

Des Moines Marriott Employee Holiday Celebration

Corporate Event

General Information

Performers

- Michael Sherman - msherman@felixandfingers.com - 5135181471 (Piano)
- Robert Deason - RobertDeason03@gmail.com - 18472040912 (Piano)

Entire Event Day Time Frame

01/16/2025 - 06:00 pm - 09:00 pm CST

Location

Des Moines Marriott Downtown
700 Grand Ave
Des Moines, Iowa 50309-2705

Contact Person(s)

Kim Compton
(515) 418-4399
kim.compton@marriott.com

Load-In

Load-in Note: You may see one or both performers arriving for setup. Rest assured, this is normal and coordinated in advance.

You may load in equipment at 04:00 pm

Please Note: We have a freight elevator for larger equipment if needed. Otherwise we have guest elevators to take you to the second floor to the Iowa Ballroom. We can provide bell carts, etc.... to assist with any move in needs.

Expected number of guests:

150

Upgrades

- Mini-shells

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General Timeline

Itinerary

Time Frame	Activity	Notes
6pm- 8pm	Dinner (DJ first 30 min, then duel)	Dinner will be buffet stations and people will get a table and start to eat as they arrive. There is no set "stop" time for the buffet stations. Most people will eat immediately upon arrival.
8pm	Thank you/Prizes	Raffles prizes - drawing names/numbers for door prizes
6pm-8pm & 8:20-8:50pm	Dueling Pianos	Love to have upbeat music playing as people arrive, then transition into more 'entertainment' around 6:30/6:45pm. Play pianos for an hour. Then prizes. Then pianos. Then we will raffle off last prizes of the night.
8:50pm	Thank yous/Prizes	Giving out last raffles prizes

Dinner Seating

The buffets will be set around the room and we are happy to share our meal with the performers.

Explicit Lyrics:

Can you not say the cuss word or replace it with the 'clean' version? If a request comes in for a song that is littered with cuss words, please skip the request.

Songs To Avoid:

We need to be careful with cuss words/swearing.

Tipping:

No

Additional Information: Many of our attendees are from various countries but most do speak English. Quite a few love to dance, so encouraging their participation on the dance floor. There may be some younger children in attendance but not many.

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Miscellaneous Information

People To Include In Show

Brandon Danner- General Manager
Christina Cook- Destination Sales Manager
Kim Compton- Dir. of Human Resources

Children

Approximate Number Of Children: A handful

General Age Range: Not sure...

Wireless

Details:

Please Provide The Name Of The Connection And Password

Wireless Name

Password

MarriottBonvoy-Conference

Elevate

Other

Performer's Attire - Festive (In accordance with a particular holiday)

Alice in Wonderland theme - wear sparkly blazers

Performance Expectations - 3 - A mix of interaction with both traditional requests and dance songs.

This number represents a sliding scale between 0 and 5. 0 leans towards traditional bar show with lots of dueling piano banter and comedy. 5 represents a show with little talking and non-stop dancing.

[Please be sure to review the Corporate Events Guide!](#)

Departure And Load-Out

We must be packed up and out of the venue by 11:00 pm

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Gear Check And No-List

Reminders:

- Turn down the lights in the room
- Double check your sound board settings, speaker settings, lights, mics on, etc.

Gear Check List:

- Keyboard (with power cable and sustain pedal)
- Wireless Mic and extra batteries (lapel for ceremony)
- Stands (Keyboard Stand, Music Stand, Mic Stand, Light Stands, Speaker Stands)
- Speakers (with power cables)
- Monitors (Players may bring their own. All monitors must use the Main Send, no independent mixes)
- Lights (With power cables and pedals)
- iPad (charged, or with charger)
- Mixing Board
- EIF/Questionnaire
- Pencils/Forms/Tip Jar/Gaff Tape
- Freddy
- Stool
- Cables (Power/Patch/XLR/DJ Cable)
- DJ Headphones
- Mini Shells
- Rockin Roller
- Extra Mic
- Clothing: Shirt/Pants/Socks/Shoes/Belt/Tie/Undershirt
- Business Cards

The "No" List

- No venue manager
- No special announcements
- No must-play songs
- No tipping allowed
- No alcohol
- No sound ordinances
- No shuttle

Emergency Contacts

Below is the order of contact to follow:

1. National Entertainment Director
Shawn Grindle - (412) 860-0544

2. Logistics Manager
Tina Naponelli - (815) 382-4341

If they are unavailable:

3. COO
Bre Podgorski - (818) 823-5799 (text only)

4. CEO
Mike Potts - (815) 245-3623 (text only)

Scribd

Scribd is a great resource for locating sheet music (ie. First dances, ceremony music, special requests). Please feel free to use our account.

Username: info@felixandfingers.com

Password: FFPlayer88

Player FAQ

Have other questions? Chat with our [AI Support](#)