


*From exchanging vows
to the first dance...*

Host Your Historic Event

**at the Waterloo
Region Museum**





The Waterloo Region Museum is one of the most sought-after venues for brides and grooms

Located in Kitchener, Ontario, we are the ultimate place for an exceptional, one-of-a kind ceremony and reception. Your wedding day is as important to us as it is to you.

At the Waterloo Region Museum, we are dedicated to making your special day unforgettable. Memories last forever, and we take great pride in ensuring your wedding day is as extraordinary as your lives will be together.

Doon Heritage Village and museum galleries are located on 60 acres, offering a multitude of ways to entertain your guests. Built in 2010, the award-winning Waterloo Region Museum is a breathtaking building.

The Waterloo Region Museum is the ideal venue for your significant day, offering a unique, memorable experience, you and your guests will cherish for years to come.



Where **YOUR**
story begins...





Distinctive **CEREMONIES**

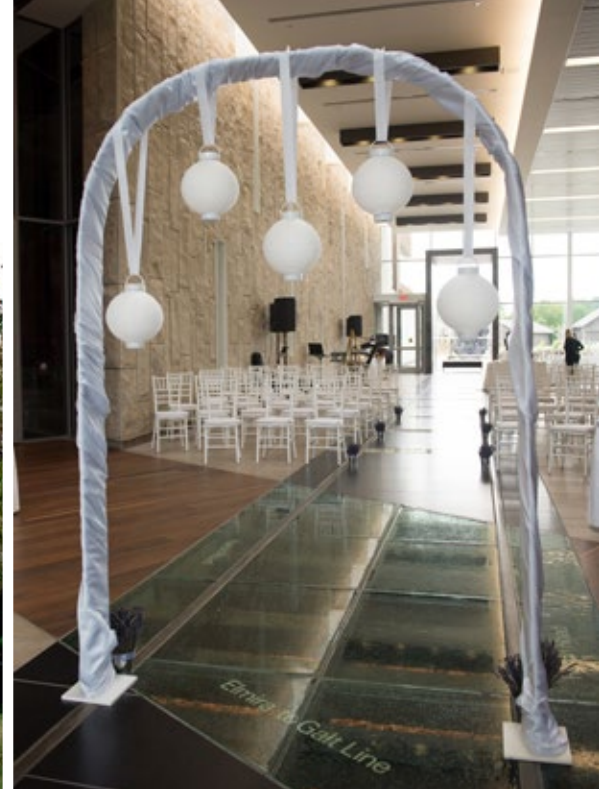
The Waterloo Region Museum offers a diverse range of indoor and outdoor ceremony settings.

The *Willow Green Gazebo* presents a beautifully-manicured backdrop, lined with willow trees in Doon Heritage Village. Set your day apart from the everyday. It is the ideal backdrop for an outdoor option that is easily accessible, historic and quaint with a seating capacity for 120.

The *Museum Patio* offers a unique choice for an outdoor wedding. This space is a perfect intimate setting to exchange vows. It is adjacent to fields often housing horses, and our ever-present historic train engine.

Please note outdoor functions are available exclusively from May to October. All of our ceremony rentals include a one hour rehearsal.





Going to the Chapel...

The *Freeport Church* offers unique ambiance; it is a charming, non-denominational historic chapel built in 1861.

With seating for 100, this intimate setting provides traditional touches exclusive to a vintage church. Imagine the ceremony bathed in soft light from luminous oil lamps, and the ornate, professionally serviced pump organ captivating guests with its resonating sound. There are hardwood floorboards throughout, with walls stencilled in decorative periwinkle blue borders. Natural light streams in from the expansive glass windows, and the distinctive chime of the church bell marks the end of the service.

The chapel is perfect for an elegant ceremony; its historic charm and old-world style warms the heart.

Formal elegance awaits

The *Grand Foyer* in the Waterloo Region Museum offers a striking non-traditional option for evening ceremonies. The foyer presents natural surroundings with barn timbers and limestone walls. Your aisle will be an illuminated glass train track. Add a romantic touch and recite your vows under the large skylights in this one-of-a-kind setting.

