

UNIQUE MEETING SITES

Who says a meeting has to be held inside four plain walls? If you're looking to break out of the ordinary, consider holding your meeting on a luxury yacht, in an 18th-century plantation home, among exotic fish in a hands-on Aquarium or in a contemporary art museum; or make a splash and hold your next event oceanside! All of these unique sites, and more, are set up to handle meetings. Maybe even yours.

VIRGINIA AQUARIUM & MARINE SCIENCE CENTER

This popular museum, which tripled in size in 1996, has meeting rooms for small groups and catered luncheons. The entire facility is available for rental after hours for large receptions and meetings. A 270-seat Family Channel IMAX® 3D Theater is available, as well as an 80-seat interactive theater. A large reception hall with floor-to-ceiling windows overlooks Owls Creek Marsh. Maximum capacities: classroom-75, boardroom-25, seated meal up to 100, reception-up to 2,500. **717 General Booth Blvd., Virginia Beach, VA 23451. Phone (757) 437-4949; Fax (757) 437-4976.**



CONTEMPORARY ART CENTER OF VIRGINIA/MOCA

Focuses on 21st-century art. Free access to Exhibit Area during meetings. Interior courtyard of 4,800 sq feet is accented with trees and a vaulted ceiling for special events. Maximum capacities: meeting-270, reception-450, banquet-250; auditorium with 15' by 30' screen seats theater style-268, classroom-40 with standard A/V capability. **2200 Parks Ave., Virginia Beach, VA 23451. Phone (757) 425-0000; Fax (757) 425-8186.**



SANDLER CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS

Imagine your next meeting or off-site event in an elegant contemporary performing arts hall with majestic chandeliers, warm wood accents, a three-story lobby, and magnificent stairways...

The Sandler Center for the Performing Arts offers an experience long to be remembered. This sustainable venue gracefully incorporates all of the high tech nuances of a state of the art facility while incorporating the graceful use of soaring wood and glass for a breath-taking performance. Meetings or programs for as few as 10 or as many as 1,300 will enjoy this intimate setting offering great sight lines and acoustics second to none! The staff is comprised of seasoned professionals, hand-picked for skills in their field and for their deep-rooted commitment to excellent customer service. **201 Market St, Virginia Beach, VA 23462. Phone (757) 385-2555; www.sandler-center.org**



VIRGINIA'S JEWEL

Virginia Beach's only luxury dining yacht offering year-round private and public charters showcasing the city's magnificent homes, breath-taking wildlife and the rare, natural beauty of First Landing State Park. Maximum capacity: banquet 80 people; reception 140 people. **600 Laskin Road, Virginia Beach, VA 23451. Phone (757) 425-6688; Fax (757) 425-6788; www.virginiasjewel.com**



OCEANFRONT PARKS

Why not consider placing your next off-site event next to the pounding surf at one of our oceanfront parks? For qualifying groups and during certain times of the year, our oceanfront park areas offer a uniquely Virginia Beach experience for groups to enjoy! Virginia Beach's Special Events office can get you started. **Oceanfront & Atlantic on Streets: 31, 24, & 17. Phone (757) 385-4800**



MILITARY AVIATION MUSEUM

Take a trip back to a time when the aircraft were spectacular and learn why these heroes never let us down. The Military Aviation Museum displays one of the largest collections of flying World War II Military Aircraft in the world and you can plan your next off-site event right in the midst of this unique museum and hanger combination! Available for groups of 50 to over a 1,000p, let us create an event or reunion gathering unique in every way! **1341 Princess Anne Rd, Virginia Beach, VA 23457. (757) 721-7767 www.militaryaviationmuseum.org**



FUNNY BONE COMEDY CLUB & RESTAURANT

The Funny Bone Comedy Club and Restaurant provides a unique alternative to the typical sterile corporate meeting venue. We are also a perfect location for your next private party. Located in Virginia Beach Town Center, you'll have easy access, plenty of parking, and the hottest spot in the area. Our venue features many of the same amenities that hotels and meeting places offer, with a full service wait staff and master chef. We offer a variety of menus to accommodate all your dining needs. **217 Central Park Avenue, Virginia Beach, VA 23462; (757) 213-5555. www.vabeachfunnybone.com**



