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About

The Water Works in Buffalo Bayou Park is an expansive outdoor venue with breathtaking views of the downtown Houston skyline just steps away from the Buffalo Bayou trail and green space network. Sitting atop the Visitor Center and Buffalo Bayou Park Cistern, a decommissioned drinking water reservoir, The Water Works is an elevated collection of spaces, including The Brown Foundation Lawn, the Hobby Family Pavilion, and the Wortham Insurance Terrace.

These open-air venues offer a modular layout that provides maximum flexibility for a wide variety of events—from corporate events and cocktail receptions to concerts and multi-day cultural celebrations. Spaces can be rented individually for smaller, more intimate gatherings or combined to accommodate larger festivals and performances.

Location

105 - B Sabine Street, Houston TX, 77007

Rental Availability

The Water Works venues are available to rent seven (7) days a week, fifty-two (52) weeks per year, based on Buffalo Bayou Partnership's public program schedule.

To learn more and schedule a tour, please contact:

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The Brown Foundation Lawn

The Brown Foundation Lawn is an open, grassy venue framed by sycamore trees and gravel paths. This expansive space is perfect for themed events, markets, and 5k run finish line celebrations. Multiple outlets and light fixtures are available throughout the lawn.

DETAILS

Capacity

3,065

Dimensions

250' x 151'

DAY OF	WEEK	RENTAL	FEE
		\$3,500 \$4,500	









Hobby Family Pavilion

The Hobby Family Pavilion is a covered, open-air stage facing The Brown Foundation Lawn and is well-suited for concerts, dance performances, and small ceremonies. The pavilion is outfitted with recessed stage lights, amplifier panels and outlets, and globe lights.

DETAILS

Capacity

115

Dimensions

71' x 20'

DAY OF	WEEK	RENTAL	FEE
	- THURSDAY - SUNDAY	\$2,000 \$2,500	









Wortham Insurance Terrace

The Wortham Insurance Terrace sits atop the Visitor Center and overlooks the entry court and downtown skyline. This covered pavilion provides a shady platform for receptions, exercise classes, and memorable occasions with a sparkling backdrop. Overhead lighting and various outlets are available.

DETAILS

Capacity

220

Dimensions

80' x 33'

DAY OF N	WEEK	RENTAL	FEE
		\$2,500 \$3,000	









The Water Works (All Spaces)

All three spaces that comprise The Water Works may be rented together to accommodate large events and provide multiple spaces for activities and engagement.

Please contact the Venue Coordinator for more information on capacity and details for renting all spaces simultaneously.

DETAILS

Capacity

3,400

Dimensions

401' x 204'

DAY OF	WEEK	RENTAL FEE
	- THURSDAY - SUNDAY	\$8,000 \$10,000









Rates

The Brown Foundation Lawn

DAY OF WEEK	RENTAL FEE
MONDAY - THURSDAY	\$3,500
FRIDAY - SUNDAY	\$4,500

Hobby Family Pavilion

DAY OF WEEK	RENTAL FEE
MONDAY - THURSDAY	\$2,000
FRIDAY - SUNDAY	\$2,500

Wortham Insurance Terrace

DAY OF WEEK	RENTAL FEE
MONDAY - THURSDAY	\$2,500
FRIDAY - SUNDAY	\$3,000

The Water Works (All Spaces)

DAY OF WEEK	RENTAL FEE
MONDAY - THURSDAY	\$8,000
FRIDAY - SUNDAY	\$10,000



Contact

The Water Works in Buffalo Bayou Park

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Established in 1986, Buffalo Bayou Partnership (BBP) is the nonprofit organization creating and stewarding welcoming parks, trails, and unique spaces, connecting Houstonians with the city's most significant natural waterway. BBP focuses on a 10-mile stretch of Buffalo Bayou, from Shepherd Drive through downtown, into the East End, and on to the Port of Houston Turning Basin. In addition to spearheading and maintaining award-winning green spaces such as Buffalo Bayou Park, BBP also removes trash from the waterway, restores and preserves natural habitats, and engages tens of thousands of visitors each year through dynamic programming, public art, volunteer events, and recreational opportunities.

Venue rentals of The Water Works directly support Buffalo Bayou Partnership's mission and work.

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