

PLANNING YOUR SALEM WEDDING

Congratulations! When's the big day? There are plenty of ways to celebrate in Salem. Plan a party on a schooner, in a vault, by the seaside or amongst maritime art. Hire a trolley to magically transport your guests, or book your room block and venues within walking distance and make Salem the setting for your perfect party.

BEAUTIFUL SETTINGS

Have your photos taken with a lighthouse or tall ship. Plan a ceremony on Salem Common, where the first muster of the National Guard took place, or my the mansion that inspired Nathaniel Hawthorne. Dance the night away at the Peabody Essex Museum.

LOCATION

Just 15 miles north of Boston, Salem is located on the Massachusetts coast just 45 minutes from Logan International Airport by car and 20 minutes from Boston's North Station by MBTA Commuter Rail train. The seasonal Salem Ferry runs between Boston's Long Wharf and Blaney Street in Salem May-October.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Block rooms at the historic Hawthorne Hotel or Salem Inn or the contemporary Salem Waterfront Hotel & Suites or Hampton Inn, or rent a smaller inn like The Merchant. Accommodations in Salem and region can be found on salem.org.

PLANNING AN OCTOBER WEDDING

October is peak tourist season with Salem Haunted Happenings festivities bringing thousands of visitors to the city of Salem.

TRAVEL/PARKING: Allow extra time as parking fills up early. Weekend events effect pedestrian and auto flow, especially on Essex, Washington, and Derby Streets and Hawthorne Boulevard. Streets close for the parade (October 1, 2020) and Essex Street closes Columbus Day weekend.

AMPLIFIED NOISE: Street performers may use amplification in specified areas. Consult venues to see if your event is affected.

PHOTOGRAPHY IN PUBLIC AREAS: Salem will be busy with costumed guests which can enhance or interfere with outdoor photos depending on your perspective.

ACCOMMODATIONS: Salem is home to several hotels and inns and it is advisable to book months in advance for reservations in October, as well as during the summer months.

VENDORS: Ensure your vendors are aware that travel, loading and unloading may take longer than usual during October.

For more information on visiting Salem in October and to see a complete schedule of events planned for Salem Haunted Happenings, visit hauntedhappenings.org.

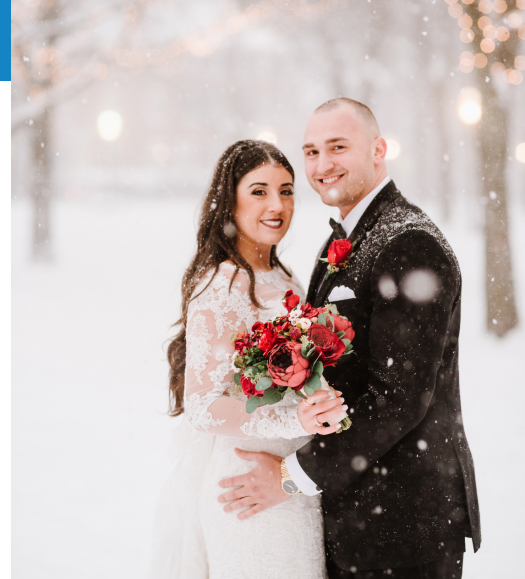
FUNCTION SPACE

Salem is a perfect spot for your next meeting, conference, reunion, or team-building event. The historic seaport has facilities ranging from classrooms to ballrooms to galleries that can accommodate meetings of 5-200.

Locations include museums, historic sites, full-service hotels, inns, restaurants and the university campus. Go traditional with a classroom style set-up or take your meeting out of the box aboard a historic schooner. If you fall in love with several locations around town, consider Salem Trolley for local transportation.

Additional vendors are ready with the finishing touches to make your event unique, from photo booths to flowers, food service to entertainment.

Visit salem.org for more ideas to make your next event a success in Salem.



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In addition to the information on salem.org, Visitor Guides are available in any quantity.



2021 Weddings & Special Events

SALEM

With rings, flowers, makeup, inns and hotels, and a great destination for your guests to explore- Salem has it all!

