

# CELEBRATIONS AT OLD WESTBURY GARDENS



Nestled on Long Island's Gold Coast, Old Westbury Gardens offers an exquisite blend of history, elegance, and natural beauty, all within close proximity to Manhattan.

This expansive 200 acre estate provides a perfect backdrop for any celebration, whether you're planning an intimate gathering for 60 guests or a grand affair for up to 1,000. With its stunning gardens, majestic mansion, and picturesque views, this landmark venue offers a truly magical setting for celebrations of any kind.



# History, Highlights & Features

George A. Crawley, a British artist and designer, created a cohesive estate design for the Phipps family at Old Westbury. After the deaths of Margarita and John S. Phipps, their daughter Peggie opened the gardens to the public in 1959 to honor her mother. Landscape architect Barbara Capen later redesigned the Walled Garden's borders to enhance its summer appeal. Today, Old Westbury Gardens remains largely as it was during the Phipps era, featuring rare English-style perennials like foxgloves and delphiniums, maintained by a dedicated horticultural team who preserve the estate's original vision.









# Expansive Spaces. Endless Possibilities.

Old Westbury Gardens offers a variety of breathtaking outdoor spaces that can be tented to create the perfect setting for your celebration, whether it's an intimate gathering for 60 or a grand gala for 1,000. Each potential location provides a unique ambiance, allowing for seamless transitions between your ceremony, cocktail hour, and reception. On the following pages, we've shared some idyllic areas available for tenting.





# Front Lawn

The front lawn is one of the most iconic spots on the property, offering an unforgettable backdrop of the mansion's grand facade. Ideal for ceremonies or cocktail receptions, a tented event here exudes elegance and sophistication. The space provides striking views of the Mansion and property for your guests and sets the tone for a truly memorable event.





# South Terrace

Overlooking the gardens, the South Terrace offers a beautiful mix of indoor and outdoor elements, with the option of utilizing the mansion's interior spaces for a refined, elegant affair.





An aerial photograph of a large estate. In the upper left, a historic mansion with a light-colored roof and red brick walls is visible. To its right is a smaller, two-story building. A large, rectangular lawn, the South Lawn, occupies the center of the image. The lawn is bordered by a low, ornate stone wall. The entire estate is surrounded by dense, mature trees. A winding path is visible on the left side of the image.

# South Lawn

The expansive South Lawn, situated directly behind the historic mansion, between the South Terrace and South Allée, is ideal for grand receptions or ceremonies. With views of the lush gardens and mansion, this space offers an elegant and open atmosphere, perfect for large tented events. Its size makes it versatile for different layouts, accommodating both intimate and large-scale celebrations.



# South Allée

Adjacent to the South Lawn, the South Allée offers a more intimate, tree-lined space that's perfect for a ceremony or cocktail hour, and large enough to accommodate both. Nestled between rows of manicured trees and hedges, this area creates a romantic, enclosed setting while still being open to the beauty of the surrounding gardens. A celebration here would create a magical, garden party atmosphere with a sense of privacy.







# Walled Garden

An enchanting, otherworldly space that offers an intimate and romantic setting like no other. Enclosed by manicured hedges and brick walls draped with climbing roses, this garden exudes old-world charm and elegance. The landscaping and bedded gardens are unrivaled in diversity and beauty, making this an ideal setting for a ceremony or cocktail reception for up to 200 guests. While this space can't be tented, it's a dreamy option to share with your guests as either part of your celebration, or as a transition area on route to the South Allée.



An aerial photograph of a large estate. In the foreground, a large, calm pond reflects the surrounding greenery. To the left of the pond is a manicured lawn and a circular garden bed with geometric patterns. Further back, there are formal gardens with hedges and a path leading into a dense forest. The trees are lush green, suggesting a summer setting. The overall scene is peaceful and scenic.

## West Pond

For a serene and picturesque ceremony or cocktail hour, the west lawn beside the pond is a stunning option. The tranquil waters of the pond reflect the surrounding natural beauty, offering a dramatic and romantic setting. Tenting this area allows your guests to enjoy the gorgeous water views and is in close proximity to the colonnade which can accommodate ceremonies and cocktail receptions.







# Investment

The property buyout begins at \$100,000, which includes two full days for setup prior to your event and one additional day for breakdown and load-out. Please note that the venue fee does not include catering, staffing, rentals, tenting, planning, or other elements essential to your celebration. If additional time is needed for production or setup, extra days are available at a rate of \$20,000 per day.

On the day of your celebration, the gardens will be closed to the public beginning at 4 pm. Additional hours for your exclusive use are available at a rate of \$5,000 per hour.





# Preferred Vendors

## Event Planner

In Any Event is the exclusive event planner for Old Westbury Gardens. All event planning and production-related communications, including those with other planning firms, must be coordinated through In Any Event. For more information, please contact [Hello@inanyeventny.com](mailto:Hello@inanyeventny.com) or call 212.472.7751

## Tents

Stamford Tent is the exclusive tent vendor for Old Westbury Gardens.

## Preferred Caterers

Creative Edge Parties  
Marcia Selden Catering and Events  
Olivier Cheng Catering and Events  
Sterling Affair Catering  
Kosher Catering - Creative K

## Lighting

Frost Lighting  
Luminous Design

## Accommodations

The Garden City Hotel  
The Vanderbilt



# Event Policies and Guidelines

AS THE EXCLUSIVE ONSITE PLANNER, IN ANY EVENT WILL FACILITATE THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS.

- All plans and vendors are subject to approval by Old Westbury Gardens.
- Catering, generators, bathroom trailers, valet parking attendants, tents and other vendors are necessary and not included in your venue fee.
- An 11 pm curfew is strictly enforced.
- The gardens are open to the public from 10 am to 6 pm during setup and breakdown, and closed at 4 pm on the day of your event.
- No hair or makeup preparations are permitted inside the Mansion.
- No after parties are permitted inside the Mansion.
- The picking of flowers or trimming of trees or shrubbery, prior to or during an event production, is strictly prohibited.





FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING WEDDINGS AND  
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