HISTORY

San Clemente is one of the first master-planned cities in California. Co-founder Ole Hanson came to the site to create his ideal community, a “Spanish Village by the Sea.”

Casa Romantica was built in 1927 as Hanson’s family home. The seven-bedroom, seven-bath house was designed by Carl Lindbom, who also designed La Casa Pacifica (also known as the ‘Western White House’). The Casa represented Hanson’s expression of the California dream. It set the tone for the majority of the other homes and businesses built within his development plan.

Over the years, the home passed through several owners, including the family of Hollywood entertainer and orchestra leader Fred Waring.

The San Clemente Redevelopment Agency purchased the property in 1989. In 1991, it was listed on the National Registry of Historic Places. The City of San Clemente, its Redevelopment Agency, and the Casa Romantica Founding Board elected to completely renovate the Casa for use as a cultural center. In early 2003, Casa Romantica Cultural Center and Gardens opened to the public as a 501(c)3 nonprofit, and has become a premier southern California cultural center as well as a cherished venue for weddings and other private events.

WELCOME TO CASA ROMANTICA CULTURAL CENTER AND GARDENS

Thank you for considering Casa Romantica Cultural Center and Gardens as the destination for your special event. We look forward to the opportunity of working with you to make your wedding or private event an unforgettable occasion.

Casa Romantica Cultural Center and Gardens is southern California’s most exquisite bluff-top estate. With its spectacular views of the beautiful Pacific Ocean and its stunning architecture, Casa Romantica provides an incomparable venue for weddings and private gatherings. Here, you and your guests can enjoy every moment of your special occasion in the privacy and timeless beauty of our exquisite property.
Surrounded by beautiful Spanish archways and lush greenery, our courtyard is the ideal place to spend your evening dining under the stars. Eat, drink, and be merry while our outdoor fireplace keeps your guests warm and cozy. Worried about weather? The courtyard can also be beautifully tented to ensure your event is perfect – rain or shine.

"Casa Romantica will take your breath away. It was the only venue my fiancé and I looked at and that was all we needed. The grounds are spectacular and the view is unlike anything else. Our guests could not stop raving about how wonderful the venue was from the ceremony out on the terrace to the dinner in the courtyard."

- Lauren, from a WeddingWire.com review
 MAIN SALON

Adorned with a sparkling chandelier, the Main Salon is a beautiful space for indoor dining, dancing, and desserts. Original hardwood flooring, hand painted tiles, and a wood-burning fireplace add to the perfect balance of elegance and comfort. The walls are decorated with historical photographs of Casa Romantica and the city of San Clemente. The space is large enough for your favorite band, DJ, photo booth, or other evening activities.

“We could not be happier with the venue we chose. The weather was gorgeous, but even if it had been pouring rain, the site is stunning in its architecture and beauty. I will never forget our first dance, saying our vows, or dancing the night away inside the Casa’s Spanish-style salon.”

- Brittany, from a BorrowedAndBlue.com review
Overlooking the San Clemente Pier, the Ocean Terrace is the perfect backdrop for your event. Guests can gaze upon the gleaming turquoise surf and may even catch a glimpse of dolphins passing by the pier. On clear days, Catalina appears on the horizon, and the evenings are alight with joyful bonfires up and down the coastline. Enjoy the ocean breeze and gorgeous sunset with your family and friends for a wedding or any special event.

“The views and the architecture are simply unparalleled – our guests couldn’t stop raving about it, especially those not from the area. We decided last minute to do the cake cutting and the first dances outside on the terrace at sunset – unbelievably gorgeous!”

- Tracy, from a TheKnot.com review
Surrounded by colorful flowers and native plants, the Story Circle is the perfect place for a small, intimate ceremony. The built-in benches provide seating for up to twenty people, and the views of the ocean are sure to take your breath away.

“We were married overlooking the ocean and afterwards we were blessed with the most amazing sunset I have ever seen – it made for absolutely beautiful pictures! I had the most beautiful wedding day & could not have found a more beautiful place to have it!”

- Arin, from a WomanGettingMarried.com review
Are there rooms available to get ready in, and how early can the wedding party arrive?
Yes! There are two dressing rooms. Both rooms have a private restroom, vanity area, and sitting areas, and are fully air-conditioned. The wedding party may arrive at 2:00 P.M.

What are the parking accommodations?
For events that exceed fifty (50) guests, valet service is required. Our valet will strategically park vehicles in the Casa parking lot with overflow in a nearby designated City-owned parking lot.

Do I need a wedding coordinator?
Yes. We require a licensed and insured event coordinator from our Exclusive Vendor List with a minimum of “day-of coordination” to handle all of the details on the day of your wedding so that you can relax and enjoy your special day!

Do I need special event insurance?
All rental users of events with fifty (50) or more persons require an insurance rider provided to Casa Romantica with a minimum $2,000,000.00 in liability coverage, naming Casa Romantica Cultural Center and Gardens and the City of San Clemente as co-insured parties. A copy of this insurance rider must be provided to CRCC&G with final payment.

