



NATIVE GARDEN



EVENTS AT INDEPENDENCE GROVE, a Catering by Michael's Company and the exclusive caterer to Independence Grove, has developed a reputation of being the leading innovator in the special event catering industry in the Chicago area. Combining excellence in service with creative presentation, contemporary menus and a staff that is second to none, Events at Independence Grove offers unique menu options, from plated dinners to spectacular cocktail receptions and interactive themed stations.

INDEPENDENCE GROVE, Lake County's newest "natural treasure", is located approximately 2.5 miles west of IL-294 at the IL-137 exit, in north suburban Libertyville. This lovely 1100-acre preserve contains a beautiful indoor/outdoor special event facility (Audubon Hall), an outdoor event pavilion (North Bay Pavilion) and a stunning Native Garden, all of which have been built around a 115-acre lake, complete with marina, swimming beach and a walking trail with bridges.

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FOR YOUR SPECIAL EVENT, our repertoire of social and corporate customized full service parties include black tie galas, sit down dinners, creative theme parties and Event's ever-so-popular gourmet grill parties. Our professional event planning staff can assist you with menu selection, beverage service, equipment and linens, service personnel, props, decor, flowers and more.

AUDUBON HALL, located at the highest point in the preserve, offers a panoramic view of the marina, lake and beach. This handsome structure is constructed with cedar, stone and glass that wonderfully complement the natural resources of the preserve. The elevated ceilings and the spacious design make this the perfect setting for a wedding, bar/bat mitzvah, holiday party or corporate meeting.

Audubon Hall also has spacious indoor and outdoor pre-function (cocktail) areas, and can comfortably accommodate a sit-down event of 50-350 guests, or a cocktail event of 500. Reservations are now being taken.



AUDUBON HALL



NORTH BAY PAVILION, the rustic outdoor event setting, is situated on scenic North Bay. This striking cedar pavilion and adjacent open area is perfect for a corporate picnic, outdoor wedding or any other "lakeside" special event. North Bay Pavilion, which can accommodate 50-500 guests, offers its own parking lot, picnic tables, stone fireplace, pedal boats, sand volleyball, fishing pier, bicycle, hiking and jogging trails. Reservations are now being taken.

THE NATIVE GARDEN, located along the southeast edge of the lake, is a unique botanic experience complete with lush flowers and foliage, fountains, wooden pergola and gazebo, wood and wrought-iron benches and rolling red brick walkways. This venue is the ideal outdoor setting for a dream wedding with photographic memories that will be second to none. Ceremonies may be performed under the pergola or gazebo, followed by dining and dancing under the stars at the Millennium Plaza.

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