Where Elegant Spaces Meet Wild Places
WELCOME TO YOUR WINDOW TO THE WILD.

Spectacular scenery, innovative culinary creations and transformative experiences make your next event an occasion your guests will be talking about for years to come.

From an unforgettable first dance in the grand ballroom of the majestic Savannah Hall, to a twilight dinner on the Takamanda Gorilla Deck surrounded by gorillas, to a meeting destination that will truly excite your colleagues, Zoo Atlanta can tailor a variety of extraordinary places and spaces to make your vision come to life.

**Weddings • Rehearsal dinners • Corporate events • Bar and bat mitzvahs • Cocktail receptions • Company picnics • Team-building events • Meeting spaces • Kosher events • More**

Zoo Atlanta is proud to present Proof of the Pudding, Atlanta’s premier caterer, as your source for inspiring menus for every occasion, large or small.

**Where you are... and who we are**

Founded in 1889, Zoo Atlanta is Atlanta’s oldest cultural destination. Just minutes from the heart of the city, the Zoo is a transformative urban oasis that’s home to the more than 1,000 animals and spectacular botanicals that inspire us to do the work we do every day.

Zoo Atlanta is a nonprofit organization with conservation at the heart of our mission. In choosing the Zoo for your special event, you become an ambassador for wildlife and wild places around the globe, outreach programs for the children and families of our community, and education programs and scientific research that inform and improve animal well-being at an international level.
SAVANNA HALL

Atlanta’s newest event destination merges the majesty of the African savanna and its iconic wildlife with the storied elegance of one of the city’s most treasured historic buildings. Just moments from Downtown, the newest addition to Zoo Atlanta is setted in the heart of Grant Park, Atlanta’s oldest parkland and one of the metro area’s most popular and progressive communities.

The destination

• Built in 1921 and revitalized by Zoo Atlanta for its new life today, Savanna Hall was the home of the Atlanta Cyclorama for more than 90 years. The building is famous for its grand scale and neoclassical architecture.
• Reimagined as a magnificent gathering place featuring more than 25,000 square feet of event spaces, Savanna Hall still retains many notes of its past, including its famed historic façade and delicately restored, interior terra cotta brick walls.
• Savanna Hall is suited to functions of all shapes, sizes, occasions and moods, including corporate events, galas, weddings, rehearsal dinners, bar and bat mitzvahs, meetings and much more.

A window to the wild

Savanna Hall features sweeping views onto Zoo Atlanta’s all-new African savanna from both exterior and interior vantage points.

Wildlife-watchers should look for African elephants, giraffes, zebras, warthogs, bird life and more in habitats that evoke the pageantry of the wild and the splendor of some of Earth’s most legendary landscapes.

Features

• Michael & Thalia Carlos Ballroom – a two-level space with floor-to-ceiling windows and access to two outdoor terraces overlooking the African savanna
• Panoramic view of Grant Park from the outdoor Delta Savanna Terrace
• Newly-renovated grand entry plaza
• Main banquet kitchen and separate, dedicated specialty kitchen equipped for kosher catering, kosher style and specialized cultural preferences
• Two versatile third-floor meeting rooms
• A/V system
• Inspired, chef-crafted menus and impeccable attention to dining detail from Proof of the Pudding
MICHAEL & THALIA CARLOS BALLROOM

The spectacular Michael & Thalia Carlos Ballroom at Savanna Hall combines the classic elegance of a grand ballroom with the majesty of the wild, featuring sweeping views and terrace overlooks of the Zoo’s African savanna. A naturally inspiring canvas for galas, wedding receptions, bar and bat mitzvahs and much more, the ballroom is a showcase of the Zoo’s extensive revitalization of Savanna Hall.

DELTA SAVANNA TERRACE

Overlooking Historic Grant Park and a newly-updated grand entry plaza, the outdoor Delta Savanna Terrace is an inspiring location against the backdrop of one of Atlanta’s most iconic structures. Neoclassical architecture creates the perfect background for outdoor cocktails, wedding photos and more.

CONFERENCE ROOMS

Savanna Hall features two 1,100 square-foot conference rooms – ideal for independent smaller meetings or as multipurpose event rooms with rental of the Michael & Thalia Carlos Ballroom. Spaces are equipped with monitors and laptop hookups.

EVENT ROOM

This 800 square-foot space features a panoramic window overlook of the Michael & Thalia Carlos Ballroom from the ballroom’s second floor. Space may be used for small meetings or intimate dinners.
FORD PAVILION & GRAND PATIO
1,200 Standing, 950 Seated
A destination for large company picnics, one-of-a-kind wedding receptions, black-tie galas, corporate dinners and much more, this 16,000 square-foot pavilion is a canvas for the transformation of your event. Evening rentals include use of the outdoor Grand Patio, a perfect space for cocktails and entertainment.

ZOO BUYOUT
Turn your wildest dreams into reality! The grounds of Zoo Atlanta are yours with acres of fun and discovery. Host your company picnic or special large gathering in the home of giant pandas, great apes, charismatic cats, extraordinary bird life and much more.

Rentals are available for up to 5,000 guests and include viewing of animal habitats until dusk, use of the Ford Pavilion, Panda Veranda and Chinese Plaza; and use of the Takamenda Gorilla Deck.

Make the occasion your own with a variety of additional entertainment options, including but not limited to face painters, caricature artists, magicians, stilt walkers, games and inflatables.

