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Introduction

This list is an ongoing compilation of free and lower cost venues (such as event rentals go), first started in August 2018. The fee venues were most compiled from [Yelp](#), along with an outstanding list of Arlington resources compiled by Wynelle Evans for a recent dance party (thank you, Wynelle!).

The list is by no means comprehensive. Have a suggestion? Please let us know! Email swingleftgreaterboston@gmail.com

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General Information

Other Low/No Cost Public Venues

Many folks use large, public cafes with lots of seating (e.g., [Panera](#), [Starbucks](#), [Cafe Nero](#), [Brueggers Bagels](#)) for postcard parties. A lot of folks have also used the [ArtLounge](#) (Arlington, MA) for postcard parties (see below for more information).

Many houses of worship will also let you use their meeting spaces for free or low cost rental.

Some local breweries ([Aeronaut](#) in Somerville and [Democracy Brewing](#) in Boston) have also hosted fundraisers, election watch parties/text out the vote, meetings, and other events; see below for more information.

Movie Screenings

- Many public libraries have AV facilities, but will not allow fundraisers (see public library listings in the table of contents). Non-ticketed, online contributions might be a workaround.
- [WorkBar](#) is another possibility, if you want to charge money (albeit pretty pricey). You can also [rent WorkBar event spaces for 20-200 people](#), even if you do not have a membership.
- Coolidge Corner Theater (Brookline, MA) rents 27, 45, 217, and 440 person theaters. [Learn more here.](#)
- Capitol Theater (Arlington, MA) is available for rental. [Learn more here.](#)



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- Somerville Theater (Somerville, MA; 876 capacity) is available for rental. [Learn more here.](#)
- Landmark Theater (Kendall in Cambridge and Embassy in Boston). [Learn more here.](#)

Campaign Contributions/In-Kind Donations

If you buy food or make snacks, or reserve a hall, please reserve [contribution guidelines for in-kind donations](#) and Swing Left's [Campaign Finance Guidelines](#) for Hosting District Funds Fundraisers.

Activist Afternoons

Looking for a weekly Sunday afternoon (4-6 pm each Sunday) to host your event, and provides support for all organizers? Check out [Activist Afternoons](#) in Cambridge, Central Square.

Public Libraries

About Public Library Bookings

Many public libraries offer meeting rooms free of charge, provided the meeting is free and open to the public. Most give priority to municipal residents or groups. ***Do check and make sure it is alright to host a Swing Left event, and give the mission of Swing Left Greater Boston, if it***



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is a SLGB activity (see home page of web site). Some libraries will not allow partisan events.

Here is a list of local library room reservation pages and policies:

Acton Public Library

[Learn more here.](#) "The Meeting Room and Conference Room are available for use by community groups, nonprofit organizations, and Town Boards and Committees."

Arlington Public Library

[Learn more here.](#) "The meeting rooms are available to local governmental and non-profit groups for educational, informational or cultural meetings or programs. All meetings must be open to the public regardless of whether an individual is a member of the organization. The meeting rooms are available free of charge during regular library hours. The Community Room holds 114, the Conference Room 14 people and the Fox Community Room 150. Refreshments may be served in the Community Rooms."

Bedford Public Library

[Learn more here.](#) "As a public service, the Library welcomes the use of its meeting and conference rooms for non-profit groups or organizations of a civic, cultural or educational character. All meetings are open to the general public if they wish to attend. Rooms are not available for the benefit of private individuals (including but not limited to parties, private functions, play dates, etc.) or commercial enterprises."



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Boston Public Library

[Learn more here](#). Open to non-profit groups, if the event is free and open to the public, however “does not permit any partisan political activity to occur at any of our Library locations” (per 1/2/2019 email with jmaneikis@bpl.org, Special Events Office acting director) The application form asks for the 501(c) number, but says it is also open to “designated non-profit groups and organizations for meetings that are educational, philanthropic, or civic in nature.” There is a separate application for the Central Library and branch libraries, and branch library application must be submitted at least three weeks in advance.

