

Town of Brooks

961 Hwy 85 Connector, PO Box 96
Brooks, Georgia 30205
770-719-7666

Brooks Chapel (hereinafter referred to as "Chapel") is available for rent from the Town Council of the Town of Brooks, GA (hereinafter referred to as "Town") for use by the residents of the Town and the general public, subject to the terms and conditions set for in this Rental Agreement and the Rules and Regulations, attached hereto as Exhibit A and made a part hereof. Rental of the Brooks Chapel shall include the use of Hardy Hall, subject to the terms and conditions set for in this Rental Agreement and the Rules and Regulations, attached hereto as Exhibit A and made a part hereof. The Brooks Woman's Club, for the purposes of renting Brooks Chapel, shall serve as the Rental Agent for the Town.

- A. The Chapel is available for rent between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and midnight daily and may be rented by any individual at least twenty-one (21) years of age, on behalf of him/herself or on behalf of a group or organization (hereinafter referred to as "Renter").
- B. Rent for Brooks Chapel shall be THREE HUNDRED FIFTY (\$350.00) DOLLARS. The Rent includes opening the buildings up three (3) times: for decorating, for rehearsal and for the ceremony. Additional openings will be charged to Renter at TWENTY-FIVE (\$25.00) DOLLARS each time. Opening times must be determined at the time the Rental Agreement is executed by the parties.
- C. A Refundable Security Deposit in the amount of ONE HUNDRED FIFTY (\$150.00) DOLLARS shall be paid by Renter to cover the cost of any damage to the building, furniture or furnishings. The Security Deposit shall be refunded by Town to Renter only after inspection of the Chapel and the Hall by the Town or its Rental Agent and it has been determined that no damage has occurred as a result of Renter or Renter's guests. If damage has occurred, including but not limited to damage to floors, walls, appliances, furniture, furnishings, plumbing, electrical, landscaping, property of Renter's guests, etc., the cost of repair or replacement shall be deducted from the Security Deposit and the remaining balance of Security Deposit, if any, shall be refunded to Renter. Intentional damage or damage occurring due to neglect by Renter or Renter's guests could result in legal action.
- D. Upon acceptance and execution of the Rental Agreement by Renter, the Renter shall make payment of the Rent and the Security Deposit. Upon acceptance of the Rental Agreement executed by Renter and upon receipt of the Rent and Security Deposit, the Town's Rental Agent shall execute the Rental Agreement on behalf of the Town. **NOTE: A Rental Agreement without the signature of the parties and payment in full of the Rent and Security Deposit is not valid. The rental date is not guaranteed without a valid Rental Agreement.**
- E. All activities of Renter and Renter's guests must be terminated and the Chapel and Hall vacated and locked no later than midnight. The parking area must be vacated no later than 12:15 a.m. In the event any activity continues beyond midnight and/or the Renter or Renter's guests fail to vacate the Chapel and Hall by midnight or the parking area by 12:15 a.m., then Renter shall pay to Town an additional ONE HUNDRED (\$100.00) DOLLARS for each additional full/partial hour of activity or parking beyond midnight until the Chapel and Hall and parking area are completely vacated.
- F. Any monies due from Renter to Town as a result of Item E above must be paid to Town within five (5) business days following the date of Rental. Renter's failure to make such payment to Town will result in Renter's forfeiture of the Security Deposit.

- G. The maximum number of persons permitted in the Brooks Chapel at any time during the rental period is 135.
- H. All activities of Renter and Renter's guests shall occur only within the Chapel and the Hall, unless previously approved by the Town and noted in the Rental Agreement.
- I. Adult supervision is required at all times during the rental period and such adult shall be over twentyone (21) years of age. If the event is to be attended by individuals under eighteen (18) years of age, Renter shall provide no less than one adult over twenty-one (21) years of age to serve as chaperone for every twelve persons present under eighteen (18) years of age.
- J. NO PETS are allowed in Brooks Chapel or Hardy Hall.
- K. Renter is solely responsible for the conduct of all individuals present during the rental period. Renter shall ensure that all individuals present comply with the terms of the Rental Agreement and of all applicable Ordinances of the Town. Any expenses incurred by the Town as a result of the actions of Renter or Renter's guests or any individual present during the rental period shall be charged to and paid for by the Renter.
- L. The Town reserves the right to refuse the rental of the Chapel to any individual or organization, including those that have on a previous occasion rented the Chapel and/or Hall and failed to comply with any of the terms or conditions set forth in the Rental Agreement and/or Rules and Regulations, or Town Ordinances.
- M. Any request to cancel the Rental Agreement must be made in writing by the Renter. A cancellation fee in the amount of FIFTY (50%) PERCENT of the Rental set forth in Item B above will be charged to Renter in the event the written cancellation is received less than thirty (30) days prior to the rental date. No refund of the Rent will be made to a Renter in the event the written cancellation is received less than seven (7) days prior to the rental date.
- N. Renter understands that neither the Town, nor its Rental Agent, has conducted a thorough inspection of the premises to determine if the premises might be hazardous or dangerous to the Renter or to Renter's guests. Renter assumes any and all risk to Renter and to Renter's guests. Prior to Renter bringing Renter's guests into the Hall or onto the premises, Renter shall make a thorough inspection for latent and patent defects and unsafe conditions and shall warn Renter's guests of such defects and conditions prior to their use of the premises.