CAPE HENRY BEACH CLUB

United States Army post and historic site, Fort Story is open to all military, active, retired, reservist and civil service. Beach parties, luncheons, meetings, complete with catering, can be held in this unusual setting that incorporates Cape Henry Landing, where the first settlers touched shore. The James Room handles 50 classroom/ banquet; The Squire Room accommodates 200+ people, while the Colonial Room handles up to 125-150 people; both rooms can be arranged in various styles. **End of Atlantic Avenue and on the Chesapeake Bay. Phone (757) 425-6631.**



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ASSOCIATION FOR RESEARCH & ENLIGHTENMENT

Headquarters for the work of the late psychic Edgar Cayce. Maximum capacity: meeting-200.

67th St. and Atlantic Ave., Virginia Beach, VA 23451. Phone (757) 428-3588.



RUDEE BOAT TOURS

The Tidal Estuaries, Chesapeake Bay and Ocean off of Virginia Beach possess some of the Earth's Greatest and most Unique Ecosystems. Come and experience all that the region has to offer aboard the Rudee Flipper. 200 Winston Salem Ave. Virginia Beach, VA 23451. Phone (757) 422-5700.



FIRST LANDING STATE PARK

This park is the city's tribute to the Chesapeake Bay and its ecosystem. It's home to 500 species of plant life, and is also available for smaller meetings ranging in size from 5 to 50 people. 2500 Shore Dr., Virginia Beach, VA 23451. Phone (757) 412-2300/2321.



CHESAPEAKE BAY CENTER

Come and hold an event at the "Gateway to the Chesapeake Bay." First Landing State Park, the City of Virginia Beach and the Virginia Aquarium & Marine Science Center have joined forces to provide this unique gateway into the city that features an outdoor touch tank, an indoor wet lab for marine study, educational displays depicting marine life, a historical prospective of our nation's first settlers and their natural surroundings, an amphitheater, a gazebo and an observation deck overlooking the Chesapeake Bay. Indoor venue capacity: 50-theater style; 65-reception style. First Landing State Park, 2500 Shore Dr., Virginia Beach, VA 23451. Phone (757) 412-2316.



FRANCIS LAND HOUSE

Francis Land House Historic Site, an 18th-century plantation home of one of the area's prominent families. Guided tour includes changing exhibit displays and historic gardens. Maximum capacity: meeting-50, reception-125, banquet-80. Restrictions: No smoking. 3131 Virginia Beach Blvd., Virginia Beach, VA 23452. Phone (757) 385-5100.



VIRGINIA BEACH SPORTSPLEX

The Sportsplex is a 6,000 seat stadium with box suites and a tented picnic area for family, corporate or group gatherings. We've got room for your entire "team!"

2181 Landstown Rd., Virginia Beach, VA 23456. Phone (757) 427-2990, (800) 700-7702; Fax (757) 427-5856.



VIRGINIA BEACH AMPHITHEATER

Need a little more room? How about seating for 20,000 people, 7,500 of whom will be under a covered pavilion. The \$17.5 million amphitheater plays host to top-name performers throughout the year. You can wow them there, too.

93-acre site located at Princess Anne and Dam Neck Roads. SFX Entertainment. Phone (757) 368-3000.



LESNER INN CATERING CLUB

Lesner Inn gracefully intersects the Chesapeake Bay and Lynnhaven River, displaying breathtaking, intimate waterfront views. The Inn welcomes all events, from luncheons and after-hours receptions, to corporate seminars and full-service weddings.

3319 Shore Dr. Virginia Beach, VA 23451. Phone (757) 481-1122.



GRAND AFFAIRS

A full-service banquet facility, featuring five ballrooms, complete A/V and entertainment. Specializes in unique theme parties. Maximum capacity: theater - 1,200, reception-1,000, sit-down/banquet - 850. Rental fees waived with food and beverages.

2036 Pleasure House Rd. Virginia Beach, VA 23455. Phone (757) 460-9786, Fax (757) 460-1875.



UPPER WOLFSSNARE PLANTATION

Built in 1759 by Thomas Walke III, one of the Virginians who ratified the U.S. Constitution. Maximum capacity: meeting/banquet-60, reception-negotiable. Restrictions: No smoking.

Open by special reservation in summer months only. 2040 Potters Rd. Virginia Beach, VA 23454. Phone (757) 491-3490.