Brookline Public Library

Check the [library calendar](#).

[Learn more here](#). “Three individual study rooms at our Brookline Village location, the Public Library of Brookline has three large meeting rooms (one at each location) and one conference room (at Brookline Village) available for public meetings of a civic, educational, or cultural nature. These meetings must be free and open to the public and cannot be strictly social in nature (e.g., no private parties).”

“• No fees for programs sponsored by Brookline libraries, Brookline school and Brookline town departments • \$45.00 for up to four hours for non-profit groups (proof in the form of a 501(c)3 or ST-2 certificate must be given to PLB Administrative Office at time of booking) • \$90.00 for up to four hours for other groups or individuals • Use of a room for more than four hours requires the payment of an additional fee of \$45.00 for non-profit groups; \$90.00 for other groups, individuals or organizations • \$20.00 for 1 hour of rehearsal time for scheduled programs, which must be scheduled at time of application • Piano must be tuned at organization’s expense, using the library’s tuner (Tony McKenna: 617-484-5600).”



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Burlington Public Library

[Learn more here.](#) "The Burlington Public Library has meeting rooms of varying sizes that are available for use by community groups at no charge...One large meeting room on the building's main floor can accommodate up to 100 people. Sliding partitions can divide the space into as many as three smaller rooms that will each comfortably hold about 30 individuals. These smaller spaces are named Fogelberg A, Fogelberg B., and the McIntire room. A conference room on the Library's second floor, called "Meeting Room 4", is appropriate for use by groups of up to a dozen people. Individual study rooms that will accommodate 1-3 people are available on a walk-in basis."

Cambridge Public Library

[Learn more here.](#)

Canton Public Library

[Learn more here.](#) "The Canton Public Library offers meeting rooms to non-profit, for-profit, civic or educational groups. See room descriptions for fees and availability."

Chelsea Public Library

[Learn more here.](#)



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Concord Public Library

[Learn more here.](#) “The Concord Free Public Library has three meeting rooms and one small study space (limited to three people) that can be reserved for use by non-profit groups or organizations only. The Trustees' Room located in the Main Library can accommodate up to 25 people. The Main Library's Lower Level meeting room can accommodate up to 15 people. The Fowler Branch Library's meeting room can accommodate up to 50 people.”

Dedham Public Library

[Learn more here.](#)

Dover Public Library

[Learn more here.](#)

Essex Public Library

[Learn more here.](#)

Framingham Public Library

[Learn more here.](#) “The meeting rooms at the Framingham Public Library are available to groups and organizations for meetings or programs of an educational, informational or cultural nature, for the benefit of the Framingham community. All events and programs must be open to the public.”



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Gloucester Public Library

[Learn more here.](#) “The Sawyer Free Library has several spaces available for reservation for small and large groups. Reservations may be made in person, by phone, or online up to three (3) months in advance. Rooms may be reserved for not-for-profit civic, educational and cultural activities, as well as discussion of current public questions and concerns, and for-profit activities such as co-working, business meetings, and solo-entrepreneurship.”

Harvard Public Library

[Learn more here.](#)

Ipswich Public Library

[Learn more here.](#) “When meeting rooms are not being used for library programs, the Library Trustees welcome the use of the meeting rooms by non-profit groups whose primary clientele are Ipswich residents.”

Lexington Public Library

[Learn more here.](#)

“Priorities for using the library’s meeting rooms have been established in keeping with the library’s mission and service goals:

1. Library-sponsored programs and those offered by groups and organizations affiliated with the library (CML Foundation and Friends of CML)



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2. Town of Lexington departments and committees
3. Programs presented by the library's community partner organizations including Lexington Veterans, League of Women Voters
4. Non-profit neighborhood and community-based groups, civic groups, and non-commercial organizations serving the needs of the Lexington community

Meeting rooms may be used by political groups for meetings of an informational nature that are open to the public. They may be used for public forums, debates, and group candidates' nights. Rooms may not be used for direct campaign activities for individual candidates. Meeting rooms are not available for private meetings or functions such as parties or play groups. Meeting rooms may not be used for commercial purposes, for the solicitation or development of business, or for profit. Non-profit groups may not ask for contributions or take up collections at meetings held in the library."

