

MARRIED AT THE MANSION



PART OF YOUR STORY

Follow in the footsteps of generations of newlyweds with a wedding celebration at the Mansion House in Calderstones Park.

The Grade II listed Mansion House is one of Liverpool's most iconic and unique venues to host your special day. Right in the heart of the beautiful Calderstones Park, we are thrilled to offer exclusive use of our Theatre Room, lovingly restored in 2019 with full bifold doors which open onto a private garden for your guests to enjoy. Adorned simply with twinkling fairy lights and fitted with a sprung floor to dance the night away, this historic space is a blank canvas with character for you to create the wedding of your dreams.

Pam and Keith, married at Calderstones in 1968





WEDDINGS WITH A DIFFERENCE

As a charity, The Reader puts people first, and you can be sure that your guests will enjoy the warmest of Reader welcomes.

Our friendly and experienced team will be on hand to advise and guide you through your celebration – from your very first viewing, to the departure of your last guest, we will attend to every detail with care.

We can help you select readings from poetry and literature, suggest literary references for your table plans, or even create bespoke wedding favours using your favourite poetry.

And, by choosing to celebrate with us, you're making a difference to people and communities across the UK.



A ROOM WITH A VIEW



The Theatre Room is an art deco inspired part of the Georgian Mansion House, added to the building in the 1940s. Following the 2019 refurbishment, the room is now a beautiful event space that can be transformed to suit all tastes.

Perfect for both ceremonies and receptions, the Theatre Room comfortably holds up to 100 ceremony and wedding breakfast guests and offers additional capacity for evening receptions.

In a nod to its past life as an open air theatre, a design feature of the Theatre Room is the line of bi-folding doors that offer uninterrupted views out to the secret garden and private terrace at the rear of the House.

Capacities at a glance

Seated: 108

Evening: depending on venue layout, capacity is varied.

Options for increased capacity are available with marquee hire.



MAKE YOURSELF AT HOME

Located on the ground floor are three beautiful Reading Rooms, which can be made available on your big day if you require additional space for guests to freshen up, or for safe storage in the evening. Our Reading Rooms are also licensed to hold smaller, intimate ceremonies.



BRINGING THE OUTSIDE IN

For larger parties in need of additional space, slide back the bi-folding doors of the Theatre Room and take the sweeping staircase out into the Mansion House's magical secret garden.



There's also plenty of room for a marquee if you're looking for that extra wow factor.

In the garden, guests can take in the beauty of the parkland as they sip a welcome drink or meander along the path to the glass enclosure where the Neolithic Calder Stones, which give the local area its name, are housed.

As old as Stonehenge, the 5,000 year-old Calder Stones are one of the UK's most significant ancient monuments and offer a unique backdrop to your celebration.

- **Approved venue hosting ceremonies and receptions**
- **Exclusive access to private garden and outdoor terrace**
- **City location in a historic park setting**
- **Fully licensed bar until midnight**
- **Facilities to support live band and/or DJs**
- **Fully accessible venue**
- **Free parking on site**
- **Locally sourced food**
- **Bespoke menu created by our in-house chefs**





FOOD & DRINK



Everything on our menu is fresh and locally sourced.

From delicious canapés and traditional three-course menu, to BBQ's, bowl food, buffets and even a Cheshire Farm ice cream cart - our team will work to design a menu with you and your guests in mind.



Our bar is fully stocked with draught beers, wines and a selection of spirits, as well as plenty of non-alcoholic options and soft drinks. We're happy to create a special cocktail for your celebrations. Talk to us about drinks packages, available to suit all budgets.



Got something extra special in mind? We'll come up with something perfect.



**“What greater thing
is there for two
human souls, than
to feel that they are
joined for life?”**

From Adam Bede by George Eliot





ABOUT THE READER

For over twenty years, The Reader has been building a community of Shared Reading groups across the UK and around the world. Here, people connect and share experiences using stories and poems. There is no pressure to talk or read aloud.

These groups happen in all sorts of places including libraries, care homes, cathedrals, cafes, hospitals, prisons, and at our home in Liverpool's Calderstones Park – the International Centre for Shared Reading and are attended by people from all walks of life.

We believe that literature's unique power has the potential to connect individuals, help us feel better and to rebuild lost social bonds. Shared Reading is needed now more than ever.

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**Honestly,
seriously,
without
word of
a lie, this is
what's kept
me alive.**

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Shared
Reading
group



500+
groups around
the UK



10,000+
Readers
per year



95%
Mood lifted
after a session



85%
feel like they
belong to a
community

If you're looking for a venue with a difference, that helps make a difference, we can't wait to hear from you. For more details, or to arrange a viewing, speak to our events team on 0151 729 2225 or email events@thereader.org.uk

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Chris and Jake

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Car parking:

There are free parking spaces at three points in the park: two car parks at the Calderstones Road entrance adjacent to Cromptons Lane, and a third at the Yewtree Road entrance. The nearest accessible car park and drop off point can be reached from the Calderstones Road entrance.

Access information and facilities:

Every floor of the Mansion House is accessible to wheelchair users via a lift. Accessible toilets are available on every level. Baby changing facilities are available on the ground floor.



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