

Guidelines for Photography on Museum Grounds

The George Eastman Museum is a National Historic Landmark. While photography is allowed both inside the museum and on museum grounds, it is imperative that all who participate in photography abide by guidelines established to protect the fragile nature of the landscape and the historical significance of the property.

Before taking photographs on museum grounds, all professional photographers must stop at the museum's Security desk (inside the Staff & Appointment Entrance located on the west side of the mansion) to sign a release form and acknowledge receipt of the following guidelines.

Museum visitors are also encouraged to take informal photographs, but the following guidelines apply to all who use the museum grounds for photography.

The following *items* are strictly PROHIBITED:

- lights or light reflectors on tripods or stands
- wardrobe racks and garment bags
- props

The following *activities* are strictly PROHIBITED:

- wardrobe changes
- moving planters, pots, or benches
- stepping into garden beds or over plant material
- removing or picking plant material
- climbing, leaning, sitting, or standing on historic structures
- climbing trees
- posing in roadways or other vehicle thoroughfares

If photographers or subjects of photography do not abide by the aforementioned guidelines, they will be asked to leave museum property.

The museum assumes no responsibility for activities or risks undertaken by photographers or subjects of photography while on the museum grounds.

As a nonprofit organization, the George Eastman Museum relies on financial support contributed by our members and others in the community to maintain the beauty of the gardens and historic structures. In exchange for using museum grounds, photographers are strongly encouraged to become museum members.

**For more information to
become a museum member,
visit eastman.org**

Arrangements for Formal Photography Inside the Museum or on Museum Grounds

To make arrangements for formal wedding or prom photography inside the museum or on museum grounds, please contact Allen Buell, Director of Special Events, (585) 271-3361 ext. 222 or abuell@eastman.org. Fees apply.

To make arrangements for formal photography of any other type inside the museum, please contact Kathy Connor, George Eastman Legacy Curator, (585) 271-3361 ext. 242 or kconnor@eastman.org. Fees apply.