** is conveniently located in the heart of Downtown Rochester. Consider Hochstein for your next retreat, workshop, conference, graduation, or recognition event, among others. Optimal availability occurs on weekday mornings to mid-afternoons, but weekends can be scheduled with advance notice. Three spaces are available to rent, including the Performance Hall, with a capacity of 847, the Hilda D. Taylor Recital Hall, with a capacity of 102, and the Conference/Hospitality Room with a capacity of 40 to 50.

**Location:** [50 N. Plymouth Ave., Rochester, NY 14614](#)



**PHONE: 585.232.3595**

**The Inn on Broadway** At The Inn on Broadway, we specialize in full-service event planning. You can be ensured that every detail of your wedding, banquet, or meeting will be treated with the utmost care and competence by our highly trained staff of event specialists. We have multiple private rooms available to meet the needs of almost any size group. Our menus can be customized to fall in line with any type of event, and we will partner with you to bring your ideas to fruition.

**Location:** [26 Broadway Rochester NY 14607](#)



**BOOKING AND RENTAL FORM**

**Kodak Center** was originally built in 1959, and designed to be the finest performing arts building in Western New York. With over 400,000 square feet of conference and event space, over 1900 seats, the largest theater in Rochester, 2 additional theaters, one with 180 and one with 48 seats, multiple conference rooms with capacity ranging from 8-100, classrooms, a dining room, and over 20,000 square feet of exhibit space, it would be hard to imagine a corporate or performance event for which this venue wouldn't be exceptional.

**Location:** [200 West Ridge Road Rochester, NY 14615](#)





**PHONE: 585.258.0400**

**The Little Theatre** hosts many private and public events every year! Whether you're hosting an intimate gathering for 20 or a large group screening for 270, The Little's theaters and cafe are the perfect place for unforgettable experiences. From theatre rentals, seminars, school group screenings, wedding ceremonies, film festivals, birthday parties, and corporate meetings that need an even bigger impact, our talented staff would be happy to accommodate your event's specific needs. Plus, crowd-pleasing cuisine from The Little Café catering and favorite concessions options! (Trust us: everything is better with popcorn.)

**Location:** [240 East Ave, Rochester, NY 14604](#)



**PHONE: 585.276.8950**

**Memorial Art Gallery** Dramatic architecture. Great works of art. Unparalleled service. The meeting spaces and amenities at the Memorial Art Gallery give you the opportunity to create an event your guests or coworkers will remember for years to come. Celebrate your milestone in one of Rochester's most beautiful architectural landmarks. Whether you're planning a business event, family gathering or special occasion, the MAG can cater to your individual needs.

**Location:** [500 University Ave Rochester, NY 14607](#)



**PHONE: 585.394.7070**

**New York Kitchen** Located on the north end of beautiful Canandaigua Lake, we're the perfect destination for your private event or gathering. With awe-inspiring views, and a breathtaking atmosphere, this will be an event your guests won't likely forget. Our team of hospitality experts will work with you every step of the way to find the perfect location for your celebration. Each of our event spaces are unique in their own way, and can be tailored to fit the setting and atmosphere you're looking for. In all of our weddings, events, meetings, and private celebrations, we pride ourselves in showcasing the best of what New York has to offer, and we can't wait to share it with you!

**Location:** [800 South Main Street Canandaigua, NY 14424](#)



**PHONE: 585.244-1484**

**Radio Social** is an entertainment experience and event venue located in Rochester's historical Stromberg-Carlson warehouse. The 42,000-square-foot facility features an award-winning middle eastern menu, craft cocktail + whiskey bars, 34 bowling lanes, lounge areas, a variety of indoor and outdoor games (seasonally on the back lawn), and event space for both public and private gatherings. There's a perfect space for every occasion!

**Location:** [20 Carlson Street, Rochester, NY 14610](#)



**PHONE: 585.271-4320**

**Rochester Museum & Science Center (RMSC)** Let Rochester Museum & Science Center help you plan an event your guests won't soon forget. Galleries on all three floors provide dramatic backdrops for your special events and surround your guests with inspiration! From birthday parties and weddings, to corporate events and private celebrations, we have the venue for you! There are spaces of all sizes to accommodate any occasion! The RMSC's elegant, classic and science-inspired venues guarantee an unforgettable event and a truly memorable experience for you and your guests.

**Location:** [657 East Avenue Rochester, NY 14607](#)



**PHONE: 585.336.7200**

**Seneca Park Zoo** - Seneca Park Zoo is the perfect catering venue for your next event! We have unique venues for nearly any occasion and group size, all in the natural surroundings of the Zoo. You and your guests will enjoy delicious cuisine and personalized service from the Zoo's own catering team, Taste Catering. If you want to truly immerse your guests into a full Zoo experience, we can arrange up-close animal encounters to enhance your event!

**Location: 2222 St. Paul Street Rochester, NY 14621**



**PHONE: 415.717.6850**

**Sonnenberg Gardens & Mansion Historic Park** - Sonnenberg Gardens & Mansion offers several unique venues for private events that include indoor and outdoor options. We can help you choose between a mansion celebration offering a cocktail party option on the veranda, a small intimate party, a corporate meeting, a retreat space in the Carriage House, or a themed party in the wine cellar. At the very heart of Sonnenberg is a great love story between Mary Clark Thompson and Fredrick Ferris Thompson, so Sonnenberg Gardens & Mansion is a beautiful and ideal setting to celebrate your wedding. Depending on the size of your guest list and event needs, allow us to help you create an unforgettable experience on the grounds of the beautiful Sonnenberg Gardens.

**Location: 250 Gibson Street Canandaigua, New York 14424**



*Founded in 1848*

**PHONE: 585.244.7060**

**Temple B'rith Kodesh** - Temple B'rith Kodesh is the perfect setting for your special occasion, whether it's for a business event, a wedding, or a celebration. The Wolk Family Center can accommodate sit-down meals for up to 500 people. It features a full stage and sound system and is augmented by a full size restaurant-style kitchen. The Feinbloom Atrium is a more intimate room for gatherings of up to 100 people and features full glass walls/windows on two sides and a unique museum quality Menorah Collection on the other two walls.

**Location: 2131 Elmwood Avenue Rochester, NY 14618**



**PHONE: 585.481.8205**

**Wintergarden by Monroe's** - Whether you're getting married under the stars, at sunset, or with the warm sunshine filling the room, our premier venue will set the tone for the most magical day of your life. With the help of our team, we are able to transform the space to fit your own unique tastes and help to make your dream day come to life. This space is versatile enough that it can be used for your ceremony, reception and cocktail hour, as well as for any corporate events.

**Location: One Bausch & Lomb Place Rochester, NY 14604**

If you know of a Unique Venue in the greater Rochester region that is ideal for weddings, celebrations and corporate events, please let us know about it, so we can include it in our guide!

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