Weddings at
Nikka Yuko Japanese Garden

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NIKKA YUKO JAPANESE GARDEN

2027

We are delighted that you have chosen to host your wedding day at Nikka Yuko Japanese Garden. We will endeavour to ensure that you and your guests have a wonderful and unique experience. Plan your special day in any season for stunning scenery all year round.

Our staff will be here to support you throughout the process: from rehearsal, to ceremony, to photos and reception. Let us help you realize your vision of a beautiful garden celebration with several packages and options to suit your budget.

Important notes:

• **Peak Season:** From early/mid-May to Thanksgiving in October. Peak-season rates apply during of this period.

• **Off-Season:** From Thanksgiving to early May. Off-season weddings are held **indoors only**, in the Bunka Center Large Venue Room. Off-season rates apply.

• Unavailability: Sundays and the month of December are unavailable for wedding bookings due to scheduled performances and the annual Winter Light Festival.

• Garden Accessibility: The Nikka Yuko Japanese Garden remains open to the public during wedding ceremonies. Our staff will ensure visitors do not access the wedding area or ring the Friendship Bell during the ceremony.

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SHAKUYAKU PACKAGE

25 people

Wedding packages include ceremony seating, a signing table, a PA system, and one rehearsal. Peak-season packages, available from May through Thanksgiving, include garden admission for all wedding guests and the option of an indoor or outdoor ceremony. Off-season weddings are held indoors in the Bunka Centre and include a garden photo session when the garden is open and available. Ceremony and reception packages also include table and chair setup, complimentary coffee and tea, an additional room for caterers, and venue access until 10 PM.

	CEREMONY ONLY (4 HOURS)	CEREMONY + RECEPTION (VENUE CLOSES AT 10PM)
PEAK SEASON	$1200	$2400
OFF SEASON	$300	$600

(Sha-koo-ya-koo)

Peony - symbolizing modesty, humbleness & happy marriage

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AJISAI PACKAGE

50 people

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	CEREMONY ONLY (4 HOURS)	CEREMONY + RECEPTION (VENUE CLOSES AT 10PM)
PEAK SEASON	$1600	$3200
OFF SEASON	$500	$1000

(Ah-jii-sa-ee)

Hydrangea - symbolizing open-mindedness, happy family & prosperity

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SAKURA PACKAGE

80 people

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	CEREMONY ONLY (4 HOURS)	CEREMONY + RECEPTION (VENUE CLOSES AT 10PM)
PEAK SEASON	$2000	$4000
OFF SEASON	$700	$1400

(Sah-koo-rah)

Cherry blossom – symbolizing elegance, grace & refinement

ENHANCEMENTS

Enhance your day

ADDITIONAL COST

BARTENDER(provided by Nikka Yuko) - $25/hour/bartender
A minimum booking of three hours is required. The bartender must be present for the entire reception, plus one additional hour for bar setup and cleanup. The bartender will assist with general cleaning during and after the reception and will safely store any items left behind for pickup by 12 PM the following day.

A ProServe-certified bartender is required whenever alcohol is served, whether it is supplied by the renter or purchased through the venue. The bartender is responsible for the safe and responsible service of alcohol and will not serve minors or intoxicated guests.

WEDDING ARCH - Available for rent: Wooden Outdoor Arch - $100 / Indoor Small Arch - $50
Both with and without a simple decoration.

VENUE DECORATIONS - Outside Cost
Decorations and Tablecloths aside from white or black, must be provided by the venue renter and/or rented from a decorator. Please request the list of approved vendors.

PHOTOGRAPHER(S) -Outside Cost
Please arrange own photographers. No drones are allowed at any time.

BRIDAL ROOM- $150 (ceremony only)/ $300 (ceremony +reception, for full length of event)
Book an additional room for the bridal group for preparations, touch-ups and storing personal items. Access is limited to the immediate family/bridal group only. Water Service, Coat Rack & Mirror included. Room can be locked.

HALLWAY RECEPTION -$500 (Based on availability)
The hallway reception provides you extra space for your reception or food service.

WEDDINGS

BOOKING PROCESS

Review - Read this Brochure and the rental agreement. Take note of fees, Conditions of Use, and Policies.

Email - Message booking@nikkayuko.com with the date, type of event, approximate number of guests, and time (start-end) of event.