How do I hold a wedding date?
You can hold a wedding date for up to two weeks by completing a Rental Hold Request Form and submitting it to the event department. If another prospective client would like to contract and place a deposit on your date, you will have the right of first refusal and forty-eight (48) hours to make the decision to book or forfeit the date.

I have toured the Casa and have a hold on my wedding date, but I am not sure what to do now or how to get started in my planning process.
Reach out to our wedding planners and our catering companies to obtain bids and to gain a general understanding of the kind of help you need to plan your special day, what you wish to accomplish for your event, and what will work within your budget. We look forward to working with you!
SITE RENTAL RATES

May through October
(150 Max Capacity)
Saturdays $8,600
Fridays & Sundays $7,350

November through April
(150 Max Capacity)
Saturdays $7,600
Fridays & Sundays $6,350

The site fee includes a $1,000 President’s Circle Membership, exclusive and private use of the venue in its entirety, cleaning fees, and a Casa Site Supervisor to oversee the facility during the event.

Our approved vendor list is outlined on the following two pages. Catering, equipment rentals, and valet service are contracted between the client and approved vendor separate from the Casa Romantica Cultural Center and Gardens Facility Use Agreement.

Please inquire for meeting space and corporate event pricing. Prices and policies are subject to change.

SOUND SYSTEM

Casa Romantica’s sound system is ideal for clients providing their own music selection through an iPad/other compatible device.

Our sound system includes the following:
- 1 compact digital audio mixer
- 2 digital wireless microphones
- 4 wireless speakers
- 2 wired speakers
- All necessary cables and connectors for “plug and play” music
- Set-up and breakdown by Casa Romantica staff

Cost: $500 for events up to 6 hours.

Casa Romantica requires a refundable $2,000 Audio Equipment Damage Deposit. Rental of the sound system is separate from site rental costs.

CONTACT

Casa Romantica Cultural Center and Gardens • 415 Avenida Granada, San Clemente, CA 92672

For more information on rentals, visit www.CasaRomanticaWeddings.com

To contact Casa Romantica Cultural Center and Gardens Events Office directly, call (949) 498-2139, or email Events@CasaRomantica.org

For information about hours, locations, programs, services, and exhibitions at Casa Romantica Cultural Center and Gardens, visit www.CasaRomantica.org.

DIRECTIONS

From the North
I-5 (San Diego) South
Exit AVE. PALIZADA to San Clemente
Turn RIGHT onto E. AVE. PALIZADA
Turn LEFT on EL CAMINO REAL
Turn RIGHT on AVE. DEL MAR
Proceed down toward the ocean
Turn RIGHT on AVE. GRANADA
Casa Romantica is on the left at 415 AVE. GRANADA

From the South
I-5 (San Diego) North
Exit AVE. PRESIDIO to downtown San Clemente
Turn LEFT under the fwy. onto AVE. PRESIDIO
Turn RIGHT on EL CAMINO REAL
Turn LEFT on AVE. DEL MAR
Proceed down toward the ocean
Turn RIGHT on AVENIDA GRANADA
Casa Romantica is on the left at 415 AVE. GRANADA
EXCLUSIVE VENDORS

Event Planners, Caterers, Florists, Event Rentals, and Valet must be used on our list of exclusive vendors.

PREFERRED VENDORS

Casa Romantica Cultural Center and Gardens strongly encourages utilization of the Preferred Vendors for your upcoming event. Superior in their field, these industry experts have been hand-selected to complement and enhance your occasion.

FULL LIST AVAILABLE ON CASAROMANTICA.ORG/APPROVED-VENDORS

The Gift Shop at Casa Romantica
Your first stop for Party Favors, Bridal Party Gifts, and Decor!

AS SEEN ON

Tile Coasters  Succulents  Wine Glasses
We seek to provide you with a premium floral experience, using our design expertise to infuse the Casa with an inviting and artful touch unique to your event.

Contact us for your free consultation!

(949) 391-3606

www.thebloomoftime.com
hello@thebloomoftime.com

VOX DJs is a premiere vendor for Casa Romantica and will keep you and your guests dancing the night flowing effortlessly, and give you the opportunity to sit back and enjoy your big day. Your DJ will be custom selected to fit your needs and will be the life of the party!

VOX DJs at 310.372.2222 or email at info@voxdjs.com for more information because it’s going to be great!
We met Cori at a bridal show and immediately hit it off. I can say fully that our wedding would not be as spectacular as it was without her. Thank you Cori from the bottom of our hearts.

On the day of the wedding, it was like a well-oiled machine. Everything was seamless and perfect. My husband and I actually felt that we got to enjoy the moment and the time there. It was beyond perfect, and we can't thank Cori enough for making this special memory beautiful for us.

- Max & Julia
Enjoy the great food and service we’re known for!
sundriedtomato.com/catering
949.661.1299

Our separate catering company has been satisfying clientele for nearly 30 years.
Interested in booking Casa Romantica for your special day?

Contact us: (949) 498-2139 or events@casaromantica.org

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