

Photography/Videography Requirements

All fees paid will support furthering our mission to *curate, interpret, and preserve the cultural heritage of one of New England's finest garden estates for the enjoyment and education of the public.*

Photography and videography teams and their clients are expected to conduct themselves in a manner that protects this historic property, maintains guest safety, and ensures a positive experience for all.

Failure to comply with Blithewold's terms and conditions may result in a fine and/or revocation of the privilege of photographing and/or videoing in the future. Blithewold reserves the right to change any terms without notice.

Scheduling

- All photo/video sessions are subject to availability
- Reservations requested for non-operational hours and weekends are subject to additional fees (See *A La Carte* section below)
- Sessions scheduled with less than 14 business days' notice are subject to an additional fee
- In the event of inclement weather, you may reschedule the session at no extra cost
- Reservations must be made by submitting an inquiry through this link: <https://tr.ee/photo-video>

Terms & Conditions

All photographers, videographers, and associated parties must agree to the following:

- All photographers/videographers are required to check in at the Welcome Center during regular open hours
- Identification is required
 - Member photographers must wear the Blithewold Photographer's Membership badge during the entire photo shoot
 - Non-member photographers must be able to produce reservation confirmation
- All photo/video sessions are limited to the Grounds ONLY (see *A La Carte Opportunities* for more information about utilizing the Manor House or other indoor spaces.)
- Stay on paths and grass only. Photographers/videographers, associates, subjects, and/or equipment cannot enter or be placed in the interior of garden beds or meadows, or utilize rock walls or other historic structures without prior permission AND direct staff supervision

- Areas where maintenance or operational activities are in progress must be avoided
- Close all gates behind you, including the Rose Garden and Vegetable Garden
- No pets allowed
- No drones allowed
- No open flame or fireworks allowed
- Props must be pre-approved
- No confetti, glitter, balloons or other environmentally harmful items
- Trees cannot be climbed
- Do not pick or break flowers, trees, or other plants
- Do not interfere with or disrupt wildlife
- Plant labels, signage, stakes, and containers cannot be moved
- Seating structures cannot be moved
- Barriers and stanchions cannot be moved
- Clean up any debris or trash you create

Blithewold reserves the right to refuse unscheduled photo sessions. In the event of an unscheduled arrival:

- ✓ Members will be fined
- ✓ Non-members will be turned away OR asked to pay the session fee immediately

Fees & Payment

Type of session	Time allotment	Fee
Engagement or couple*	60 minutes	\$150
Family or group	90 minutes	\$225
Individual portrait	60 minutes	\$150
Wedding day	90 minutes	\$500

* There is no charge for engagement shoots for couples being married at Blithewold

A la Carte Opportunities

Blithewold Manor House as well as the Gardens, and Arboretum spaces are available for staged, styled, catalog, and other marketing and professional shoots. Please let us know if this applies to you.

In addition to standard fees, the following options may be added:

- Shooting during non-operating hours are subject to an additional \$75 per session. (Blithewold hours of operation vary. Visit <https://www.blithewold.org/hours> for more information.)
- Shooting on Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays are subject to an additional fee of \$50

Security Deposit

All photographers/videographers will make a \$50 security deposit in addition to standard reservation fees. The deposit will be held for 14 days after the shoot and refunded using the same payment form, provided that all terms and conditions have been met. Security deposits may be rolled over to future reservations if desired.

Reservations

Members: Reservations are confirmed via direct email.

Non-members: Reservations are confirmed once we receive full payment and a signed contract.

You will be asked to produce the confirmation email when you are on site.

Photographer Membership

Photographers are invited to join Blithewold as a member. Annual membership is \$600.

Benefits include:

- Unlimited reservations, including weekends
- Priority referral for general inquiries
- Priority social media collaboration and reposting
- First access to opportunities to shoot for Blithewold (collections, staff headshots, gardens, special events, etc.)
- Includes one individual membership at Blithewold (see membership benefits)

A photographer membership does not include wedding photography.

Contact Ali Montagnon to learn more: 401-253-2707 x45, photography@blithewold.org