

Weddings
at the Ards' most
singular setting



Elegance and romance

With classical architecture modelled on the Greek Temple of Nemesis, Portico is the perfect venue for a romantic and elegant wedding. This beautifully restored former church is now a non-denominational, grade A listed venue that hosts weddings of all kinds. Stunning architectural features such as original wooden pews and beautiful stained glass windows combine with discreet modern technology to provide a venue worthy of the gorgeous natural scenery all around.

Portico's auditorium seats 180 on the ground floor and 120 in the gallery. Our attractive first floor terrace, with its view of Strangford Lough, our beautiful garden and our spacious quadrangle are ideal for champagne and canapés after your wedding. Should the weather prove unkind our Orr Meeting Room, panelled in period style, or the historical gallery with its exhibitions, are both characterful alternatives. There is a small kitchen on site or, through our partners, an array of catering options from sandwich lunches or canapé receptions to fully fledged banquets, all at highly competitive rates. For larger receptions we recommend a marquee in our landscaped grounds, the historic Old National School community hall opposite or one of the many excellent hospitality options in Portaferry or Strangford. Whether you are looking for views of rolling hills, the Mourne mountains or the coastal beauty of Strangford Lough, there is a wide range of catering and accommodation offers available across this scenic area.

Portico is wheelchair accessible with internal and external lifts, bathroom facilities and dedicated badged spaces within the extensive adjacent parking. Inside, the stage can be raised for performers or the service as desired. Piano, organ or recorded music are available or bespoke musicians can be brought in. Complete with the latest audiovisual technology, our multiple lighting options can provide atmospheric mood lighting. We can record your wedding for you; or even stream it live!

We work with a range of wedding service providers from cars, caterers and celebrants to florists, photographers and quartets. To ensure each wedding is unique we ask you to contact us to discuss your individual requirements.

Can we have any kind of wedding at Portico? We can offer any style of humanist or belief ceremony. You can bring any qualified celebrant or officiant or we can help you find one. **How much does it cost?** It depends on what you want and when you want it but our midweek rate is extremely reasonable - just ask!









Contact us

To find out more about hiring Portico for your wedding or to come and see the venue yourself please get in touch with us.

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