



Cajun Ballroom at the Louisiana Swamp in Audubon Zoo Venue Descriptions & Catering Guidelines

This award-winning, re-creation of a Louisiana Swamp is perfect for a Cajun Fais do-do, rehearsal dinner or a themed corporate or social party with a Southern flair. Nestled between the two largest lagoons of the swamp exhibit is the Cajun Ballroom featuring climate controlled seating for up to 115 guests. A large and rustic deck extends from the dance hall above the swamp waters where alligators bask in the moonlight. Exotic swamp animals such as native nutria, black bears, otters, and cougars are a few of the “residents” you may see in the world’s only Urban Swamp

Cajun Ballroom and Main Exhibit: 115 seated inside; 100 seated outside, 500 reception
Cajun Ballroom and Main Exhibit with the White Alligator Exhibit: 800 reception

Evening

Sunday – Thursday

Rental Fee - \$1,800. Food & Beverage Minimum: \$40 per person/\$3,000 overall, whichever is greater

Friday - Saturday

Rental Fee - \$2,500. Food & Beverage Minimum: \$50 per person/\$5,000 overall, whichever is greater

Add the White Alligator Extension

Based on staffing availability. \$500

Rates are based on a 3-hour catered event and include use of the ballroom, deck, and main exhibit area (see additional fee to add extension), Audubon roaming security, security at the motor-coach entrance when applicable, facility management, and event coordination. Other included items are: existing dining room furniture, outdoor picnic tables, linen on inside tables, china, glass and silver service ware.

Evening events may begin as early as 7:00 PM Labor Day through February

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All events must end by 12:00 AM.

Each additional hour is \$650.

Limited parking behind the Swamp Exhibit, 200 East Drive.

Plenty of complimentary parking available in the Zoo parking lot.

50 Passenger train to transport guests from the zoo parking lot to the swamp exhibit
(includes a staff person to monitor the boarding of the train) - \$250 (based on a 3-hour event)

Cajun Ballroom Ceremony Options

Hygeia Fountain - Sea Lion Exhibit - \$1,000

Evening ceremonies only.

The historic Sea Lion Pool was built in 1928, it's circular colonnade rising within ancient oaks sets the stage for a perfect place to exchange your vows. Graceful and elegant the Hygeia Fountain offers an element of water and reflection.

Cooper Plaza Fountain - \$1,000

Evening ceremonies only.

Palm trees line the way to the fountain from the front entrance of the zoo. The fountain features life-size bronze sculptures of African elephants and lions.

Odenheimer Complex - \$1,000

Evening ceremonies only.

The Odenheimer Arbor with the Popp Fountain features a wide patio area with slate steps leading down to an historic fountain.

Evening ceremonies may begin at 7:00 PM.

Rates include: space for 30 minutes prior to ceremony start time for guest arrival,
ceremony time, and 30 minutes for tear-down;

And a bridal attendant.

Ceremony chairs, tents, audio-visual, and lighting are not included.