



FACILITIES RENTAL
Sciencenter

HOST YOUR NEXT EVENT AT THE SCIENCENTER!



The Sciencenter, a hands-on science museum in Ithaca, NY, was built by volunteers over 30 years ago. It offers educational programs and interactive exhibits for children and families. The museum reaches audiences who have historically faced barriers to accessing hands-on STEM education in partnership with community-based organizations, libraries, and schools.

A vital regional resource and nationally recognized, the Sciencenter welcomes over 105,000 visitors from all 50 states and nearly 3,000 students annually. 22% of these visitors benefit from free or reduced admission. The Sciencenter's outreach programs reach another 6,000 community members, and its traveling exhibits engage more than one million people worldwide each year.

FACILITY USE & RENTAL INFORMATION

Your Rental Fee Includes:

- Exclusive access to the reserved space for **up to 5 hours**, including time for event setup and breakdown. (Setup may begin after 5:00 PM. Not applicable to hourly rentals.)
- Support from a **dedicated Sciencenter staff member** throughout your event.
- Use of **tables and chairs for up to 50 guests**.



SCHEDULING YOUR EVENT

- Events must be **booked at least four weeks** in advance.
- Events may begin at **5:30 PM**, and must **end by midnight**.
- Guests can enter starting at **5:15 PM**, after the museum closes to the public.
- All **contracted vendors** (e.g., caterers, musicians, decorators) must be **pre-approved** by the Sciencenter **before** you enter into an agreement with them.
- The Sciencenter requires that the lessee secure **general liability insurance coverage** of at least **\$1,000,000** for the event.
- The Sciencenter must be listed as an **additional insured party**.
- A **Certificate of Insurance** must be submitted at least two weeks prior to the event.
- Failure to provide proof of insurance will result in **cancellation of your reservation** without a refund.
- Admission to the galleries is **not included** in the rental fee during operating hours.

PARKING

Complimentary and convenient parking is available on-site for all guests.



DECORATIONS

To preserve the museum's exhibits and ensure guest safety, please review the following decoration guidelines:

All decorations must be **freestanding** and approved by Sciencenter staff.

- **Exhibits may not be moved or altered** for private events.
- **No open flames** permitted, except for **small votive candles** in containers where the sides are higher than the flame.
- **Confetti, glitter, and birdseed** are not allowed anywhere on museum grounds.



RENTAL RATES & SPACES

Rental fees include up to **5 hours of total facility use** (event time + setup/breakdown):



ENTIRE MUSEUM

\$4,000

Transforms your event into a one-of-a-kind experience! Perfect for large-scale celebrations and corporate events, full facility rental gives guests exclusive access to all galleries and exhibits.

Capacity: 1,070 guests



FIRST FLOOR GALLERIES

\$2,000

Offers guests an engaging experience surrounded by hands-on exhibits. Ideal for cocktail receptions, networking events, or celebratory gatherings.

Capacity: 500 guests

Ask us about adding on an experience!

RENTAL RATES & SPACES

These spaces are perfect for small gatherings such as meetings, presentations, workshops, or intimate receptions.

Hourly rentals are **\$125 per hour** with a **two-hour minimum** (event time + setup/breakdown):



CONNECTION ZONE

Saturdays only, 10 am- 5 pm

Standing: 110 guests

Seated: 48 guests

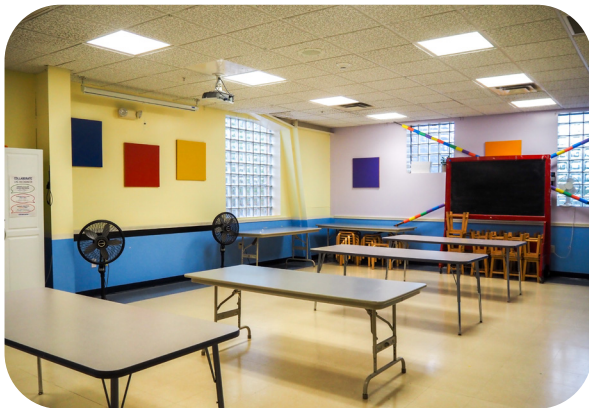


COMMUNITY ROOM

After hours only

Standing: 100 guests

Seated: 54 guests



CLASSROOM

Weekdays only, 1-5 pm

Standing: 49 guests

Seated: 40 guests



DISCOVERY SPACE

Weekdays only, 10 am-5 pm

Standing: 49 guests

Seated: 31 guests

RENTAL ADD-ONS

Available for any rental (additional \$50 each):

Podium

Projector Screen

Microphone


Tablecloths

BOOK YOUR EVENT!



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