Weddings in the Butterfly Conservatory

- Wedding rentals at the Butterfly House & Aquarium include the use of the Butterfly Conservatory, Aquarium Gallery, and lobby for the couple and up to 12 guests for one hour.

- A map of the Butterfly Conservatory is attached for your planning use. We allow one free visit for 2 individuals to look at the facility. Additional guests will be offered the group rate.

- The ceremony, including pictures, family visiting and signing of marriage license is not to exceed one hour.

- If over 12 guests attend the ceremony, a fee for additional guests must be paid in full when the remaining balance of the rental is paid.

- The wedding party and guests should arrive no earlier than 15 minutes before the start of the ceremony. Anyone arriving before the agreed upon arrival time will be asked to wait outside our facility.

- At the guest arrival time, guests must wait in the Discovery Den until staff assists guests into the Conservatory.

- The signing of the marriage license may occur in the Conservatory or the lobby.

- Instruments or battery-powered music players may be brought into the Conservatory to provide music.

- Hand-held floral bouquets and boutonnieres are acceptable. However, decorations such as candles, toasting glasses, floral arrangements, etc. are not permitted.

- A staff member will assist guests and the wedding party into the Conservatory and when exiting the Conservatory to ensure no butterflies escape from the Conservatory.

- The couple should inform their guests prior to the ceremony of all expectations and rules of the facility.
  - No food or drink besides water is allowed in the building.
  - Encourage walking and refrain from touching or picking up the butterflies.
  - Stress the importance of checking everyone front and back for butterflies before they leave the Conservatory and then again in the vestibule with mirrors.
  - These expectations are part of our everyday policies.

- If the wedding party has not arrived 30 minutes after scheduled start time, the wedding reservation is forfeited and no reschedule/refund will be issued.
Wedding Reservation Fees

- The cost is $500.00 plus tax, which includes the one-hour rental, the couple, and up to 12 guests.

- A $250.00 plus tax, non-refundable deposit is required on the day of booking.

- A credit or debit card must be provided on the day of booking as part of the deposit.

- Full payment is due 7 days prior to the day of the ceremony.

- Wedding reservations are scheduled to take place Sunday through Saturday at 4:15pm upon closing of the facility to the public.

- An additional $50.00 per 15 minutes will be charged should the wedding party and guests use the facility space before the guest arrival time.

- An additional $50.00 per 15 minutes will be charged should the wedding party and guests use the facility past the one-hour wedding rental.

- If over 12 guests are attending, the additional guests will receive $1 off regular admission rates.

- Butterfly releases may be requested at the cost of $20.00 per butterfly.