Customize your menu with casual bites or elaborate food stations to fit the needs and mood of your event.
CONSERVATION ACTION RESOURCE CENTER (ARC)
300 Standing, 250 Seated

The Conservation Action Resource Center (ARC) features three venues in one location. Enjoy the variety and versatility of all three with a rental of the entire ARC. Rental of this distinctive venue includes use of the Ford Conservation Conference Room, TECHlab and Coca-Cola World Studio. Daytime rentals include Zoo admission for up to 150 guests and use of the Zoo’s private Conservation Education Gate.

FORD CONSERVATION CONFERENCE ROOM
185 Standing, 150 Seated

This adaptable 2,000 square-foot space features a natural outdoor view, wall-to-wall windows and built-in audiovisual system. Daytime rentals include Zoo admission for up to 75 guests and use of the Zoo’s private Conservation Education Gate.

COCA-COLA WORLD STUDIO
217 Theater Seats

Ideal for awards ceremonies, corporate meetings, lectures and film screenings, this space features a 10’ X 13’ built-in screen with rear projection, stage and podium. Daytime rental includes Zoo admission for up to 150 guests and use of the Zoo’s private Conservation Education Gate. Theater is wheelchair accessible.

TECHLAB
75 Standing, 60 Seated

Team-building retreats, small meetings and more intimate receptions are a perfect fit for this space, which also features a natural view into the outdoors and state-of-the-art 78” smart board. Daytime rental includes Zoo admission for up to 40 guests and use of the Zoo’s private Conservation Education Gate.
 Invite your guests on a visually stunning and educational journey in the indoor Scaly Slimy Spectacular: The Amphibian and Reptile Experience. The complex is home to some of Earth’s rarest and most intriguing animals in state-of-the-art habitats replicating some of the planet’s most iconic wild places, from the billabongs of Australia to Georgia’s tidal creeks. Ask your event representative about including a visit from an ambassador animal.

Adjacent to the Zoo’s award-winning Scaly Slimy Spectacular: The Amphibian and Reptile Experience, this intimate indoor venue features tranquil underwater views of native Georgia turtles and fishes.

Host a memorable reception or seated dinner at one of only four locations in the U.S. where your guests can see giant pandas. Bamboo-lined pathways and traditional Chinese architecture turn your event into a destination. Rental includes use of the covered Panda Veranda patio, adjacent to the Zoo’s Arthur M. Blank Family Foundation Giant Panda Conservation Center.

SCALY SLIMY SPECTACULAR
150 Standing

GEORGIA EXTREMES
75 Standing, 50 Seated
FLAMINGO PLAZA
225 Standing, 180 Seated
Atlanta’s only flock of Chilean flamingos welcomes you with a one-of-a-kind backdrop for your cocktail reception or open-air dinner just inside the Zoo’s gates. Ask your event representative about including a 30-minute Flamingo Keeper Talk and Q&A to fascinate your guests.

TAKAMENDA GORILLA DECK
100 Standing, 70 Seated
Host cocktails under the stars or dine al fresco in an intimate event setting in the heart of the Zoo’s lush Ford African Rain Forest, home of one of North America’s largest populations of critically endangered western lowland gorillas.
Ask your event representative about including a special viewing of the Zoo’s dynamic family group of gorillas with a Gorilla Keeper Talk and Q&A for your guests.
WILD ADD-ONS

We offer one-stop services for all of your event planning needs, whether you need us to arrange transportation for your guests or provide unique, creative team-building options.

Ambassador animals: Make your guests’ experience one to remember with an up-close-and-personal encounter with an ambassador animal. Whether they’re furry, feathered or scaly, animal guests are sure to add an exciting dynamic to any event.

Treetop Trail presented by Kaiser Permanente: Perfect for team-building and outdoor fun for families, Treetop Trail invites your guests to tackle an aerial playground high above the Zoo’s KIDZone.

Rides: Add rides on the Endangered Species Carousel or Zoo train for a fun experience for kids and kids-at-heart.

Keeper Talks: One of the Zoo’s animal care experts offers fascinating facts, engaging insights and conservation inspiration in a personal talk and Q&A for your guests.

Entertainment: Your event specialist can assist in booking custom entertainment for your event. Whether you’re looking for a DJ, live band or other themed event entertainment, let us do the work for you. Talk with your event specialist about the wide variety of available options.

TWIGA TERRACE

200 Standing, 150 Seated

Earth’s tallest living mammals are among the wildlife that make the African savanna world-famous. Giraffes roam the backdrop of your gathering for a breathtaking experience. This space is newly expanded; package with Savanna Hall for an extraordinary, full-immersion event.
Innovations
- Locally-sourced, organic foods
- Trend-setting menu creations
- Sustainable menu design
- Customized menus and package pricing to meet the specific needs of your event

Eco-friendly promise
- Eco and bare compostable products
- Relationships with local farmers
- Chef’s garden grown on premises at corporate office
- Honeybee sanctuary on premises at corporate office

Browse menus for every palate, preference and occasion, delivered with unmatched attention to detail and customer satisfaction. Proof of the Pudding is fully equipped for kosher catering and kosher style.

Meet Proof of the Pudding, one of the Southeast’s most awarded culinary organizations and Zoo Atlanta’s exclusive partner for upscale menu excellence. Proof’s chefs are trained to maintain the high standards, quality, freshness, great taste and creative presentations that have served this leader in Atlanta’s culinary community for more than 35 years.

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