Lincoln Public Library

[Learn more here.](#) "Meeting Rooms can reserved for civic and local non-profits. The Library offers two rooms for meetings; the smaller of the two is the Historical Room (which can accommodate up to 15 people) and the larger Tarbell Room (which accommodates up to 50 people)."

Lynn Public Library

[Learn more here.](#)

Marblehead Public Library

[Learn more here.](#)



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Medford Public Library

[Learn more here.](#)

Melrose Public Library

[Learn more here.](#) "Patrons requesting any room must be a Melrose resident with a public library card and be part of a Melrose non-profit, civic or cultural, or educational group. The library can accommodate groups of 25 or less. Room availability is on a first-come, first-serve basis."

Natick Public Library

[Learn more here.](#) "We have three meeting rooms available in the library. Our meeting rooms are not available for private functions. For use guidelines, please read our [Meeting Room Policy.](#)"

Needham Public Library

[Learn more here.](#)

Newburyport Public Library

[Learn more here.](#)



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Newton Public Library

[Learn more here.](#) The Newton Free Library offers three meeting rooms for Newton-based non-profits as available on a first-come, first-served basis. All programs must be free, open to the public, and of an educational, cultural, or civic nature.

Peabody Public Library

[Learn more here.](#)

Quincy Public Library

[Learn more here.](#) "Meeting rooms are available to non-commercial organizations engaged in educational, cultural, civic, intellectual, or charitable activities, including non-profit corporations, non-profit citizens' groups, political committees (except for a candidate's campaign committee), a governmental subdivision, or a department/division/bureau of a governmental subdivision. 2. All meetings must be open to the public and no fees may be charged or solicited."

Rowley Public Library

[Learn more here.](#) "Community organizations are encouraged to make use of the Library's meeting rooms. Preference is given to cultural, literary and artistic groups; school, service and social welfare organizations; clubs and organizations concerned with civic improvement; governmental meetings; and local businesses or industries sponsoring informational or educational meetings. No for-profit use will be allowed. "



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Salem Public Library

[Learn more here.](#)

Somerville Public Library

[Learn more here.](#)

“The Board of Library Trustees allows the use of the Auditorium in the Main Library for civic, educational, philanthropic, and recreational purposes having a substantial nexus to the Somerville community. It is equipped with a ceiling-mounted projector, speakers, pull-down screen, and laptop, for your use.”

“A Conference Room is also available for use. It contains a conference table with 10 chairs, plus another 8 chairs (for a total seating capacity of 18); plus three floor-to-ceiling dry-erase panels, along with erasable markers and erasers. (Click [here](#) for pictures).”

“The Board of Library Trustees allows the use of the Auditorium and Conference Room in the Main Library for civic, educational, philanthropic, and recreational purposes having a substantial nexus to the Somerville community. In allocating the use of Library Auditorium and Conference Room, the Board of Trustees and library staff shall not discriminate on the basis of the political or religious beliefs of applicant groups, or on any other constitutionally or statutorily prohibited basis.”

Sudbury Public Library

[Learn more here.](#)



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[Learn more here.](#)

Waltham Public Library

[Learn more here.](#)

Watertown Public Library

[Learn more here.](#) WPL gives priority on Watertown residents and groups, and if the event is free and open to the public.

Weston Public Library

[Learn more here.](#)

Westford Public Library

[Learn more here.](#) "Meeting rooms shall not be used for commercial purposes, for the solicitation or development of business, or for profit. Fundraising will be limited to the Friends of the J. V. Fletcher Library, Inc. and library purposes. The use of the Library meeting room facilities will be limited to non-profit and not-for-profit organizations who are open to the public, Town Boards, and Town Committees under the guidelines of the Library Bill of Rights. Meeting Rooms will be booked with priority given to Library programs and Friends of the J. V. Fletcher Library programs."



