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Boston's top planners share their secrets.



THE PLANNER
Holly Harrington
Stern, Harrington
Events

YEARS IN THE BIZ
More than 10

SECRET WEAPON
Holly has a background
in design, which she
uses to give her clients
an extra, creative edge.



THE PLANNER
Linnea Tangorra,
Tangorra Wedding
Planning

YEARS IN THE BIZ
Six

SECRET WEAPON
A positive attitude.
“If I remain calm and
keep people laughing,
it relaxes the couple
and lets them enjoy
their day.”



THE PLANNER
Paula Marrero,
Marrero Events

YEARS IN THE BIZ
More than 12

SECRET WEAPON
Knowing New
England vendors like
the back of her hand.
“There are countless
vendors with excellent
experience and talent,
but they have to be
the perfect fit for
the couple.”



brand-new venue

“The Lofts at 319 A Street, (617) 849-4993, just opened and is absolutely great! It has 5,800 square feet of rustic space that’s both modern and simple. Think along the lines of hardwood floors, brick walls, large windows, funky artwork, lounge furniture, a pool table and Soho-style freight elevator.” —*Holly*

historic hazards

“Boston’s known for its amazing historic venues, but be careful—many of them have restrictions such as a no-candle policy or strict noise ordinances that will require you to end your reception earlier. You might also be required to take out an insurance policy to protect the property from any damage.” —*Linnea*

outdoor hot spot

“I absolutely adore The Connors Family Retreat and Conference Center in Dover, (617) 552-9210. It’s close to Boston and is loaded with beautiful gardens and private outdoor areas that can suit weddings of various sizes. The 55,000 square-foot mansion is gorgeous, and it also has an on-site chapel if you want an indoor ceremony.” —*Paula*

festive food carts

“Incorporate Boston’s famous Italian neighborhood, the North End, into your reception with a sausage cart. It’s the perfect way to give guests something to eat on their way into the cocktail hour.” —*Linnea*

tax trouble

“Thanks to a recent law change, not all hotels in Boston have the same tax rates. Ask beforehand what the tax percentage will be so you’re not surprised when there’s an additional 8 percent added to your bill—ouch!” —*Holly*



sweet treats

“Chocolates are and will always remain a favor favorite! In addition to the many chocolatiers in and around Boston, Salem’s Harbor Sweets, (978) 745-7648, ranks as one of the all-time favorites for local charm!” —*Paula*

