

# 1908 GRAND

WEDDINGS + EVENTS



## 2024 Information Packet

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# About 1908

The 1908 Grand is a stunning venue on Main Street in downtown Gainesville, Florida. Built in 1908, this newly restored and renovated historic gem offers the perfect mix of character and charm combined with modern elegance and luxury. From the breathtaking chandeliers in every room of the building, to the luxurious bridal suite, backlit onyx bar in our upstairs ballroom, large outdoor patio, state of the art house sound and lighting, and every spectacular detail in between, you won't want to miss the opportunity to host your big day here. We have a prime location in the heart of downtown Gainesville, walkable to restaurants, bars, hotels, and BnBs. We look forward to sharing our special building with you and being a part of this milestone in your life!



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# Event Rentals

## What's included?

- 3 hours of event time plus 2 hours of set up and 1 hour of clean up. Full building rentals include 3 hours of event time plus 2 hours of set up and 1 hour of clean up
- Use of fully equipped catering prep kitchen and ice machine with restaurant quality appliances for warming, prep, and staging by preferred caterer
- 60" round tables for guest seating; 8' rectangular tables for buffet, registration table, etc; high top cocktail tables; 36" round table as needed for your event floor plan
- White padded garden chairs for outdoor events; champagne Chiavari chairs for indoor events
- State of the art house sound and lighting throughout the building
- Slideshow or presentation capability on two TVs in downstairs event room

- Facility staff present during your event to monitor venue logistics
- Set up and break down of tables and chairs according to your floor plan
- Unique wooden portable bar use for downstairs event room or outside courtyard; built-in backlit onyx bar in upstairs ballroom
- Meeting with venue manager prior to your event to discuss final venue details and design floor plan



Downstairs Event Room and  
Courtyard Combination or Upstairs  
Ballroom, 3 hours of event time

Contact us for customizable packages  
to best fit your personal needs/wishes



# Our Spaces

## Downstairs Event Room

*Seated capacity- 80 pending layout*

- Original hardwood floors
- 8 sparkling vintage chandeliers
- Tons of natural light flooding through wall to wall windows
- 2 wall-mounted TVs
- Portable wood bar



## Upstairs Ballroom

*Seated capacity (buffet)- 120*

- Note that capacity increases with plated meal and fluctuates based on the layout needs
- 6 elaborate crystal chandeliers hanging from 20 foot original ceilings
- Built-in backlit onyx bar
- DJ Booth
- A stage perfect for your head table, buffet, band, award ceremony or speaking panel
- Windows all around that offer incredible natural light





# Our Spaces Cont.

## Outdoor Courtyard

*Seated capacity- 200 pending layout*

- Perfect for your outdoor wedding ceremony, cocktail hour, or sit-down event under our glistening market lights.
- Outlets along fence for DJ



## Lobby

- Grand entrance to various event spaces and restrooms.
- Large credenza that is perfect for a gifts, check-in, or food table.





# Venue Policies

- A non-refundable retainer equal to 50% of the total rental fee is due with a signed contract to hold your date
- Payment may be made by check, money order, Zelle or credit card. A 3.3% + \$0.30 processing fee will be added to credit card payments
- Rentals include 3 hours immediately before your wedding start time for deliveries and vendor access, and 1 hour of clean up immediately after your wedding ends. Additional hours may be added if necessary.
- All rental items, décor, and alcohol must be dropped off and picked up the day of your event
- A bartender must be hired with proof of insurance. Any of our approved caterers can accommodate this
- Linens are not included in the rental fee and can be rented through your caterer or another supplier
- No glitter, confetti, fog machines, rice, or bird seed are permitted. Candles must be enclosed in a glass container

- No tape, glue, staples, nails, or anything that could damage surfaces of the building are permitted
- No ladders will be provided by 1908 Grand for client or vendor use. Any items requiring the use of a ladder must be facilitated by a licensed, insured professional who provides the equipment
- All outdoor music and loud noise must conclude by 10:00pm per Gainesville noise ordinance
- Events must conclude by 10:00pm with clean up completed by 11:00pm unless additional hours are added