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Wellesley Public Library

[Learn more here.](#)

Woburn Public Library

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Art Lounge

1346 Arlington St., Arlington, MA



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<http://www.arlingtonartlounge.com/>

Holds about 70 for a dance/band event. Serves alcohol. They take 1/3 of entrance fees. Many people use the Art Lounge for postcard events.

Contact:

theartloungearlington@gmail.com

(781) 643-0300

Knights of Columbus

15 Winslow St., Arlington, MA

<http://www.kofc109.com/hall-rental/> (web site has photos)

- 120 person maximum
- \$100 deposit
- \$375/4 hrs. including bartender, weekends
- \$250 weeknights • \$50/hour additional time
- Have a full service bar and large kitchen
- Does not offer catering services. Has a large kitchen onsite that can accommodate a caterer of your choice
- Renter can bring in food, at about \$400
- Has round tables that seat up to 10 people

Contact:

Steven Meadows, Manager

Telephone: 781-648-5632

Email: kofc109@aol.com



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Arlington Lodge of Elks #1435

56 Pond Lane, Arlington, MA

<http://arlingtonelks.com/facilities/>

“Our function hall can accommodate functions of up to 100 people [seated banquet service?]. The Elks function hall has a full service bar located in the hall and a full kitchen available to caterers. We also can provide a list of preferred caterers and disc jockeys for your convenience.”

<http://arlingtonelks.com/facilities/>

Contact:

Call club manager to inquire about pricing and availability at 781-646-1392 .

First Parish Arlington Unitarian Universalist

630 Massachusetts Ave., Arlington, MA

<http://firstparish.info/index.php/congregationalworkings/building-use-faq>

\$125 room rate

Renter handles alcohol permit

Contact:

Name?

781-648-3799

Senior Center

27 Maple St.



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- Main room 75 people
- \$100/hour
- Renter sets-up tables and chairs, and does clean up
- Available after 4pm on weekdays, and all day and evening until 11pm on weekends
- Alcohol allowed only in limited circumstances, and if renter has insurance indemnifying the Town

Contact:

Book through Arlington Planning Dept.
781-316-3090

Sons of Italy Lodge

19 Prentiss Rd.
Arlington, MA 02476

- 250 person maximum
- Open for weeknights and most Friday nights.
- Work a bit differently: food is their deal, and the price per head includes service, paper goods and the hall
- Cash bar: soft drinks \$1, beer \$5, wine \$6, mixed drinks, \$8
- If commit to 90 people, they charge \$20/head for the finger food buffet. If more people show up, they will track this and the price drops to \$17/head.

Contact:

Frank Devito



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781-789-9907
alosiafunctionhall@gmail.com

Regent Theater

7 Medford St.
Arlington, MA
<http://www.regenttheatre.com>

- Downstairs event space
- Book 8 hours for a 4 hour event to allow for load-in/load-out.
- The facility, including lights, technician, ticket sales, bartender (cash bar), etc. runs about \$1500. Ancillary fees could be charged if anything above and beyond was needed (trucking, PA etc.).
- For a previous event, Leland suggested the group impose a minimum # of ticket sales for each resistance member e.g.: if there were 20 people in the group, each person would be responsible for selling 15 tickets at \$25 each. That's 300 people. It is ambitious but is \$7500, \$6000 after paying the Regent.

