The Dawes Arboretum was founded in 1929 by Beman and Bertie Dawes. The love of trees, history and nature inspired the now over 1,800-acre arboretum which is explored by nearly 250,000 visitors a year. Over 12 miles of trails guide visitors through meadows, wetlands, woodlands, near the historic Daweswood House Museum, around a Japanese Garden and through nationally recognized plant collections.

The traditional collections and display gardens are meticulously cared for and the over 16,000 labeled plants are highly accessible to visitors. The Arboretum is proud to have the buckeye (*Aesculus*) and dawn-redwood (*Metasequoia*) member collections included in the North American Plant Collection Consortium as well as the multi-site

maple (*Acer*) collection. Other diverse areas are the witch-hazel, holly and conifer collections, the 60-acre Dutch Fork Wetlands and the Woodland Garden.

To learn more about our collections, educational programs, membership and rentals, please contact us.

Wedding Location Map





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Garden Ceremony Sites

Garden Ceremony & Firelight Room Reception Package (1):

A lovely ceremony in a beautiful garden paired with an indoor Firelight Room reception is an incredible value. This room has a stunning stone fireplace and floor to ceiling windows overlooking a Bird-watching Garden. The views offer beautiful vistas of flowers, trees and a water feature. Package includes tables and chairs in the Firelight Room, chairs for the ceremony, setup and teardown. Catering is quoted separately. This package offers a morning ceremony with reception to follow until 5pm.

Up to 100 guests | \$1,600 Japanese Garden | \$1,850 Bertie's Garden

Japanese Garden (2): This newly renovated garden space offers guests a peaceful view of bridges, islands and water reflections. The ceremony is held on the island with the guests standing around the water's edge. So as not to disrupt the serenity of the Japanese Garden, only a dozen chairs are permitted for elderly or disabled guests. Up to 100 guests | \$1,000

Bertie's Garden (3): Enjoy our charming, historical garden inspired by the diaries of our founder Bertie Dawes. Walk an aisle of beautifully manicured lawn space surrounded by flowers on both sides. Reach the stone circle path and exchange vows overlooking a pond. Chairs for up to 100 people are included with rental.

Up to 100 guests | \$1,000

Event Rentals

Included in all rentals are: free parking; self-guided tours of grounds for guests; security; event staff member ongrounds day of event; setup and teardown of equipment; and a common area for brides and bridesmaids to stage before event. Reception decorating time is offered the day before the event during business hours. Weddings are held the last weekend in May through October from 9am - 5pm. Photographs can be taken in any garden space.

Cancellation Policy

Deposits are non-refundable. Final payment is due 30 days prior to event. We do everything in our power to provide a pleasurable experience in the event of rain. *Note: There are no refunds for inclement weather.*

Preferred Caterer

Creative Catering | www.creativecateringcenter.com

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Creative Catering is the preferred caterer for The Dawes Arboretum. They are able to create custom menus to suit all tastes, diets and budgetary requirements. A variety of components including table-linens, bar setup, disposable table service and china can be taken.

Additional Caterers

Additional caterers are permitted. All caterers must have current licenses and insurance. Please contact us for details. Additional fees apply.

Beverage Service

The Arboretum allows beer, wine and champagne. Beverages must be purchased by the bridal couple and served by the caterer.

Contact 740.323.2355 or specialevents@dawesarb.org to reserve your date!



