



## **Photography at Grace Cathedral**

General policy: Generally, photography or audio-visual recording on the grounds of Grace Cathedral that is not casual, of short duration and for personal use requires permission in advance. In particular, photography or audio-visual recording by paid photographers, for any commercial use, and for non-commercial but also non-personal use (e.g., for a student art project) requires permission.

If you are partnering with the cathedral on a public event, such as a concert or weekly yoga, please seek photography and audio-visual recording permission and assistance from the relevant cultural program manager or communications staff person.

The basic guidance for photography at the cathedral is:

- We ask that you respect the sacredness of our space, and avoid creating disrespectful imagery.
- No flash photography inside the cathedral.
- Be mindful of services that are going on and refrain from photographing people who are worshipping.
- Please don't disturb other visitors to the cathedral.
- In certain cases, the cathedral may assess a fee.

**Contact Jack Fagan, Director of Operations, by email at [jackf@gracecathedral.org](mailto:jackf@gracecathedral.org) to obtain permission.**

### Weddings

We welcome wedding couples who have been married elsewhere to take pictures on the grounds of the cathedral by seeking permission as described above. Under no circumstances may couples who are married elsewhere take wedding pictures inside the cathedral.

### Commercial Photography

When permission is sought for commercial photography our communications staff will discuss with you reproduction and copyright issues. We ask that you respect the sacredness of our space. For commercial photography the cathedral may assess a fee in certain circumstances.

### Photography for Personal Use

There is no limit to the number of photos an individual may take, nor to how many may be posted to online photo sharing services. However, photographs taken for the purpose of selling them as artistic photos, or for any other commercial purpose, require a permission from cathedral staff, as outlined above.

### Weekly Yoga

Many requests are received to photograph, film, or otherwise record or report on the weekly yoga class. Darren Main and cathedral communications staff cooperate on requests that end up being presented to Darren, rather than to cathedral staff, which is often the case, per the following guidance:

- Any requests to write about, film or photograph yoga must be made to Grace Cathedral communications staff, copying the yoga manager, before such permission is granted and any logistics are set up.
- Such requests should be made at least one week before the day when coverage would occur.
- Requests will be assessed on how they align with the mission and communications strategy of the cathedral. The cathedral has the option of stipulating that coverage will include cathedral or diocese clergy or staff.
- While the cathedral is generally eager to share information on programs and events that take place at the cathedral, we do not wish to over-saturate the media and public with information about our programs. We are also sensitive to excessive intrusion on the practice and privacy of the people who attend yoga in the cathedral, and the requirements of the yoga manager to be informed and not inconvenienced.