



Host your special event at the
Museum of the Earth





About the Museum of the Earth

The Museum of the Earth was established in 2003 to provide the general public with a unique opportunity to explore our world through a mix of natural history displays, interactive science features, and art exhibitions. The museum's 8,000-square-foot permanent exhibition takes visitors on a journey through 4.5 billion years of history, from the Earth's origin to the present day.

The Museum of the Earth offers an extremely unique setting for any type of event. Whether you are hosting a corporate reception, holiday party, wedding, formal dinner, bar or bat mitzvah, birthday party, lecture, workshop or small business conference, the Museum of the Earth is the place. Your rental will go to a great cause; all rentals directly benefit the Museum's education programs.

Our staff understands that each event is unique and can offer a variety of options that will suit your needs. We also offer special rates for non-profit organizations.



Event Spaces

Entire Museum

Seated Dinner – 208

Standing Reception – 400

The Entire Museum is available for you to host the perfect event.



Borg Warner Gallery

Seated Dinner – 128

Standing Reception - 150

The Borg Warner Gallery showcases two new exhibitions per year. Our majestic, North Atlantic Right Whale sets a unique stage for all types of events: receptions, dinners, dances, concerts, lectures and much more.

Ice Age Gallery

Seated Dinner – 32

Standing Reception – 50

The Hyde Park Mastodon takes the stage in the Ice Age Gallery. With direct access to our stunning Gorge Garden, you have the option to host your cocktail hour in the Garden and move inside for an intimate dinner.



Ray Van Houtte Museum Classroom

Seated Event – 25-60 (variety of seating options)

The Ray VanHoutte Museum Classroom is a great place to host small conferences, birthday parties, meetings, retreats or luncheons. This room is available during Museum hours.

Gorge Garden (Seasonal)

Standing Reception – 75

The Museum of the Earth's entrance plaza invites you into a "gorge" with our exquisite Gorge Garden nestled at the bottom. Complete with native plants that are typically found in our local gorges.



Specialty Packages

Wedding Package

- 5 hours of full Museum rental.
- Staff member on duty for your entire wedding.
- 2 hours before and after for set up and breakdown.
- Kitchen use for prep and refrigeration.
- Use of audio visual equipment.
- Event consultation and assistance with coordinating logistics.