While planning your event, please note that all venues and businesses are required to adhere to the state's reopening guidelines. Find information at mass.gov/reopening.



GETTING YOUR MARRIAGE LICENSE

To apply for a license, the couple must come together to the City Clerk's Office. Both must be at least 18, or obtain a court waiver from the district or probate court. After filling out the application (\$40) and securing a marriage certificate (\$10) there is a mandatory 3-day waiting period that may only be waived with a court order. The license is valid for 60 days and may be used in any city in Massachusetts.

City Clerk's Office, Salem City Hall
Justice of the Peace and ceremonies can be requested at City Hall by calling (978) 745-9595 x41200.

VENUES (SMALL)

Adriatic Restaurant · (978) 594-1832
AdriaticRestaurantandBar.com

Finz Seafood · FinzSeafood.com

Mahi Harbor Cruises & Private Events
(978) 825-0001 · MahiCruises.com

Opus · (978) 744-9600 · SalemOpus.com
Satanic Temple/Salem Art Gallery
(857)-523-2200 · SalemArtGallery.com

Schooner Fame of Salem
(978) 729-7600 · SchoonerFame.com

Turner's Seafood at Lyceum Hall
(978) 745-7665 · Turners-Seafood.com

Village Tavern
(978) 744-2858 · VillageTavernSalem.com

VENUES (LARGE)

Colonial Hall at Rockafellas
(978) 745-5415
ColonialHallatRockafellas.com

Hawthorne Hotel
(978) 744-4080 · HawthorneHotel.com

The House of the Seven Gables
(978) 744-0991 · 7Gables.org

Old Town Hall · (978) 619-5685 x 42505

Peabody Essex Museum
(978) 542-1615 · PEM.org

Salem Waterfront Hotel & Suites
(978) 740-8788
SalemWaterfrontHotel.com

VENUES (CEREMONY ONLY)

Salem Parks & Rec. (978) 744-0180 x20

- Gazebo on Salem Common
- Salem Willows
- Winter Island Maritime Park

FLORISTS

David Eng's Flowers · (978) 745-0035

Flowers by Darlene · (978) 745-6967

FAVORS

Harbor Sweets
(978) 745-7648 · HarborSweets.com

Maria's Sweet Somethings
(978) 825-9111 · Find us on Facebook!

Ye Olde Pepper Companie
(978) 745-2744 · OldePepperCandy.com

INVITATIONS

Kishgraphics · (978) 741-4222

The Scarlet Letter Press
(978) 741-1850 · TSLPress.com

CATERERS

Ferreira Foods · FerreiraFoods.com

CAKES

Blue Ribbon Cakes · (978) 744-1757
Facebook.com/BlueRibbonCake

JEWELERS & GIFTS

Jenni Stuart Fine Jewelry
(978) 414-5798 · JenniStuart.com

SALONS, MAKEUP & HAIR

Andrew Michaels · AndrewMichaelsSpa.com

Laura Lanes Skin Care · LauraLanes.com

Coven Beauty Company
(978) 594-1166
CovenBeautyCompany.com

PHOTOGRAPHERS

Jared Charney · JaredCharneyEvents.com

Louise Michaud · LouiseMichaud.com

WEDDING PARTY ACTIVITIES

Bridal Food Tours
(978) 594-8811 · SalemFoodTours.com

Group Tarot Readings at the Witchery
(339) 203-1307 · TheWitcherySalem.com

NowAge Travel
(617) 380-7412 · NowAgeTravel.com

TRANSPORTATION

Mahi Harbor Cruises & Private Events
(978) 825-0001 · MahiCruises.com

Salem Trolley
(978) 744-5469 · SalemTrolley.com

OFFICIANTS

Rev. Jerrie Hildebrand · (978) 828-0222
CeremoniesandPassages.com

Laura Assade: Justice of the Peace
(978) 304-2101 (cell) · English/Español
WeddingWire.com/JusticeLauraAssade

Visit Salem.org for places of worship.

