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PRESS RELEASE

AURORA INN OFFERS ENCHANTING LAKESIDE SETTING FOR WEDDINGS

AURORA, New York — With its enchanting lakeside setting, elegant new interior, fine food and dedication to satisfying a bridal couple's every whim, the Aurora Inn is expected to fast become a highly desirable location for weddings. Weddings up to 200 people are now being reserved at the historic inn, which reopened in June 2003 after a multimillion-dollar renovation.

Located on the eastern shore of Cayuga Lake in the heart of the Finger Lakes, the Federal-style 1833 brick building is wrapped in pristine white balconies and has sweeping lawns and beautiful gardens that roll down to the water.

The Inn's banquet room can accommodate up to 90 guests for a sit-down dinner and 125 for a cocktail reception. French doors extend the space out to a stone cocktail terrace with sweeping views of the lake. The Inn also offers lakeside lawn weddings for up to 200 guests under crisp white tents.

What sets the Aurora Inn apart from other venues in central New York and beyond is its willingness to tailor-make "dream weddings" for couples. "We're throwing out the cookie-cutter approach to hotel weddings," said Sue Edinger, general manager of the Inn. "No two weddings at the Aurora Inn should ever be alike."

"We'll work with the bride and groom to a customize a menu to their liking, whether it's something simple like grilled tenderloin with whipped potatoes or more exotic fare like fennel-crusting salmon," she noted. Buffets, food stations and seated tableside service are all options. A mainstay for hors d'oeuvres promises to be a sumptuous baby vegetable crudité table with artisanal cheeses and fresh herbs, the general manager added.

"We're flexible on other fronts, too," Ms. Edinger continued. "We'll take care of everything from the flowers to music if they want to make it easy on themselves, but they can also bring in their own florist and band."

Inn Ideal For Destination Weddings

An idyllic spot for "destination weddings," the Inn also offers 10 luxurious guest rooms and suites. Especially appealing is the Inn's proximity and close working relationship with numerous other venues for special events before and after the wedding. MacKenzie-Childs, the celebrated maker of hand-crafted tableware and home furnishings, is minutes from the Inn and its picturesque grounds and buildings offer a number of memorable options for private functions. A private bridal luncheon or tea, for example, can be held in the newly restored Victorian farmhouse at MacKenzie-Childs, while the men are playing golf nearby at Wells College.

When not attending a function, guests can have lunch on the deck at Dorie's, a charming luncheonette and restored soda fountain, or a casual dinner at the Fargo Bar & Grill or Pizzaurora, both directly across the street from the Inn. The village of Aurora, which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places, and the surrounding Finger Lakes region also offer visitors rich history, gorgeous scenery, dozens of vineyards and plenty else to see and do.

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