

Workhouse

ARTS CENTER

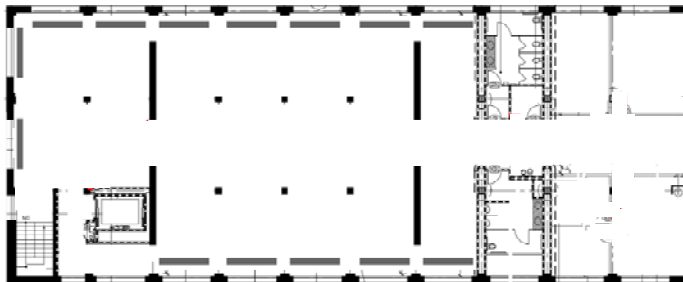


Hosting Your Event at The Workhouse Arts Center

Whether it is a social or business event that you are interested in hosting, the setting of the Workhouse Arts Center can provide a unique site to create an event as distinctive as it is memorable.

Now listed on the National Register of Historic Places, the Workhouse dates back to 1910 when it was created as a federal reformatory. At the beginning of the 20th Century, President Theodore Roosevelt's progressive era vision was to provide prisoners with fresh air, natural light and structured, purposeful work as the basis for their rehabilitation. The most famous Workhouse tenants included the women suffragists who were imprisoned by the District of Columbia for picketing the White House demanding their right to vote. The prison complex closed in 2001 giving way to The Lorton Arts Foundation's efforts to transform the historic 30-building Workhouse facility into a vibrant, world-class arts community.

As it stands today, the Workhouse is now home to over 100 artists and 130 visual and performing arts classes. The complex's main quad is surrounded by classically inspired buildings and arched walkways combining rich history and inspiration for artistic expression to create an amazing experience for wedding receptions, reunions and other social or business events.



The Gallery building, formerly a dormitory, is a two-story structure which hosts art exhibitions and is ideal for reunions, receptions, or other social or business events. There is a kitchen area which is ideal for catering as well as an elevator for access to the second floor. The two floors can be rented out separately or together. The first floor can accommodate 160 people for a standing reception while the second floor of the Gallery can accommodate up to 200 people for a standing reception or 160 for a seated dinner.



VISIT THE GALLERY:

Gallery W-16 is open Wednesday through Saturday from 11:00 AM until 7:00 PM and Sunday from 12:00 PM until 5:00 PM.

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CONTACT US:

If you are interested in hosting your event at the Workhouse Arts Center or to schedule a tour of the Gallery, please contact Camela Speer, Event Specialist at 703-584-2973 or camelaspeer@lortonarts.org.