



Office of Special Events

Thank you for your interest in the Torpedo Factory Art Center - one of the nation's largest and most successful visual arts centers - visited each year by more than 800,000 art lovers.

Searching for an unconventional event site? The rich assortment of fine arts and crafts displayed in the 83 studios and six galleries makes a perfect backdrop for an unforgettable evening – casual or elegant. Built in 1918 to manufacture torpedoes like the one displayed on the first floor, the award-winning renovation of this striking three-story building retains its identity as a former factory – complete with exposed pipes, ductwork, and smokestack – while taking a magical turn at night.

Featuring a whimsical spiral sculpture staircase, the surrounding balcony and catwalks offer an exciting location for cocktails, caricaturists, or strolling musicians, and a view of the dramatic two-story atrium. The main hall measures approximately 150'x25' feet with attractive, newly renovated restrooms and full access to those with disabilities. Larger groups find the addition of the third floor and its unique layout perfect for proms or galas. For a hands-on art experience the rooms in the Art League Gallery may be combined with the main floor to also accommodate larger groups, provide VIP space, or create an intimate lounge. For a spectacular view of the Potomac Riverfront up to a 30'x80' tent may be placed on the bricked terrace behind the art center for a wedding ceremony, cocktail hour, auction, or whatever your event requires – adding yet another possibility to this remarkable setting in historic Old Town Alexandria.

We cordially invite you to consider the Torpedo Factory Art Center for your next event. Please review the enclosed information and contact me with questions or to arrange a tour. I can be reached at 703.838.4565 x2 or by e-mail at events@torpedofactory.org.

Regards,

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