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## Brides Say “Yes!” to Barrington’s White House

THE STAGE WAS SET. Excitement was in the air. The scent of delectable hors d’oeuvres wafted through the rooms. Tablescapes showed the latest linens and china. Fragrant flowers adorned the tables and the steps of the broad, quarter-turn oak staircase. Chairs were lined up before a beautiful ceremony backdrop of cascading vines and flowers. Barrington’s White House was ready for a wedding.

The front doors were opened on January 12, 2019, with 170 guests who were greeted with a glass of Champagne for the first Bridal Open House at Barrington’s White House—a chance for couples to experience the mansion all dressed up to showcase possibilities for their big day.

The brides, grooms, friends, and family members explored the mansion’s three floors, with tables set up for a cocktail reception, ceremony, and sit-down dinner. Many of the event’s vendor partners shared samples of their

artistry—including caterers, florists, hair and make-up artists, and photographers. Guests viewed displays of the latest in jewelry, table linens, and glassware. All while sipping Champagne and relishing delicious sweets and savories.

### A STAR VENUE

But star of the Bridal Open House was the mansion. Its elegance, charm, and stunning architectural beauty were on display, creating a wonderland for brides to imagine themselves in for their wedding or special event.

The mansion is “absolutely gorgeous” said one couple, who liked seeing the space all set up so they could visualize what it will be like for their wedding reception. Attendees enjoyed seeing the unique and special features and private places.



### PARLOR ROOMS OF THE FIRST FLOOR

Guests were greeted in the grand entry, showcasing a spectacular Waterford chandelier and a graceful staircase with artisan-designed leaded glass—a dramatic spot for that special bride's photo. Visitors flowed through the connected rooms set for a cocktail party or welcome reception.

### THIRD FLOOR BALLROOM

Upstairs, the Golden Ballroom awed guests with its dramatic 16-foot arched ceilings and elegant décor. The east wall was set for a ceremony with a floral and vine backdrop and Chivari chairs with vases of live flowers. Tables decorated with unique place settings, linens, and standing flower vases showed how brides can personalize the space with just a few elegant details to make it their own.

### PRIVATE SPACIOUS BRIDAL SUITE

Brides viewed the gorgeously appointed second-floor Bridal Suite, with a multi-stationed make-up and hair counter and three private bathrooms—a relaxing haven for the bride and her “besties” to get ready in on the big day.

### STATELY GROOM'S ROOM

It wasn't all about the brides! The mansion's study, situated on the first floor, offers a private space for the groom and his party to await the start of the day's events.

Staff ambassadors were on hand to answer questions about the home's history and about hosting an event at the mansion, whether a wedding ceremony and reception, rehearsal dinner, welcome party, or bridal shower.


Explore your options at Barrington's White House by scheduling a private tour with Jennifer Salvatore, Hospitality Manager, at 224-512-4115 or [jsalvatore@barrington-il.gov](mailto:jsalvatore@barrington-il.gov) or visit: [www.BarringtonsWhiteHouse.com](http://www.BarringtonsWhiteHouse.com). 



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*Barrington's White House is perfect for a ceremony and reception.*



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*The Groom's Room gives the guys a private place to get ready.*



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*With just a few personal touches, couples can make the mansion their own.*