



or early 1930's. The WPA had enlarged a ravine with stone steps and walls leading 30 feet down to the river's edge.

One of the garden's popular features includes a stone pump house that pushes water along artificial rapids into a series of reflecting pools. The stone walls have seating niches built into them, as well as stone planters to display annuals. The garden also has a stone bridge in the upper section and a smaller bridge at the river's edge.

In 2004, with donations from the Olsen Family, an 18 foot octagonal shaped gazebo was built in close proximity to the rock garden. The gazebo style, aptly named "Majestic", has certainly added a majestic quality to those seeking a garden style wedding location.

WEDDING GARDENS

Wedding Gardens may be reserved for your wedding ceremony and are available in 2-hour blocks of time with half an hour added to each reservation to avoid any overlap. Reservations for the current calendar year may be done at any time. In addition, we are able to reserve dates as far out as one (1) year from the date you call. There are fees associated with garden reservations. Municipal Code 50-2 requires persons who are interested in using a park for a particular purpose (like a wedding), make application for a permit. The permit essentially gives permission to hold your wedding ceremony on park premises. Permit fees for the various gardens are included in this brochure. As a note, receptions are not allowed in any wedding garden in order to keep them beautiful and more enjoyable for all. To check availability or a specific date, please contact the Park Office by phone, email or fax.

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Battell Rock Garden & Gazebo 301 W. Mishawaka Ave.

Located in the heart of Battell Park (est. 1880), this terraced rock garden was built by the Works Progress Administration (WPA) in the late 1920's

Kate's Garden & Gazebo 1122 Lincolnway West

Established in 1995, this garden is dedicated in memory of long-time community leader, Catherine "Kate" Kosanovich. Mrs. Kosanovich had a deep and abiding love for all kinds of flowers. This park features thousands of perennial and annual plants, a brick pathway, the "Educators" sculpture by sculptor Tuck Langland, and a 12 foot hexagon-shaped natural cedar wood gazebo. The St. Joseph Valley Master Gardener's Association has adopted Kate's Garden and continues to beautify this location for all to enjoy.

Beutter Park & Band Stage 400 N. Spring St.

Dedicated in May, 2005, this wedding garden is named after former Mayor, Robert C. Beutter. It is popular for both outdoor concerts sponsored by the Parks Department, as well as weddings. The garden is surrounded by water and boasts hundreds of perennials, flower beds, and ornamental grasses.

Shiojiri Garden & Teahouse Corner of Mishawaka Ave. & Niles Ave.

Dedicated in August of 1987, this garden symbolizes the sister-city relationship between Mishawaka, Indiana, and Shiojiri City, Nagano Prefecture, Japan. Designed by Shoji Kanaoka, Japanese Landscape Architect at Epcot Center, Disney World, Flor-

ida, it is Chisen-Kaiyushiki "A Strolling Garden" in which one is enticed from one point to the next by the constant unfolding of new scenes.

The purpose of a Japanese Garden is to present natural forms and to create a tranquil beauty that leads the visitor from everyday life to a calm, serene, reflective communion with nature. It is one of the few Japanese Style Gardens in Indiana.

Shiojiri Niwa contains more than 20 different varieties of large plant material, over two hundred large boulders, a statue and a teahouse pavilion. It blooms in the spring, typically in late April until mid-May, depending on the weather.

DISCLAIMERS

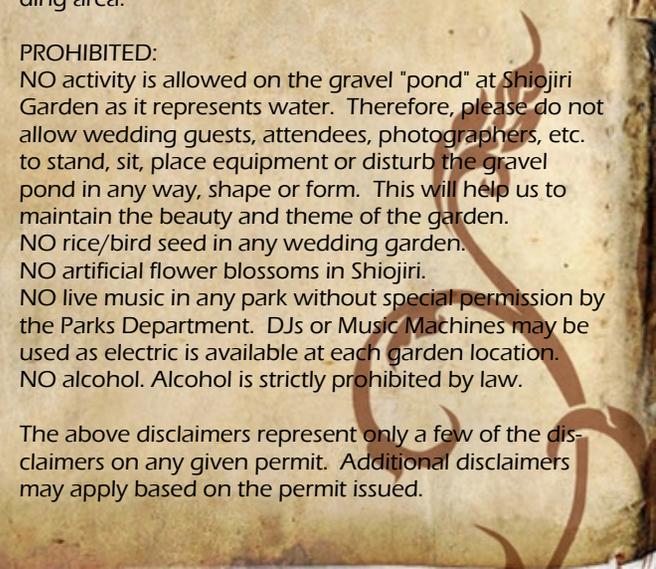
CONDITIONS: Although wedding gardens and nearby bathrooms are cleaned regularly, we cannot guarantee their condition when you arrive. You may want to consider putting someone in charge of maintenance to pick up prior to and following your reserved time. Please be considerate of the next user and leave it clean.

CAPACITY/SEATING: An exact capacity has not been determined at any wedding garden. Customers are encouraged to review area and determine best estimate. Chairs are allowed in the grass or walk areas at any wedding garden with the exception of Shiojiri. No more than 12 chairs are allowed at Shiojiri Garden for special needs and honored guests. The Parks Department does not provide, nor will it assist in set up, tear-down or transportation of chairs, nor will it set-up, arrange, re-arrange or aid in any alterations at the wedding area.

PROHIBITED:

NO activity is allowed on the gravel "pond" at Shiojiri Garden as it represents water. Therefore, please do not allow wedding guests, attendees, photographers, etc. to stand, sit, place equipment or disturb the gravel pond in any way, shape or form. This will help us to maintain the beauty and theme of the garden.
NO rice/bird seed in any wedding garden.
NO artificial flower blossoms in Shiojiri.
NO live music in any park without special permission by the Parks Department. DJs or Music Machines may be used as electric is available at each garden location.
NO alcohol. Alcohol is strictly prohibited by law.

The above disclaimers represent only a few of the disclaimers on any given permit. Additional disclaimers may apply based on the permit issued.



Wedding Gardens



Permit Fees

Wedding Garden

	<u>Resident</u>	<u>Non-Resident</u>
Shiojiri Niwa	\$100.00	\$150.00
Kate's Garden	\$50.00	\$75.00
Battell Rock Garden/Gazebo	\$100.00	\$150.00
Beutter Park	\$200.00	\$250.00

Booking and pricing of the above wedding garden locations are based on a 2-hour time slot. All activity must begin and conclude within the reserved 2-hour time. Pricing may change at any time and without prior notice.

For additional information, visit our website at:

www.mishawaka.in.gov/parksandrecreation

REFUND POLICY FOR WEDDING GARDENS:

A refund will be granted only if the function is canceled **60 days** prior to the scheduled date at any **wedding garden**.

Refunds will be paid by check – payable to the name listed on the rental receipt. An original receipt must be presented to the Parks Department in order to issue a refund.

NO REFUND will be given due to **inclement weather**.

Refunds take approximately 4-6 weeks.

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