Boston Public Library

Private Event Policy

Operations Policy

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POLICY

The Board of Trustees of the Public Library of the City of Boston, or its designee, approves all event usage of the Boston Public Library. The Library may determine the number of events to be operated simultaneously, and does not guarantee sole use of the Central Library. Library programs and events take precedence over external group events.

Political activity and campaign fundraising are not permitted.

All organizations or groups shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Boston Public Library and the City of Boston, its officers, agents and employees from and against any and all claims, suits, actions of any kind, arising and resulting in and accruing from any negligent act, omission or error of the organization or group resulting in or relating to personal injuries, property damage, or any other claim arising from the organization/group's event or use of the Library's event spaces.

The Board of Trustees of the Public Library of the City of Boston delegates authority to the Library President or designee over private event procedures and private event pricing.

The Library shall not discriminate on the basis of the political or religious beliefs of applicant groups, or on any other constitutionally or statutorily-prohibited basis.

Companion Documents: Boston Public Library, Private Event Procedures

Boston Public Library, Private Events Pricing Guide