

About Edwards Place



Edwards Place, built in 1833 and remodeled in 1857, is an historic house museum that tells the story of social and domestic life in Abraham Lincoln's Springfield, Illinois. Newly restored (2015) to its antebellum glory, this Italianate mansion was one a center for social activity in Springfield. Prominent citizens and politicians were entertained at lavish dinner parties and the grounds played host to many summer picnics and political rallies.

Edwards Place was the home of attorney Benjamin Edwards, youngest son of Governor Ninian Edwards and brother-in-law of Mary Lincoln's sister Elizabeth. Edwards Place is currently home to the "courting couch" on which Lincoln and Mary Todd sat during the early days of their romance, originally the property of Ninian Edwards.



What is the Springfield Art Association?

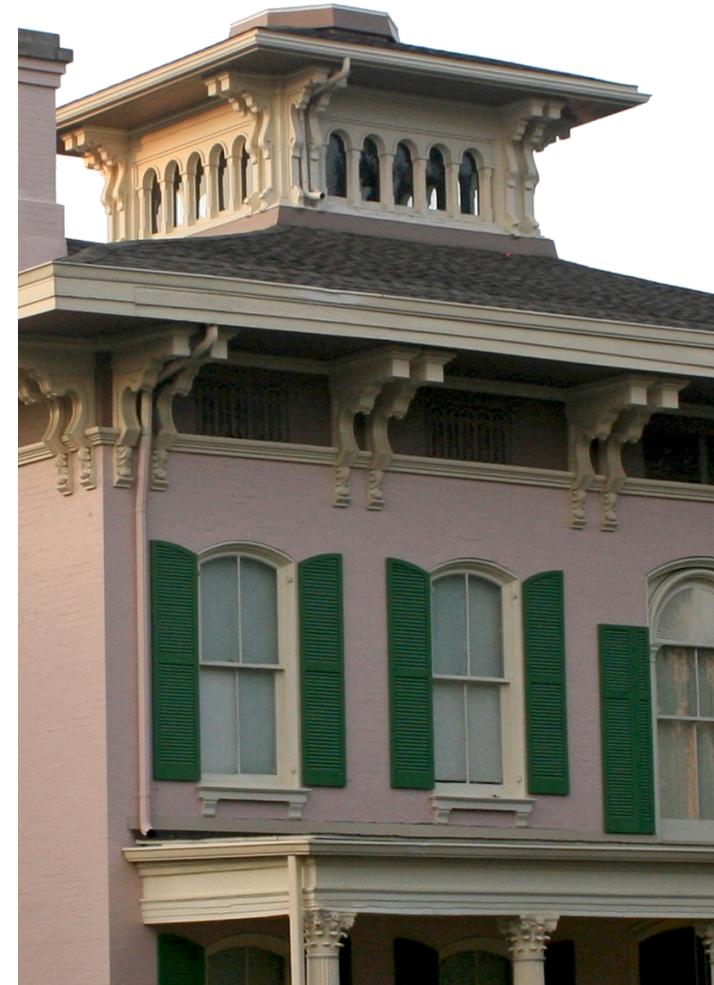
By hosting an event at the Springfield Art Association, you're not just choosing a beautiful venue, you are giving back to your community. The proceeds from your rental event make it possible for the SAA to offer high-quality, low-cost visual arts exhibits, classes, events, and programming to the community, as well as to maintain and interpret historic Edwards Place.



Email office@springfieldart.org to inquire about holding your event at the Springfield Art Association. Please include preferred dates, approximate number of guests, desired venue, and type of celebration.

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Historic Edwards Place

Edwards Place was a social center of antebellum Springfield. In its gracious parlors Abraham Lincoln, Stephen Douglas, Ulysses S. Grant, and other IL luminaries gathered at elegant parties and balls. You, too, can have your party in the same rooms where Abraham and Mary Lincoln were guests more than 150 years ago, now meticulously restored to the grandeur of their antebellum days.



Seated dinner for up to **50** persons

Cocktail reception for up to **120** persons

\$600 per two-hour event /

\$500 SAA members

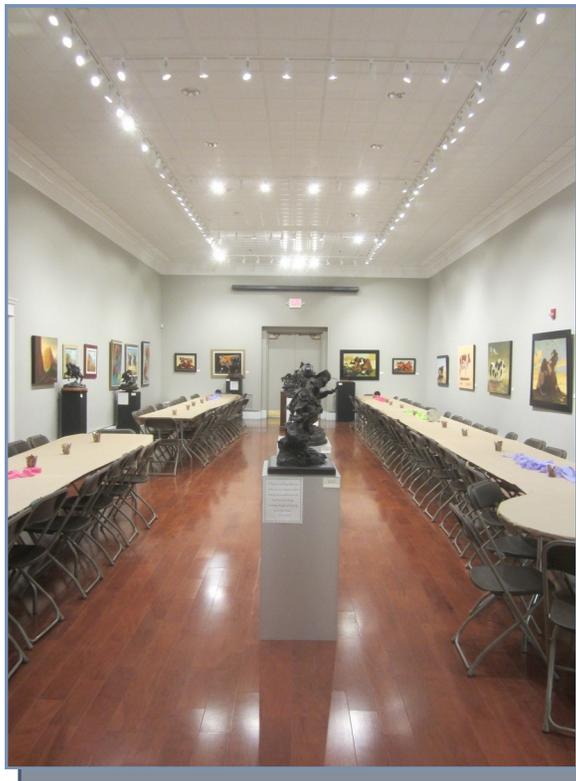
(includes two hours for set-up and clean-up)

\$100 each additional hour

Photo shoots may be arranged at Edwards Place

M.G. Nelson Family Gallery

The 1300-square foot MG Nelson Family Gallery of Art underwent a complete remodel in 2014. Every month a new exhibit graces the walls of this contemporary, classy space. Consider hosting your graduate or business holiday party in this large open space with drop down projection screen for video capability.



Seated dinner for up to **75** persons

Cocktail reception for up to **150** persons

\$375 per two-hour event /

\$300 SAA members

(includes two hours for set-up and clean-up)

\$100 each additional hour

Edwards Place and the Gallery of Art may be rented together for \$850/\$750 SAA members

Condell Studio of Art

For a relaxed, bohemian vibe, look to the Condell Gallery of Art for your event. Boasting the best north light in town, this laid-back space is perfect for casual get-togethers, business retreat, meeting space, or for children or adults' parties.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE AN ARTIST TO HOST WITH A PROJECT, PLEASE REQUEST FOR AN ADDITIONAL COST.



Banquet-style seating for up to **80** persons

Cocktail reception for up to **150** persons

\$50 per two-hour event

(includes two hours for set-up and clean-up)

\$25 each additional hour

Availability subject to class and special event calendar