RECEPTIONS

Create your own day in history in The Grand Foyer

At 5,200 square feet with more than 20-foot ceilings, guests will be in awe of our awarding-winning space.

Showcasing natural elements throughout including barn timbers, limestone, and illuminated tracks embedded in the floor, it's a space to experience.

Overlooking the rural landscape of Doon Heritage Village, where horses are often found grazing in the fields next to the ever-present train engine, sunsets cascade into the Grand Foyer from the setting western sun.

The *Grand Foyer* is ideal for intimate gatherings or grand celebrations. It comfortably seats 150 guests or more than 300 guests for stand-up receptions. An on-site corner bar ensures guests needs are catered to. Mingle outdoors with cocktails on our fully licensed patio.

After hours rentals provide you and your guests' exclusive access to our facility. The wedding party can enjoy a quiet space away from the reception area to refresh and unwind.

History meets modern-day technology

Reminisce and enhance your day with a sweet sentimental touch.

Adjacent to the striking *Grand Foyer*, the 114-seat Christie® Theatre offers state-of-the-art technology to show home movies and sentimental slide shows.



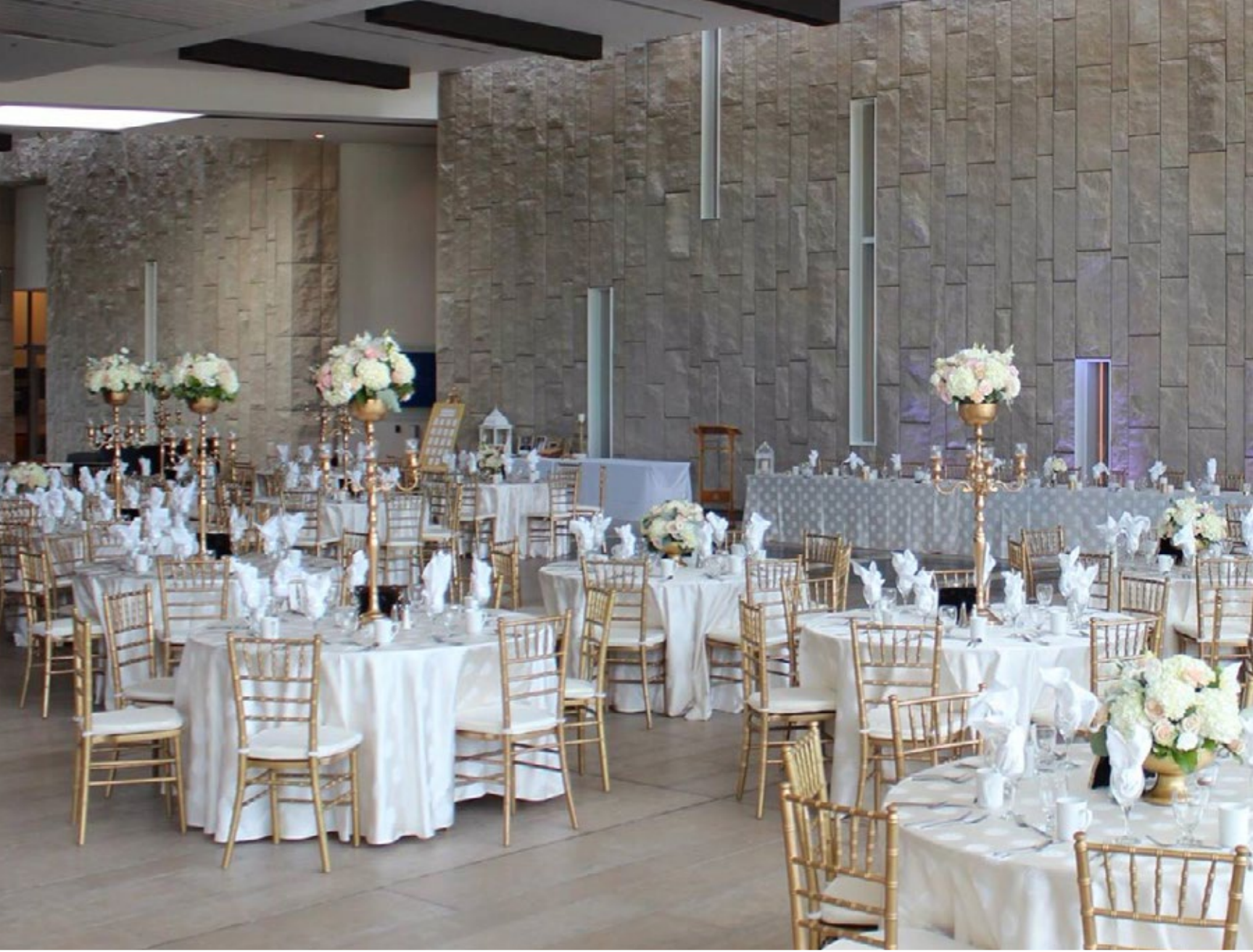


Breathtaking **PHOTOGRAPHY**

A location like no other. Our breathtaking views and historic rural buildings are the perfect backdrop for photographs. Reserving your ceremony or reception gives you and your wedding party exclusive access to Doon Heritage Village. It is a quaint, living history village, depicting rural life in 1914.

Wander down the gravel paths that lead the way to picture perfect homes and shops from a bygone era. Stop by the Railway Station, complete with train engine, walk through a covered bridge and visit the traditional Fire Hall, Blacksmith Shop, farms and flower gardens.





CATERING

Please be seated...

Your table is ready for a historic event

The Waterloo Region Museum has exclusive local caterers who can meet your every need from a casual reception with bar service, to a gourmet plated dinner.



DETAILS

Deposits and Payments

For confirmation, a deposit and signed rental agreement is required. Three weeks prior to your wedding date, the remaining balance and your insurance certificate are required. Method of payments are cash, cheque, credit or debit.

Room Access

Your room set-up may begin at 2 p.m. All catering and decorating staff can begin to arrive at this time. Please note the museum is open to the public until 5 p.m.

