



## **PROFESSIONAL PHOTOGRAPHY ETIQUETTE AND PERMITS AT MINNESOTA LANDSCAPE ARBORETUM**

Professional photographers providing photography services for wedding parties, engagement photos, prom photos, family portraits and senior portraits must purchase an annual or daily professional photographer permit.

### **PROFESSIONAL PHOTOGRAPHERS**

- Purchase an annual or daily photographer permit by noon the prior business day of the scheduled session. All permits can be purchased through the Arboretum reservations office.
- Permit badges must be clearly displayed while on the premises. Badges can be picked up at the Oswald Visitor Center information desk the day of the photo session or they will be mailed out.
- With a permit, photographers have access to take photos on the Arboretum property, but they must be respectful and not intrude on events or guests that are visiting that day.

### **WEDDING PHOTOGRAPHY**

- All wedding clients who have booked their ceremony or reception at the Arboretum are able to schedule an engagement photo session and take photos on the day of their wedding without purchasing a permit.
- For weddings hosted off site, the wedding couple will need to confirm that their photographer holds an annual or daily professional photographer permit to have photos taken on the Arboretum property.

### **COMMERCIAL PHOTOGRAPHY**

- A site fee is charged for commercial photography on the property and is based on the number of participants. Fee includes gate admission for clients ages 16 and up.

1-4 clients	\$75
5-20 clients	\$250
21-30 clients	\$350
31+ clients	Negotiated Fee
- Annual photographer permit includes entrance for the photographer and up to 15 adults per session. Permit is \$400 for one year. Renewals are \$300.
- The reservation desk needs to be notified by noon the day prior to the photo session, otherwise the session is subject to a \$25 processing fee.
- The Arboretum does not endorse products or services.
- Photographs that imply endorsements are prohibited.

### **ETIQUETTE FOR ALL PHOTOGRAPHERS**

- While shooting photographers cannot block off any area.
- All persons and equipment must stay on pathways.
- Photographers and participants should encourage visitors to walk by between poses.
- No one is allowed to walk, stand or place tripods in planted areas or bare soil. Planted areas include fields, plant beds or grass that is not mowed, wood chipped or paved.
- No plants shall be tied up or modified in any manner with pins, tape, twine, etc. Do not move or change position of potted plants or remove any signs or labels from planted areas.
- Anyone not in compliance will be escorted from the grounds. There will be no exceptions.

### **PERMISSION FOR ALL PHOTOGRAPHERS**

- All professional photographers require permission at the gate, information desk or reservations office to take photographs on site.
- Lighting equipment which requires cords and external power sources or outside props such as drop cloths, panels, etc. cannot be used without prior permission.

**Only three daily photographer permits will be scheduled on one day.** Please call ahead, 612-301-7601, to make arrangements. The daily photographer permit must be completed by noon the business day before the photo session.

