

### Location, Location!

Heal the Bay's Santa Monica Pier Aquarium offers one of the most unique locations in Southern California, located beach level at the historic Santa Monica Pier. The Aquarium is naturally decorated with exhibits of live animals of the Bay, from the leopard sharks, fish and rays swimming to the majestic sea jellies gracefully floating nearby. Staff and volunteers will be on hand to explain the wonders of the sea to your guests.

#### Venues

The Gallery: The Aquarium Gallery provides a beautiful undersea world backdrop for any occasion. Guests can simply mingle and gaze at the marine life or roll up their sleeves for close encounters with the creatures in our tide pool touch tanks. The science lab just off the main gallery is perfect for staging a casual buffet.



**The Green Room:** Versatile describes the Green Room: plan an intimate sitdown dinner for up to 40, host a business meeting for 50, or use this newly-remodeled space as additional mix-and-mingle room for your party guests. Take advantage of the Green Room's AV amenities to encourage more mingling or dancing.





**The Patio:** The Gallery doors open to a patio enclosed for privacy, but the colorful banners overhead let in enough of the California sunshine and comfortable breezes to add to the beachside atmosphere.



## **Venue Capacities**

	Banquet tables w/Sit-Down	Tall Cocktail	Conference Style	U-Shape Style
	.,	Rounds w/Buffet	3	<b>-</b>
The Gallery	N/A	60	N/A	N/A
The Green Room	40	65	50	50
The Patio	30	30	N/A	N/A

Utilizing the entire facility, the Aquarium can accommodate 155 people total for a non-seated event.

## **Catering**

The Aquarium lists a number of Party Partners on our website. These companies provide onsite delivery options and can customize their products and services based on your special needs – and a portion of the proceeds from any Party Partner catering directly supports Heal the Bay's mission to protect our coastal waters. Securing a caterer for an event is up to the client but Aquarium staff can provide assistance for special deals; if serving alcohol, the client's caterer must hold a liquor license to serve.

## The Essentials

# Please contact us for specific pricing options. We are flexible and willing to work within your budget.

What is included in the facility fee?

- ❖ Tables (7, 6ft rectangular banquet tables)
- ❖ Banquet Chairs (60)
- ❖ 3 Black & 7 Navy floor length table linens
- ❖ Microphones and sound system (wireless and handheld mic options)
- ❖ AV equipment and podium for presentations − (Projector, screen, and laptop)

What are the optional upgrade choices?

- Tents
- ❖ The Deck 10 picnic tables on the Pier above the Aquarium
- DJ
- ❖ Pacific Park passes
- Special animal presentations
  - o Shark Experience, Sea Star Feeding, Back Pad Tour
- Sustainable seafood presentations

What are additional costs?

Parking

What forms of payment are accepted?

- ❖ We accept personal checks for all deposits or remaining balances
- Major credit cards
- Cash

#### **20** Contact us **20**

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#### How To Find Us

The Santa Monica Pier Aquarium is located at beach level, beneath the historic Carousel on the Santa Monica Pier. Please visit our website for a map.

### **Driving Directions**

## SOUTHBOUND ON PACIFIC COAST HIGHWAY FROM PACIFIC PALISADES/MALIBU

Move to the right lane after the California Incline. Keep to the extreme right and follow signs to the beach/Pier parking. Make a right turn at the stop sign to enter the all day beach parking lot.

WESTBOUND ON SANTA MONICA FREEWAY (the 10 Freeway) Exit the 10 Freeway at 4th St. exit and turn left onto 4th St. Turn right onto Pico Blvd. Proceed on Pico, crossing Main Street to turn right on Appian Way at the stop sign at the bottom of the hill. Proceed north to the Pier until the signs force all traffic to turn left into the parking lot.

#### SOUTHBOUND ON OCEAN AVE. FROM WILSHIRE BLVD.

Proceed south **past** the entrance to the Pier and **past** the intersection with Pacific Coast Highway (Moomat Ahiko Way). Turn right onto Seaside Terrace, which is the first small street just past PCH. At the stop sign at the bottom of the hill, turn right onto Appian Way and proceed north toward the Pier until the signs force all traffic to turn left into the parking lot.

## NORTHBOUND ON OCEAN AVE. (OR LINCOLN BLVD.) FROM VENICE

Turn left onto Pico Blvd. Proceed on Pico, crossing Main Street to turn right on Appian Way at the bottom of the hill. Continue north toward the Pier until the signs force all traffic to turn left into the parking lot.

## Please Note: It IS Easy Being Green

As an environmental organization dedicated to a healthy ocean, please consider the following when planning your event at the Aquarium.

- Please do not bring these items to the Aquarium: balloons, Styrofoam products, dried sea stars, shells or other dried ocean artifacts.
- We request you avoid using individual disposable water bottles. We can provide pitchers of filtered tap water.
- When possible, please have your caterer use both dishware and silverware or consider purchasing recyclable or compostable disposal plates, cups and utensils.