Venue Tour - Schedule a tour with the Venue and Events Coordinator. The Venue Manager will provide a quote based on your wedding plan.

Confirm - Your rental will be considered confirmed and booked only when we receive your non-refundable deposit, and a signed wedding rental agreement.

Rehearsal - One to two month prior to your wedding, the Venue Manager will contact you to schedule a rehearsal date and time. The Venue Manager will confirm the final attendance, set-up, and any other outstanding details. (rehearsal is included as part of the package).

Wedding Day - In the case of inclement weather, the Venue Manager will contact you 3 hours prior to the wedding ceremony start time to confirm the location of the ceremony (outdoor or indoor). This will be your decision.

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CONDITIONS OF USE

Nikka Yuko Japanese Garden (NYJG), through the care of the Lethbridge & District Japanese Garden Society, requires all renters to submit a credit card authorization for incidentals at the time of booking. Cash/debit card/ cheque/chargeable credit card(visa debit)/visa gift card/credit card expiring prior to your event date are not accepted.

Incidental expenses include, but are not limited to: Fees for the unplanned use of hallway, or extra rooms; Cost of any losses or damage to equipment or property; Additional cleaning expenses.

DECORATING GUIDELINES:

Decorations must be set up according to the schedule agreed upon by you and the Venue Manager. Our staff will set up tables, chairs and other agreed upon items that are provided by NYJG.

The NYJG does not provide any tools or decorating supplies, please ensure that you bring everything you need.

NOT PERMITTED:

- Adhesive tape on any surface, thumbtacks, or nails
- Wild flowers, unless obtained from a professional florist
- Lit candles and other open flames
- Decorations hung from the ceiling or attached to windows or walls, unless installed by a professional decorator and leaving no damage
- Glitter, confetti or large amount of petals
- Powder canons, fog machines
- Glass or other fragile decorations that may shatter

PERMITTED:

- Arches and other stand-alone decorations
- CSA-approved electric mini lights and decor

OTHER THINGS TO NOTE:

Equipment belonging to the NYJG is not permitted to be taken off the premises.

Personal property is the responsibility of those attending your function, including anything left in the unsupervised coat check.

Nikka Yuko Japanese Garden is a smoke and vape-free environment *including within the garden walls.* Smoking/vaping will also not be allowed within 5 meters of any of the L&DJGS buildings, windows or doorways.

If you are serving your own alcohol, please ensure you supply a **Special Event License as required by Alberta Gaming, Liquor and Cannabis Commission (AGLC).** A copy of your Special Event License will be required for our files a week prior to your booking.

If you are serving your own alcohol, you must provide a **Pro-Serve certified bartender,** with a current certificate.

Parking is available in the Henderson Lake Public parking lot located directly west of the Bunka Centre. NYJG has a limited ability to reserve spots for the wedding party only.

Events are to end by your scheduled time or 10:00 pm at the latest. Renters should announce a **last call** for liquor sales 30 minutes prior and have their guests leave by the scheduled time. All guests/vendors/DJ, must leave the building by 10pm at the latest. Staying overtime is subject to additional charges.

Drone photography/filming is not allowed at any time.

Catering is welcomed by **approved caterers.** Homemade food is accepted, but renters must note that **Neither the Bunka Center nor the garden has the facilities for cooking or preparing food.** There is limited access to coolers for storing food during the event.

The garden does not close to the public during ceremonies.

The NYJG reserves the right to refuse a booking.

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CLEANING CHECKLIST

Renters are required to ensure they have left Nikka Yuko Japanese Garden and its indoor event spaces clean and in the same condition as they were.

RENTAL SPACES

Tables, floors, and walls to be cleared of all garbage, recyclable containers, and decor. Garbage & recyclables should be placed in the provided bins.

All food is to be removed from the building as well as all dishes and utensils.

Any items provided by a professional decorator must be removed after the event.

All items provided by Nikka Yuko, including chairs, tables, and tablecloths, may be left in place for our staff to attend to.

CATERING KITCHEN/BAR

All recyclable beverage containers and garbage are to be put in the appropriate bins.

Sink, faucets and counter tops are to be wiped clean.

All foods must be removed from the cooler and the cooler wiped clean as needed.

Schedule a walk through Nikka Yuko Japanese Garden and Bunka Centre to find out how we can make your dreams come to life.

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