Contact:
Leland Stein
781-646-4849

Menotomy Grill

25 Massachusetts Ave.
Arlington, MA 02474



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www.menotomygrill.com

- Stay open on a Mon or Tues evening, or a Sat afternoon
- 3 hour minimum
- 100 people
- \$25/person for appetizers
- Cash bar
- If the event is closer to 200 people, they close the restaurant, but it gets very pricy (around \$300/person for a meal)

Contact:

Tom

781-648-1775

events@menotomygrill.com

Common Ground Arlington Bar and Grill

319 Broadway

Arlington, MA 02474

<http://commongroundarlington.com>

- 110 person maximum
- \$100 non-refundable deposit
- \$200/4 hrs. room rental
- \$50 bar stocking
- \$80/person appetizers, roughly
- 20% gratuity on food and bar, 7% taxes
- Linens charge



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Contact:

General Manager Liz Marsden

781-728-0060

commongroundarlington@gmail.com

Jefferson Cutter House

611 Massachusetts Ave.

Arlington, MA

- Capacity: lower level holds 50 people
- \$50/hour

Contact:

Book through Planning Dept

781-316-3090 Arlington, MA

Arlington Public Schools

<http://www.arlington.k12.ma.us/facrentals/>



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Boston College

Facility rentals <https://www.bc.edu/offices/eventmgmt.html>

Boston University

Facility rentals <https://www.bu.edu/fitrec/recreation/events-rentals/>

Community Boating

21 David Mugar Way (on the river)

Boston, MA

<https://www.community-boating.org/rentals/facility-rentals/>

Need one day Boston alcohol license (police detail, etc), if serve alcohol.

The function area consists of Oak Park or the Wolfson Room and can accommodate up to 100 guests.

Oak Park Oak Park is a section of CBI's dock located outdoors under the canopy of a large oak tree, roped off for functions. The area of Oak Park is approximately 45' X 25' and can accommodate up to 100 people. In case of inclement weather, the Wolfson Room is used in lieu of setting a rain date. CBI will only book a function at a time when the Wolfson Room is available as a back-up location.



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Wolfson Room The Wolfson Room, located indoors on the second floor of the boathouse, enjoys views of CBI's dock and the Charles River. The Wolfson Room is approximately 40' X 45' and can accommodate up to 100 people seated. The Wolfson Room is available on its own or in case of inclement weather.

CBI can hold functions only during the operating season (April 1st through October 31st). CBI's program hours are Monday through Friday, 1pm to sunset (3pm to sunset during the Junior Program), and weekends and holidays, 9am to sunset. While your function is held privately, CBI continues to conduct its regular programming and the facility is open to the public during functions during operating hours. CBI members will sign out boats to go sailing, attend classes, and use the boathouse as your event is in progress. Some of these actions take place immediately in the areas surrounding the function area.

CBI does not have any kitchen facilities, and CBI's rental fees do not include catering, bartending, entertainment, decorating, or similar services. All decorations, food, trash, and serving equipment must be removed from CBI property immediately after the event by the vendor(s) and/or Renter. The selection, hiring, and oversight of any such vendors remain Renter's responsibility. CBI does not have a preferred caterer. A number of excellent caterers are familiar with our location, rules and procedures, and have done many functions on our dock. Before booking your vendors, you must obtain approval from CBI prior to the event; the granting of such approval being at the sole discretion of CBI. Prior to hiring a vendor that has not worked at CBI previously, a representative must visit CBI for a tour and talk with the staff to ensure that they will be able to provide the desired services.

9. Music

Renter may have music and/or dancing at their event, provided there is no amplified music during program hours. Music must be kept at a reasonable volume as determined by CBI Staff. A Renter that does not comply with this provision forfeits the privilege of playing music, and it



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will be turned off. Quiet hours for events begin at 10PM and music must be turned off at that time.