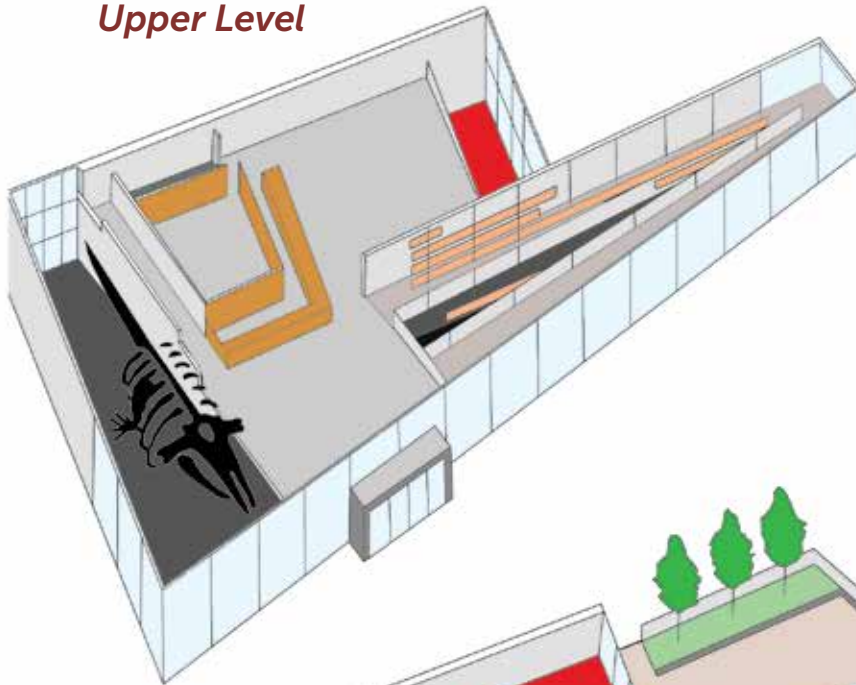


Birthday Parties

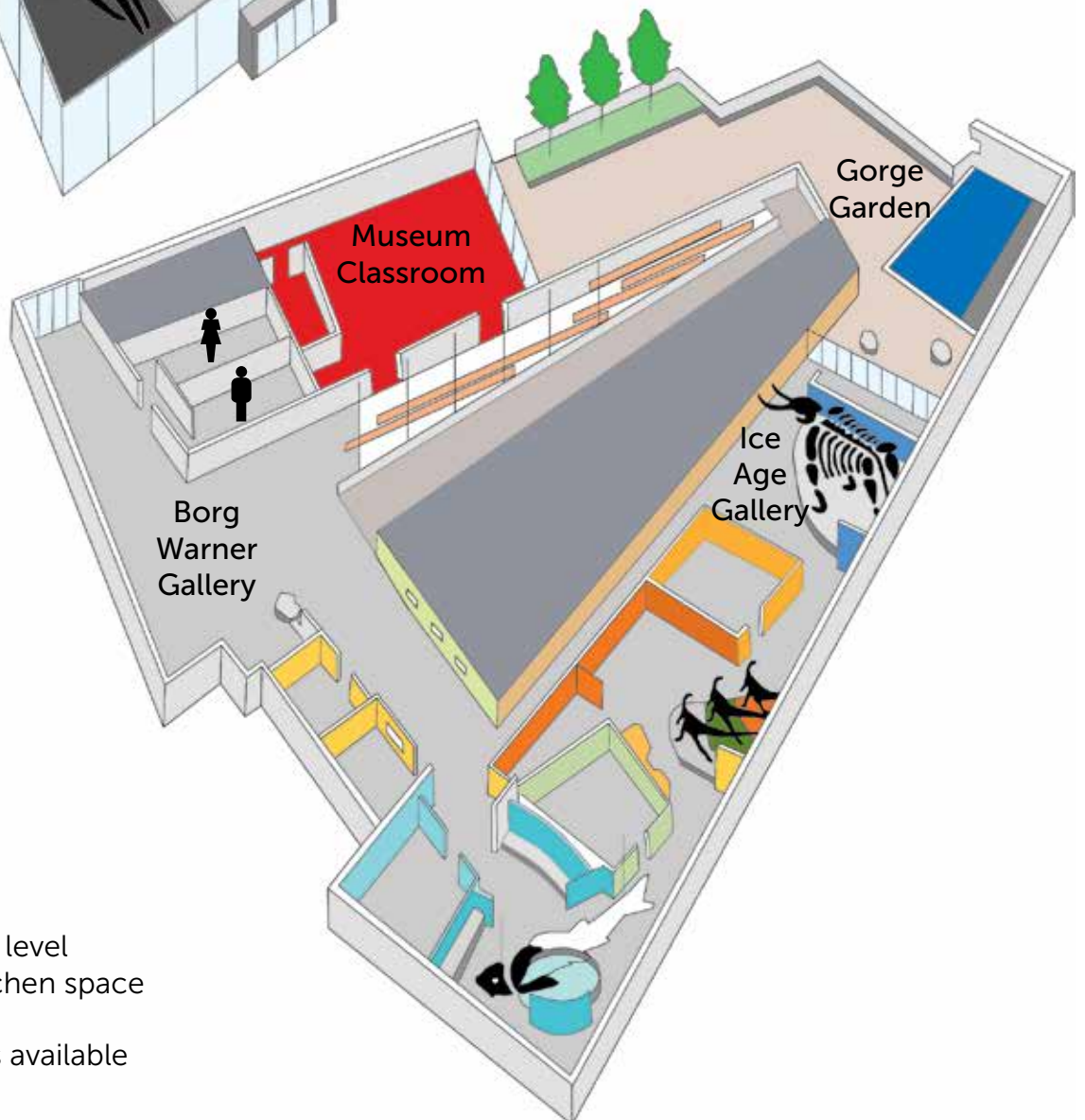
- Basic package includes a party for up to 15 children (including the birthday child) and 10 adults.
- Additional guest reservations can be added up to a maximum of 20 children.
- 2 hours private classroom usage (includes half hour for set up & clean-up).
- 20 minute "Dinosaur Science" program this includes educational instruction and touchable specimens for the children to explore.
- Take-home activity for children.
- Occupying activities for duration of party.
- Goodie bags available at an additional cost.
- Complementary one year family membership for non-members.

Museum Layout

Upper Level



Lower Level



- Coat rack on upper level
- Rest rooms and kitchen space on lower level
- Example floor plans available upon request

Special Programs

Adventures Through Time

The Museum offers a variety of educational programs suitable for all ages. Topics range from dinosaurs, life during the Ice Age, to the history of life on Earth. Please inquire if you are interested in adding a programmatic element to your event.



For more information or to set up a tour, please contact our Director of Visitor Services at (607) 273-6623 x29, or email us at rentals@museumoftheearth.org



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