Decorating

To maintain the integrity of the museum and historic buildings, only free-standing decorations are allowed. Candles or open flames are not permitted. Nothing can be tacked, taped or affixed to any surface. The use of confetti, petals, bird seed, etc. is prohibited. A cleaning charge may be applied.

Fully Accessible

Our site is wheelchair accessible. Two wheelchairs are available at our Guest Services desk. Arrangements can be made for any guests with mobility issues to be driven to the Freeport Church or Willow Green. Please inform our staff of any specific guest needs.

Photography

Professional photography is only permitted when we are hosting either your wedding ceremony or reception. Please note only exterior photography is allowed in the village, with the exception of the church. Photography cannot be booked in advanced, and no reservations or times for particular locations will be accepted. The consumption of alcoholic beverages is not permitted in the village.

Articles left behind

The museum does not permit the storage of overnight items. Please ensure arrangements have been made for all your decorations and other articles to be removed from the building immediately after your ceremony and reception. We will make every effort to locate any reported lost items.

Ceremonies

Ceremony bookings are two hour rentals. All decorations, the ceremony and photography must be completed within the allotted time. A one hour rehearsal is included in any ceremony rental. Please note rates do not include an officiant, decorations or music. A Willow Green ceremony does require the rental of chairs and any other items you may require. In case of inclement weather or flooding, the church will be used as an alternate location for the ceremony. The church does not offer electricity and is not air conditioned. All music must be acoustic; no recorded music is permitted inside the church.

Receptions

Receptions may begin after 6 p.m. The museum's exclusive caterers must provide all food and beverage items including alcohol. They will also provide tables, chairs, linens, etc. as the museum does not own these items. Please note the museum does require a two million dollar liability insurance certificate, through any certified insurance provider and SOCAN fees may be applied.

Photography Credits

Anne Edgar Photography, A Million Words Photography, Erica Riewald Photography, Fresh Look Design, Melissa Weber Photography, Sheila Braam Photography, Tom Arban Photography

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