13. Insurance Coverage

Renter shall obtain and maintain in full force and effect such comprehensive general liability insurance coverage as will protect Renter and CBI (and any other parties designated by CBI) from and against any and all claims and damages to any persons or property, arising out of or in connection with Renter's use of CBI's facilities, including but not limited to any claims and damages arising out of or relating to the use and occupation of the premises or performance of any work on the premises by Renter, Renter's guests, employees, and contractors, subcontractors and any other party who may be connected with Renter's event

14. Alcohol

The Esplanade, on which the CBI facility is located, is a State Park and therefore an alcohol-free zone. However, beer and/or wine can be served at CBI events at an open-bar if certain conditions are satisfied. If, and only if, Renter wishes to serve alcohol at the event, Renter must comply with ALL of the following conditions (see contract; including one day alcohol permit and liquor liability)

Pricing

Event Prices: Event – (Beer/Wine Optional) 5 Hours Base Event * \$3,000 Additional hours \$300/hr *Base Event includes 1 hour setup, up to 3 hours for the event, and 1 hour breakdown

Additional Services: Sailboat ride \$200/boat for 2 hours (up to 2 boats)

For Events Serving Beer/Wine Only

Permits: DCR Permit Check for \$45 made payable to "Commonwealth of Massachusetts/DCR"

Liquor License Check for \$75 made payable to "City of Boston"



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Police Detail: 0—4 hours \$200 4—8 hours \$400

Democracy Brewing

35 Temple Pl.
Boston, MA 02111

www.democracybrewing.com/events

Holds 25-75 people (50 seated, 75 for cocktail receptions and tastings). Swing Left Greater Boston held their weekly bar night there for about six weeks. SLGB would just make a reservation for 8-10 people, and they put us in the back room. No charge for that type of event, but not sure about larger events.

Contact:

events@democracybrewing.com

857-263-8604

Emerson College

Function space <https://www.emerson.edu/campus-center/function-event-spaces>

Harvard Club

Locations: Back Bay (415 Newbury St.) and Down (One Federal)
Boston, MA

<https://www.harvardclub.com/weddings-and-private-events/>



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UMass Club

One Beacon St., 32nd Floor
Boston, MA

<https://www.umassclub.com/weddings-and-events/our-spaces>

Brookline, MA

Brookline Center for Adult Education

<https://bcae.org/room-rental/>

BCAE also rents their teaching kitchen.

National Boston Video Center

115 Dummer St.
Brookline, MA 02446

www.nationalboston.com

- MENTION WYNELLE EVANS (who compiled information for many of the Arlington-area resources on this list; she was a client of National Boston Video Center many years)
- Production facility with huge studio space often used for parties
- Has kitchen
- Capacity: easily 200 people
- \$1000/studio rental
- \$200/Brookline detail officer



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- Parking: \$5/car at garage next door, no minimum

Contact:

Tom Sprague

617-734-4800

trs@nationalboston.com

Cambridge, MA

Cambridge Center for Adult Education

42 Brattle St.

Cambridge, MA 02138

<https://ccae.org/about/rentals>

The classroom and meeting spaces can serve groups of 10-90 people. CCAE is one of the adult education centers that rent their teaching kitchen.

Facilities and Amenities

- Auditorium
- Art Studio
- CCAE provides tables, chairs, and white boards.
- AV equipment is available for an additional charge.
- Free WiFi access.

Pricing



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- Classroom - \$75/hour (2 hour minimum)
- Auditorium - \$100/hour (2 hour minimum)
- Art Studio - \$125/hour (2 hour minimum)

Pricing

- Kitchen Only - \$525 for 3 hours (minimum) and \$150/hour for each additional hour.
- Private Cooking Class (3 hours and 10 person minimum) Chef and Food - \$90/person.
- Private Cooking Class with Wine Pairing (3 hours and 10 person minimum) Chef, Food, and Wine - \$100/person
- A private cooking class has an additional \$100 facility fee. The facility fee is waived for a class with greater than 12 people.

Democracy Center

45 Mount Auburn St.

Cambridge, MA 02138

<http://democracycenter.org>

The “21st century meeting house.”

Rooms and facilities that hold from four to 150 people for meetings, events, concerts, and more.

More information about the spaces can be found [here](#) and booking information can be found [here](#). No smoking and no alcohol.

