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BALDWIN HILLS SCENIC OVERLOOK

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**Baldwin Hills Scenic Overlook**

**Special Events Guidelines**

The Baldwin Hills Scenic Overlook is a California State Park and its primary objective is to promote the mission of California State Parks. We are happy to offer the park as a venue for your special event, but we must ensure the integrity of this valuable resource for the enjoyment of all visitors in the years to come.

Events are held only in designated areas of the grounds and interior facilities at the Baldwin Hills Scenic Overlook and Visitor Center Complex. A special use permit will indicate which areas are to be used for each special event. The public may concurrently use adjacent areas of the property during regular park hours and your event must not impede public access to facility restrooms.

**Rules and Restrictions**

1. Wedding ceremonies will be permitted on the Scenic Overlook, in the Native Plant Garden/Natural Amphitheater, Pavilion, Skyline Terrace or other areas as designated by California State Parks representative. (Please note, there are no electrical outlets at the Overlook.)

2. The Pavilion, Skyline Terrace and immediately surrounding area (see plot plan) will be available for receptions or other types of educational, cultural and corporate events. Electricity is available in both areas.

3. Events with food must be catered. All caterers must participate in facility training and site tour prior to working on-site. Upon request State Representative will provide a list of caterers currently certified to work at Baldwin Hills Scenic Overlook. You may use a caterer of your own choosing. However, they must meet with the State Park representative for a site tour and training regarding special event policies, rules and restrictions. Using a caterer who is not on our list will add $150.00 dollars to the permit fee. Food trucks are allowed and subject to the same requirements.

4. Caterers must provide trash receptacles and trash removal.

5. All facilities will be clean and inspected prior to event.

6. All facilities must be clean and undamaged at inspection after event breakdown.

7. Planted areas, lawns, and drains on the grounds and in buildings must NOT be used to dump any liquids or solids, i.e. beverages, ice, dirty water from dishes, or scraps from food preparation

8. The theater and conference room will be available for meetings, conferences, screenings, filming, lectures, and educational programs.

9. Permittees must provide their own audio visual equipment for use in the theater and conference room.

10. Sixty chairs and ten 6–foot tables are available upon request for use in the theater. Chairs cannot be transported or used on the Overlook or Skyline Terrace.

11. In theater and conference room food and beverage should be limited to continental breakfast items and/or boxed lunches.

12. Events cannot be scheduled less than 5 days in advance.

13. Events running over, in excess of 15 minutes, will be charged accordingly.
14. The Visitor Center is not available to the general public for special events.

15. The Visitor Center conference room may be used as a bridal room upon request. Availability will be for 2 hours prior to ceremony.

16. Facility restrooms are available for events but must also remain accessible to the public during regular park hours unless alternative public restrooms are made available.

17. Skyline Terrace capacity is 200

18. Conference room capacity is 20

19. Pavilion / Overlook maximum seating capacity is 100-120

20. Theater maximum seating capacity is 89

21. Events must occur between the hours of 8:00 am and 12:00 am. Breakdown down of the event must be finalized and all vendors off premises, with gates closed and locked by 12:00 am.

22. No beverages, including alcohol, may be sold; a host bar is required. It is the responsibility of the Permittee and its vendors to ensure that no alcohol is served to anyone under the age of 21. All the alcohol that is planned on being consumed must arrive before the guests. Alcohol may not be brought into the premises after guests arrive. Distribution of alcohol must be overseen by the licensed caterer.

23. If Alcohol is served at the event, a State Park Ranger is required for event monitoring.

24. If anyone under the age of 21 is caught consuming alcohol, alcohol service at your event will be terminated.

25. Uniformed State Park Representatives at events are present to protect the Park resources and ensure compliance with the terms of the permit. State Representatives will not provide security for your event, direct parking, or monitor guest arrival.

26. The Permittee may only use power outlets as indicated by the State Park Representative.

27. The Permittee shall not affix any decoration into, nor onto, any of the buildings, structures, trees or other vegetation without prior approval of California State Parks staff. Use of double-sided tape, staples, nails, or tacks is prohibited.

28. Candles or open flame are prohibited. Battery operated lanterns or candles may be used.

29. Wedding parties shall not throw rice. Party balloons, confetti and fresh flower petals are prohibited. Live birds may not be released into the air or on the grounds.

30. Pets are not allowed at the Baldwin Hills Scenic Overlook.

31. Photo sessions outside the permitted hours of your event must be pre-approved and permitted.

32. General liability insurance is required for your event. Permittee should purchase an umbrella insurance policy naming California State Parks as additional insured in the amount of $500,000.00 dollars minimum. Evidence of insurance is required no later than one week prior to the event.

33. Staging area for vendors and catering vehicles will be allowed behind the Pavilion. A single catering vehicle may stay in the area for the duration of food preparation only.

34. Vendor deliveries and pick-up must occur the day of the event.

35. Smoking at the Baldwin Hills Scenic Overlook is prohibited.

36. Parking for guests is included in the cost of the permit for receptions and/or ceremonies.
37. Parking is not included with theater and conference room rentals. Up to 40 parking spaces for theater and/or conference room may be reserved for an additional cost of $6.00 dollars per parking space.

38. Shuttle service will be required for off-site parking and must be arranged by permittee.

39. Failure to abide by the rules and regulations as specified and incorporated in the event permit may result in event termination.

40. Special events on holidays will incur additional fees.

### Event Fees

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**Event Prep/Strike**

- Event in excess of 4 hours: $150.00/hour
- Overlook prep/strike: $150.00/hour

### Deposits

To confirm your reservation, a non-refundable deposit of $1,000.00 dollars should be provided by money order, cashier's check, or personal check made payable to California State Parks and returned with a completed special event permit. Please provide your driver's license number on all personal checks. Please mail payments and completed special event permit application to:

California State Parks  
Attn: Baldwin Hills Special Events  
1799 Baker st  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Fee balance is due 30 days prior to your event. Insurance verification is due one week prior to your event. Cancellation less than 30 days in advance forfeits entire event fee.

*All fees include the cost of monitoring by uniformed State Park employees. State Park monitors will be on-site to ensure that the terms and conditions of this permit are met. They will also work with the public to ensure the privacy of your event, however public use must be accommodated during regular park hours.*