PORTLAND PARKS & RECREATION
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PHOTO PASS – CONDITIONS OF USE

Commercial photography PHOTO PASS permits are issued to ONE individual for the express purpose of Still Portrait Photography or Videography in any Portland Parks and Recreation (PP&R) facility.

The PHOTO PASS permit is intended for shooting pictures or video of a non-commercial Client by a Photographer or Videographer. With this Pass, the Photographer/Videographer is shooting pictures and or video of the client only. For example: A Photographer is contracted by a couple to take their wedding photos in a park following their church wedding. A Photographer is contracted by parents who want their family pictures taken in a park.

A PHOTO PASS permit does not allow third party commercial activity. For example: Advertising or marketing photo shoots where a company contracts with an outside photographer or uses their in house photographer to shoot advertising stills that will be used for sale or promotion of a product, advertising or marketing photo shoots where a company contracts with an outside photographer or uses their in house photographer to shoot models or talent. These are covered under the Special Use Film/Video/Still Photography permits policies and must be issued per occurrence and charged at current hourly rates.

The following are limitations and guidelines for use of the PHOTO PASS.

One PHOTO PASS per Photographer/Videographer.

A PHOTO PASS limits the number of participants in the shoot to 20. Groups of more than 20 require contact with the Park Supervisor to determine impact to other programmed activities. Except Director Park: Holder of a Photo Pass must contact the Park Coordinator in advance (minimum of 72 hrs notice) to schedule photo sessions. Call 503-823-8087 or email DirectorPark@PortlandOregon.gov with date, time, location in park, and group size.

A PHOTO PASS permit is nonrefundable.

A PHOTO PASS is issued for the calendar year. It may be prorated in half year increments.

The PHOTO PASS holder is subject to all provisions of Prohibited Conduct in City Code Title 20 Chapter 20.12 (available at http://www.portlandonline.com/auditor/index.cfm?c=28184).

A PHOTO PASS permit requires Insurance and an Additional Insured Endorsement that covers the full year.

The PHOTO PASS permit provides access to all outdoor park facilities that are not currently permitted for use.

The PHOTO PASS permit does not provide exclusive use of any facility or location.

The PHOTO PASS permit does not reserve park facilities or locations.

This PHOTO PASS permit does not take the place of or waive other permits or rental requirements. The holder of this PHOTO PASS permit must yield any reservable space, facility or location to any valid permit holder.

The PHOTO PASS does not provide access to Portland Parks & Recreation's lease-managed sites, including Crystal Springs Rhododendron Garden, Leach Botanical Garden, Pioneer Courthouse Square, PIR, any golf course, and Pittock Mansion. These locations require specific permits to access their sites for the purpose of commercial photography. (See Commercial Photography inside Pittock Mansion below.)

The PHOTO PASS does not authorize access to Community Centers or Pools. Permission to shoot in these facilities must first be gained from the supervisor of each specific facility.

The PHOTO PASS does not allow for any interference with prescheduled maintenance work in any PP&R facility, including, but not limited to, mowing, infrastructure repair, garden maintenance, pesticide application or tree maintenance.

Applying for a PHOTO PASS Permit
The applicant must provide the PP&R Customer Service Center with their name, business name and address, phone number, email address, and website (if applicable) so we may build them an account in CLASS. Then they are issued a YELLOW PHOTO PASS. No paper permit is required.

PHOTO PASS permits cost $150 per year. (The fee includes all Application/Processing and Usage fees). A 30% non-resident fee is applied to non City of Portland Residents or Businesses ($195). If the Business is located within the City of Portland it must have a mailing address. P.O. Boxes are not considered proof or residence. Tax receipts or utility bills may be used as proof of residence.

The PHOTO PASS permit must be visible at all times while in the park shooting for your business.

Vehicle Access. The PHOTO PASS is not a vehicle pass. No vehicles are allowed in the park without a Vehicle Access pass, purchased separately.

Licensing and Copyrights
A PHOTO PASS permit issued by PP&R provides the Permittee the rights to reproduce photos taken on park property.

Portland parks contain many pieces of public art that may be protected by copyright.

The Regional Arts and Culture Council (RACC) is responsible for 1,832 art objects in its permanent collection owned by the City of Portland and Multnomah County. Most of these objects were made by living artists and are covered by copyright protection. It is the policy of RACC to leave the copyright protection with the artist, reserving for itself a non-exclusive license to reproduce the object for standard collection purposes.

Any reproduction of an artwork with copyright protection is subject to federal copyright law. RACC maintains that it is the responsibility of the person or agency requesting the use of a reproduction to determine whether or not the object is protected, and if so, gain permission to create and/or use the reproduction.

In many cases the use of a reproduction can be considered fair use, meaning that the copyright is infringed, but the use is allowed. Considerations in determining fair use include the purpose or character of the use, the nature and character of the copyrighted work, the amount and substantiality of the portion of the work used, and the market effect on the original work. It is the responsibility of the person or agency creating/using the reproduction to make the determination of fair use.

Any questions about reproducing public art should be directed to Danielle Davis, Public Art Collections Registrar, at 503-823-5405.

The Permittee will be charged for any damages caused by their activities.

Commercial Photography inside Pittock Mansion
Commercial photography may be arranged before 10:30 AM or after 4:30 PM (Mansion operation hours). Please contact Pittock Mansion directly at 503-823-2623.

The rate for a Commercial photography session is $200 per hour for a two-hour minimum ($400 minimum charge and $200 per additional hour). PP&R requires a $200 non-refundable deposit, 30 days advance notice, proof of $1,000,000 liability insurance coverage for the security of the collection and the historic landmark, and a signed facility usage agreement.

Please note: because Pittock Mansion is a museum, subjects are not permitted behind ropes and cannot handle or touch the collection.