The Democracy Center also has [co-working space](#) for individuals and groups who need a spot to setup and work for the day.

Concert bookings must be submitted through [Democracy Center Shows](#).



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Rates are on a sliding scale and depend on the room:

Malala Yousafzai Library (max 8-10 people): \$10-\$20

Cesar Chavez Room (max 12 people): \$10-\$30

Rosa Parks room (max 30 people): \$30-\$75

Nelson Mandela room (max 60 people): \$50-\$100

Rosa Parks + Cesar Chavez: \$40-\$75

Nelson Mandela + Rosa Parks: \$75-\$150

Entire First Floor (max 150 people): \$100-\$200

Contact:

Elizabeth Rucker, Coordinator

(617) 492-8855

info@democracycenter.org

Cambridge Multicultural Arts Center

41 Second Street

East Cambridge, MA 02141

<http://www.multiculturalartscenter.org/rentals/>

Private and Corporate Rentals

Weekend Rental Fee (Friday, Saturday, Sunday): \$4,800

Effective July 1, 2018: Weddings will only be scheduled for Friday, Saturday, or Sunday from 4pm - midnight (8 hour rental).

- Eight (8) hours included
- Additional hours at \$100/hr.
- Rental package includes two hours of set-up time and one hour for clean-up of the facility.



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- Rental includes use of Theater, the Gallery, kitchen, green room, Centanni Hallway, and Centanni Courtyard (\$50 permit fee required), and two Second Floor Studios with private restrooms.

Non-Profits

Non-profit Rental Fee (any day of the week): \$1,800

Certified not-for-profit organizations are eligible for this rental package. Proof of certification is required.

- Eight (8) hours included
- Additional hours at \$100/hr.
- Package includes use of Theater, the Gallery, kitchen, green room, Centanni Hallway, and optional Centanni Courtyard (\$50 permit fee required).
- For events on Saturday/Sunday, additional \$33/hr fee for security guard

Capacity

Depending on your needs and general set-up, our theater accommodates approximately 150 people for a seated dinner with room for a small dance floor area, or 200 people for a standing reception. Our Gallery accommodates 40-50 people seated.

What's Included?

Rental packages include use of our venue only. For rental of chairs/tables, please see [Additional Rental Items](#). Items such as linens, dishware, cocktail tables and decorations or flowers must be organized through an outside vendor as we do not provide these services.

See FAQ: <http://www.multiculturalartscenter.org/rentals/frequently-asked-questions/>

Contact:

617-577-1400



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Cambridge Masonic Hall

1950 Massachusetts Ave.

Cambridge, MA (Porter Square)

<http://www.cambridgemasonic.org/event-spaces>

Our event space is a massive ballroom with a full stage in a historic building in the heart of Porter Square, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Must check rates.

Contact:

rentals@cambridgemasonic.org

(617) 354-1336

Cambridge Boat Club

2 Gerry's Landing Rd. (on the river)

Cambridge, MA

<https://www.cambridge-boat-club.org/rentals>

Capacity:

- Per the City of Cambridge Fire Code, the maximum capacity of the building for rentals is 150 persons total, including guests, waitstaff, club monitor and band, etc.
- Dinner seating in the larger room (Drinkwater) tops out between 100 and 120 people; if needed, additional guests may be seated in the smaller room.



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- Never exceed the club's maximum total occupancy of 150 people.

The Space:

- The space available for rentals includes the two large rooms, porch, kitchen, and all of the restrooms.
- The grounds, dock, porch stairway, library and rooms on the second floor are not accessible to renters.
- Two (2) handicapped-accessible restrooms are on the first floor.
- Additional restrooms for men and women are on the second floor; these must be accessed via the balcony. Other than access to the bathrooms, the balcony is not to be occupied by renters.
- A building floor plan and club photos are available on the website ([link here](#)).

The 2018 rental fee is \$900/hour; the 2018 calendar year runs from February 1, 2018 through January 31, 2019.

