



We've Been Nominated! ...and here's why:

Nomination #1: Best Venue for Youth Retreats & Camps

Youth-friendly is one of the many ways to describe the University of Maryland, College Park. With more than 8,000 beds on campus, plus two dining halls and dozens of places to meet, learn and play, planners of youth and sports groups can rest easy bringing their young clients to this sprawling 1,800 acre suburban venue featuring 1,200 acres of park-like grounds on a campus just 9 miles from the nation's capital. Each summer, sports camps that are run by our Big Ten Conference coaches combine with college immersion, special studies, and STEAM programs to stimulate young minds. Our Ropes Challenge Course, Rock Climbing Wall, homemade ice cream, and TerpZone facility are must-do additions for any youth program. The University of Maryland, College Park can also provide in-house motor coach charters that make ground transportation to nearby Annapolis, Baltimore, and Washington, D.C. a breeze. Served by three international airports, our campus is an easy-to-reach venue that will be especially easy on travel budgets.

Nomination #2: Best Venue for Weddings

Gorgeous in all seasons, the Adele H. Stamp Student Union, Samuel Riggs IV Alumni Center, and Memorial Chapel at the University of Maryland, College Park provide a setting for more than 8,200 special events each year. With two ballrooms, a 500 seat theater, and 17 meeting rooms, the **Adele H. Stamp Student Union** is the center for campus life at the University of Maryland-College Park. The Stamp serves the needs of campus and off-campus communities including but not limited to students, staff, visitors, community members, and local businesses and establishments. The Stamp hosts 6,000 events annually including academic and professional conferences, receptions, birthday and anniversary parties, meetings, and weddings. All event reservations include personalized event coordination, specialized equipment and audio-visual set-up, in-house retail food options or full-service catering. The Stamp also features an array of entertainment which includes an art gallery, 8 bowling lanes, 10 billiard tables, a Lounge area with multiple TVs and video consoles compatible with the latest gaming technologies. Its central location makes it accessible to the University of Maryland Memorial Chapel. The **Memorial Chapel** is a multi-faith non-denominational venue with four unique spaces ideal for weddings, graduations, religious services, bereavement ceremonies, and secular concerts and performances. The interior features an abundance of natural light, gorgeous pillars, and perfect acoustics suitable for celebrations of all sizes. The architecturally stunning Main Chapel boasts a vaulted ceiling, a majestic pipe organ and two-level seating for up to 1000, while the cozy and warm Garden Chapel is adorned with wooden pews, a vibrant Tree of Life art installation, and seating for up to 100. Professional meetings, small group facilitations, and private luncheons may be held in the Lounge or Conference Room. Overlooking the Chapel is the Labyrinth and Garden of Reflection and Remembrance, a scenic space optimal for outdoor parties, intimate gatherings, wellness retreats, and rustic weddings. Forever a historical icon, Memorial Chapel is a premier event venue for visitors, patrons, and alumni of all faiths, cultures and walks of life. The **Samuel Riggs IV Alumni Center** is a story that continues to be written in the lives of those who find it perfect for their special event. Accessible via campus shuttles, private transportation services, and a nearby transit system, Riggs Alumni Center is a convenient location for your ideal event with 10 unique meeting spaces. In addition to providing flexible food and beverage options which include an assortment of 14 local caterers, it is the picture-perfect venue for all occasions whether you're an alumnus, student, or friend. May it be an intimate wedding rehearsal in the Robert J. and Mary Charlotte Chaney Library or a conference for 500 in the Dorothy D. and Nicholas Orem Ballroom, Riggs Alumni Center features a rich interior with a grand marble foyer, fireplace, and a custom stained-glass ocular. The Howard G. Crist Jr. and Gertrude H. Crist Executive Board Room is ideal for meetings up to 50 or a lavish banquet for 80. Surrounded by natural lighting, the Phillip R. Rever Alumni Hall of Fame accommodates tea parties, art exhibits, cocktail hours, and trade expositions. With the beautiful Pedro E. and Ann G. Wasmer Rotunda and the Eleanor F. and Charles Young Jr. Garden Terrace, Riggs Alumni Center is the quintessential site for reunions, galas, proms, quinceaneras, wedding ceremonies, receptions, conferences, and birthday and anniversary parties. The Dessie M. Moxley Gardens features a crystalline fountain ideal for a picturesque garden wedding, an engagement photoshoot, or a celebratory party of your choosing. The Samuel Riggs IV Alumni Center is more than a building—it is a place to meet, entertain, and celebrate. The University of Maryland, College Park is the one-stop shop for weddings, events and conferences.

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