

Elachee Nature Science Center
is located within the 1,500 acre
Chicopee Woods Nature Preserve.

Elachee Nature Science Center is a public education facility. When not being used for programs, our facilities are available for rent. Our primary mission is environmental education with school children and families. The preserve is open to the public daily from 8am-dusk. Events not permitted for rentals include, but are not limited to, proms, teen dances or birthday parties, fundraising events, concerts, ticketed events, or political events.

HOURS

Rental tours are by appointment only Monday-Friday.

You may visit the grounds unaccompanied during the daily park hours of 8 am until dusk.

The **Museum Center** has seasonal hours. Please check the website www.elachee.org for current hours of operation.

Hiking Trails are open from 8 am until dusk daily and are free to the public. Donations are welcome.

DIRECTIONS

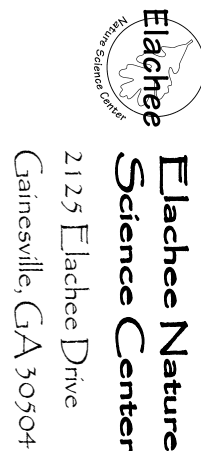
Elachee is located just south of Gainesville, GA and 17 minutes north of the Mall of Georgia.

Take I-985 to Exit 16, Oakwood.

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Mission Statement

Elachee Nature Science Center, a private, non-profit environmental education center, 1) provides interactive experiences in the Chicopee Woods Nature Preserve and elsewhere that enable students to understand that the earth and all its inhabitants are part of a complex and interdependent system; and 2) works to protect the natural resources of the Chicopee Woods watershed.



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Facility Rentals



Join nature's harmony of light, trees, and breezes
as you celebrate your special day.

Elachee offers affordable charm and
atmosphere for your outdoor or indoor wedding.

Weddings, receptions, rehearsal dinners, bridal showers,
business retreats, corporate functions, and more.

People choose Elachee Nature Science Center

as their event location for these reasons:

- * The location offers a magnificent 1,500-acre protected nature preserve with shady woodland trails, beautiful wildflowers, native plants, and the trill of birdsong in the air.
- * The charm of the natural area is the focus at Elachee, so elaborate decorations aren't necessary. Our rental areas look their best with simple decorations.
- * Choice of a caterer or your family to reheat food for your event.
- * The designs of our rental areas are unique, allowing flexibility to create how your event will be set up.
- * Easy access to I-985 and I-85, just 17 minutes from the Mall of Georgia, and close to accommodations in downtown Gainesville, Oakwood and neighboring Gwinnett County.

Abbreviated Guidelines

Elachee Rental includes/permits:

- * 8 hours of rental time including setup, event and clean-up. Additional hours can be added at a rate of \$50 per hour.
- * Rectangular tables and folding chairs as stated in guidelines
- * Use of a catering kitchen (except Chicopee Lake site)
- * Choice of caterer
- * Setup and take down of tables and chairs
- * Photo access to entire preserve
- * Tossing of birdseed, flower petals, bubbles at circular drive

Renter Responsibilities/Restrictions:

- * Table coverings/decorations, tableware, food, floral materials, additional furniture, ice and ice storage
- * No food preparation in kitchens (in accordance with Health Department Regulations)
- * No smoking inside and strongly discouraged outside
- * No balloons, confetti, or tiki torches, luminaries or other incendiary devices (candles must be enclosed in glass)
- * All renters, caterers, and guests must be off the premises by the contracted time or no later than 12 midnight.
- * Security staffing is required for all events.
- * Sorry - NO proms, teen parties, concerts, fundraisers, ticketed or political events

Description of Spaces

Patio/Outdoor Balcony.

300-350 people.

26 - 6' rectangular tables, 3 - 8' rectangular tables, 150 brown folding chairs.

\$1300 + \$400 refundable damage deposit, + security staff fees.

Our most popular spot and largest area for weddings, receptions, and larger corporate parties. The beautiful setting includes a rock wall of native stone overlooking the woods, the sound of a rushing stream nearby, and a lovely dry stream bed with large boulders and picturesque bridge creating an enchanting spot for photos. Rental of this space includes the use of adjacent catering kitchen, classroom, upper balconies, plus use of a separate room for bridal party dressing. Handicapped accessible.

Education Hall & Pavilion.

50-150 people.

20 - 6' rectangular tables, 110 black folding chairs.

\$850 + \$400 refundable damage deposit + security staff fees.

The Education Hall is a beautifully constructed meeting space with large open feeling, covered deck overlooking the woods, wildlife artwork, and total climate control. Adjacent and connected via a covered wooden walkway, is the Pavilion, a covered, open air structure with unique architecture and a view of the woods with ceiling fans, lighting, and electricity. Used in combination, the Education Hall and Pavilion make a wonderful location for business meetings, training events, rehearsal dinners, anniversary parties, and smaller weddings. Includes use of large catering kitchen, deck, and entrance plaza. Handicapped accessible.

Education Hall.

60-100 people.

20 - 6' rectangular tables, 110 black folding chairs.

\$500 or \$150 per hour, + \$300 refundable damage deposit, + security staff fees.

See description above.

Pavilion.

45-60 people.

20 - 6' rectangular tables, 110 black folding chairs.

\$375 or \$100 per hour, plus \$300 refundable damage deposit + security staff fees.

See description above.

Description of Spaces (cont)

Open Air Classroom.

200-325 people.

20 - 6' rectangular tables, 110 black folding chairs.

\$750 + \$300 refundable damage deposit + security staff fees.

A unique combination of outdoor yet covered space, this large open area looks out into the woods as you descend the steps. Ceiling fans, a painted nature mural on the walls, and a pleasant rock garden provide great atmosphere. A perfect site for a corporate party, anniversary, or wedding reception. Includes use of upstairs catering kitchen. Handicapped accessible.

Classroom.

60-75 people.

26 - 6' rectangular tables, 150 brown folding chairs.

\$75 per hour + \$150 refundable damage deposit, + security staff fees.

Just off the patio area, a space to conduct a smaller meeting, training session or smaller family parties. Your guests can enjoy the ambiance of the patio and surrounding woods before your event. Includes adjacent catering kitchen. Handicapped accessible.

Bruner Resource Room.

15-30 people.

Tables and chairs as needed.

\$50 per hour.

Located in the main museum building, this space has access to the large balcony that overlooks the wooded nature preserve. A great space for smaller meetings or training sessions. Handicapped accessible.

Chicopee Lake Pavilion/Boardwalk.

150 people.

Tables and chairs.

\$650 or based on event, plus \$300 refundable damage deposit and security staffing fee.

Located on Calvary Church Road, this 2,100-square foot wooden boardwalk is used for wedding ceremonies and the open air pavilion with power and ceiling fans makes a great location for receptions, rehearsal dinners, anniversary parties and more. Public access area, restrooms available, no kitchen facilities.