Contact:

<https://www.cambridge-boat-club.org/rentals/contact-rentals>

Somerville, MA

Aeronaut Brewing

14 Tyler St.
Somerville, MA



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617-987-4236o

www.aeronautbrewing.com

[Blue Revolution](#) hosted an election night watch party in the back room, and two other groups have hosted fundraisers in the back room, which holds at least 150 people (depending on how it is arranged). There is no fee; Aeronaut sells beer and food, and the group gets a free spot to host.

ONCE Somerville

156 Highland Ave.

Somerville, MA

<https://www.oncesomerville.com/>



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*This space, at **156 Highland Ave, in Somerville**, was developed as a wedding hall 50 years ago, and has never closed. It has seen hundreds of parties and events. We were thrilled to bring our 8 year old, award winning catering company to such a venerable room, in Feb of 2014.*

It is with pride that we offer experience and service to help you make your event or party beautiful, delicious and fun.

Feel free to follow up with any questions you have, we cannot wait to work with you.

Basic Cost of Rooms

There are two spaces available for events and parties, at Cuisine en Locale.

The Ballroom is downstairs, with chandeliers and high ceilings. It seats 120 people easily, and has a capacity of about 300, standing, including the dance floor. (Tables can be set on the dance floor to seat up to 150 people. Please ask about additional fees)

*Rental is for a **four hour event** window, plus 2 hours of set up and cleanup, to be assigned per event agreement. Overtime is billed on a half-hourly basis at \$250/half hour.*

\$1750 Ballroom Only

\$1350 Lounge Only

\$3000 Both Rooms

\$3000 Full Day Rate Lounge

\$4000 Full Day Rate Ballroom

\$6000 Full Day Rate Both Rooms

For more information see rate/information sheet in this folder. Per proprietor JJ Gonson, they can probably swing something for a non-profit.

ONCE Somerville is a 9,000 foot event space located at the corner of Central St and Highland Ave, in Somerville MA., owned and operated by locavore catering company, Cuisine en Locale.

From rock shows to benefit fundraisers, we are proud to host One Night Creative Events of all kinds.



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The Lounge upstairs has a capacity of 100 and is available for small shows and parties. There are two pool tables, a pinball machine, dance floor and PA system.

The Ballroom, downstairs, has a capacity of 300 and is available for larger events and performances. Replete with chandeliers and marble bar, the ballroom sports a full PA and large stage with a parquet dance floor.

More about
ONCE

<https://www.oncesomerville.com/2016/06/29/the-inside-scoop-on-once-somerville/>

Cuisine En Locale Catering (specializes in locavore)

<https://cuisineenlocale.com>

Contact:

General Information 617-285-0167. Mention Susan Labandibar's name to JJ.

Warehouse XI

11 Sanborn Court
Somerville, MA

<https://www.wxi.space/> (very cool industrial warehouse space)

Somerville, MA

Must investigate pricing.

Dan McCool was able to use it for free for his debate watch party



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Wellesley, MA

Wellesley Community Center

"We provide function and tenant space in our 11,000 square foot building. Groups from all over Metro West come to us for meeting space for workshops, compliance seminars, social events, as well as scholastic and athletic programs.

We provide our users with great flexibility and value; our non-profit, below market rental rates save our users money and provide much needed support for our mission."

"Our two main halls can handle 150 and 175 people theater style or 135 and 150 persons banquet style. We offer a full commercial kitchen to support any catering requirement you may have in mind. The campus also holds several other meeting rooms, designed to support a variety of applications. Since our services are unbundled, you can choose a catering service and should you choose to feature full beverage service, you can pick a bar tending provider as well. We have 80 complimentary parking spots with overflow privileges on the adjacent property, situated on an attractive campus with green space and landscaped effects."

[More information.](#)

Contact
781-235-4172



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One Day Alcohol Licenses

Arlington

Requires police detail and more.

Details [here](#).

Boston

Details [here](#).