By signing below, Renter acknowledges that he/she has fully read the Rental Agreement, including Exhibit A, Rules and Regulations, and fully understands the terms and conditions contained therein. Renter acknowledges that he/she is fully and solely responsible to the Town for any injury and damage resulting from the failure of Renter and/or Renter's guests to adhere to the terms and conditions of the Rental Agreement, including Exhibit A, Rules and Regulations. Renter understands that such noncompliance may lead to the forfeiture of the Security Deposit and legal action.

Further, by signing below, Renter agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Town of Brooks and its Town Council and its Rental Agent, from any and all claims, including damages, judgments and/or attorneys' fees, brought by the undersigned, a guest, or any third party, resulting from injuries occurring within or about the Chapel or Hall or the premises or the parking area, which are not solely caused by the intentional or wrongful conduct or grossly negligent conduct of the Town, its Town Council or its Rental Agent.

Date: _____

Date: _____

Renter - Signature

Town Agent

PRINTED Name of Renter

Address of Renter

_____ Home Phone

_____ Cell Phone

_____ Email

Requested Rental Date: _____

From _____ am/pm to _____ am/pm

\$150.00 Security Deposit Paid on _____ by Check No. _____ Payable to TOWN OF BROOKS

\$650.00 Rent/Cleaning Fee Paid on _____ by Check No. _____ Payable to TOWN OF BROOKS

Please mail check (made out to Town of Brooks) and contract to:

Marge Counts, 296 Brooks Road, Brooks, GA 30205

Exhibit A

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. NO SMOKING in the Chapel or the Hall. Smoking is permitted ONLY outside the buildings.
2. NO ALCOHOL of any kind or type are permitted in the Chapel or Hall or on the premises or in the parking area.
3. NO DRUGS of any kind or type are permitted in the Chapel or Hall or on the premises or in the parking area.
4. NO GAMBLING. NO ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES of any kind are permitted in the Chapel or Hall or on the premises or in the parking area. In the event the police, sheriff or any other authority is contacted by anyone for any for which the Renter or any of the Renter's guests is responsible, the Chapel and/or Hall and the premises and the parking area shall be immediately vacated and locked and the Renter shall forfeit the Rent and the Security Deposit.
5. NO CANDLES, except for a Unity Candle during a wedding ceremony in the Chapel, may be used. Mechanical candles may be utilized in both the Chapel and the Hall.
6. No decorations may be hung, taped, stapled, nailed or otherwise affixed to the walls, ceilings or pews of the Chapel. Aisle runners and aisle stanchions are not permitted. No decorations may be hung, taped, stapled, nailed or otherwise affixed to the walls or ceilings of the Hall. All decorations must be removed upon termination of the rental. No pictures or fixtures may be removed, even temporarily, from the walls of the Chapel or the Hall.
7. No glitter, confetti, rice, birdseed, petals, etc. may be tossed in the Chapel or Hall, the outside areas or in the parking areas. Silk rose petals may be strewn only in the aisles of the Chapel. Celebratory bubbles may be used ONLY outside the Chapel or Hall.
8. The Renter is responsible for setting up the Chapel and/or Hall. With regard to the Hall, the Renter may arrange the tables and chairs to suit the function. The Renter is solely responsible for returning the Chapel and Hall to its original condition, including placement of tables and chairs in the Hall.
NOTE: THE CONFERENCE TABLE LOCATED IN THE HALL MAY NOT BE MOVED.
9. Please do not allow Food or Beverages in the Chapel. Trash cans are provided for collection of food and drink containers prior to entry into the chapel. Cooking and preparation of food is permitted within the kitchen area

of the Hall using the cooking appliances available/provided therein. The use of additional appliances or devices that must be plugged into an electrical outlet are prohibited. Renter may NOT bring any outside appliances for use at any event.

10. Any and all supplies utilized by the Renter must be furnished by the Renter. This includes, but is not limited to, tablecloths, linens, glasses, china, utensils, paper products, trash bags, etc.
11. NO Coolers are permitted in the Chapel. Caution should be taken by Renter when utilizing coolers in the Hall to insure that the flooring and furnishings are protected from possible leakage.
12. Any liquid or food spills must be cleaned up immediately by Renter. Brooms, mops, cleaning supplies, etc. can be found in the storage room and/or under the kitchen sink.
13. Any and all garbage, including decorations, gift paper, food leftovers, etc., must be appropriately bagged and removed from the premises by the Renter. GARBAGE SERVICE is provided outside the Hall.
14. Tables and chairs in the Hall must be returned to their original placement, including those needing to be folded and returned to storage. The kitchen counters and appliances must be wiped clean.
15. All belongings of Renter and guests must be removed from the premises. The Town is NOT responsible for any items, personal or otherwise, left behind by Renter.
16. In the event Renter brings in a vendor of any kind, such as a caterer or florist, etc., Renter is responsible for all aspects of vendor's presence on the property. Any damage by vendor is the responsibility of Renter.
17. Failure to comply shall cause forfeiture of the security deposit.

By signing below, Renter understands that Renter is solely responsible for any damage to the Brooks Chapel and/or Hardy Hall, including damage caused by Renter's guests. Any damage will be identified and assessed by the Town, the Town's Rental Agent and/or the Town's cleaning crew at the time the Chapel and Hall are inspected and/or cleaned following Renter's use of the premises.

Date: _____

Date: _____

Renter - Signature

Town Agent