

COMMERCIAL PHOTOGRAPHY & FILMING

HISTORIC
NEW ENGLAND

at Historic New England Properties

To ensure all visitors have a great experience and to help us protect our historic buildings, collections, and landscapes, we kindly ask that you follow our photography guidelines. Our properties are historic sites open for house and garden tours, public programs, and special events. Occasionally, we also work with photographers for commercial shoots or to capture images for Historic New England's own promotions. Thank you for your cooperation and support in preserving these treasured places!



Personal & Recreational Photography

Personal photography is for candid, non-commercial images with a non-paid photographer. Costumes, props, tripods, and large bags are prohibited. Large group photos require approval. Outdoor photography is allowed during regular hours, but guests must stay on paths and avoid handling plants or sculptures. Interior photography is permitted on guided tours. Video and selfie sticks are not allowed. Historic New England may revoke photography privileges at any time.



Professional & Commercial Photography

Any session with a paid photographer or professional-style shoot requires advance approval, a signed contract, and fees. Wedding and engagement shoots are only allowed if booked through a function rental. No nudity, props in plant beds, or handling of outdoor sculptures is permitted. All commercial shoots must be scheduled through the marketing office at Marketing@HistoricNewEngland.org and are not guaranteed.



Media Photography

News media photography must be scheduled through the marketing office at Marketing@HistoricNewEngland.org.



Drone Photography

Drones are prohibited unless used for Historic New England-approved purposes like site assessments, documentation, or promotional content.



Use of Historic New England Images

Please contact our Library and Archives team for more information at Archives@HistoricNewEngland.org or visit our Photo Permissions page.



Historic New England's Use of Photography

Historic New England may photograph or film events and programs. Attendance implies consent for image use in publications and media without compensation. If you do not wish to be photographed, notify the photographer on-site.



Authorization & Compliance

All photography and filming requests are reviewed case by case. Historic New England reserves the right to deny or revoke photography privileges. Staff may enforce rules and issue removal for non-compliance. Follow all verbal instructions while on-site.

BOOKING

For more information or additional questions please contact Marketing@HistoricNewEngland.org

Locations & Restrictions

Photography is limited to outdoor areas only; no commercial photography is permitted indoors..

All Historic New England properties are available for photography and filming locations. Advance notice is required.

Fees

Professional/ Commercial Photography

\$75 per hour for Historic New England members.

\$100 per hour for non-members.

Small Studio / Student Film Shoot

\$200 per hour for Historic New England members.

\$275 per hour for non-members.

Large Studio Film Shoot

Fees available upon request.

Reservations & Important Information

Time Slots

One-hour slots available between 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. (10:00 – 11:00 a.m. as the earliest option and 4:00 – 5:00 p.m. as the latest option).

Half-day and full-day slots are available upon request and incur a higher fee than the hourly rate posted.

Advance Notice

Reservations must be made at least three weeks in advance.

Dates cannot be confirmed more than three months in advance.

Booking Process

All requests must be submitted to Marketing@HistoricNewEngland.org.

No payments should be sent with the initial inquiry.

On-Site Rules

Photographers cannot block entrances or exits to avoid interfering with daily tour operations.