

MEERKERK GARDENS PHOTOGRAPHIC & MEDIA RELEASE (for Professional Photographers)

- 1. Permits are granted for a 30 day period.
- 2. Permits must be submitted no later than 7 days prior to the first photographic event.
- Permits can be submitted by email to the Meerkerk Public Outreach Administrator at <u>events@meerkerkgardens.org</u> or mail it to: Public Outreach Coordinator Meerkerk Gardens PO Box 154 Greenbank, WA 98253
- 4. A copy with an approval and permit dates will be emailed back to you.
- 5. You must have a copy with you the day of the photographic event.
- 6. An email copy will be emailed to the Executive Director by the Outreach Administrator.

MEERKERK GARDENS PHOTOGRAPHIC & MEDIA PERMIT

We welcome everyone to enjoy Meerkerk Garden and the many photographic opportunities that the Garden offers. We do ask that all photographers follow our requests so that we may keep the Garden looking its best at all times.

Photographers are allowed access to the gardens during posted operating hours which are 9 am - 4 pm every day that Meerkerk is open to the public. However, this permit does not give individuals permission to walk in the flower beds nor does it grant special access to any restricted areas. Furthermore, photographers may not affect the movement of our visitors by impeding access to any area within our garden. Meerkerk Gardens reserves the right to turn away photographers who are not operating in accordance with our rules and regulations, as well as photographers who have not made reservations.

While 2020 Covid-19 restrictions are in place, photographers will be required to maintain the recommended CDC guidelines and keep a 6 foot distance from any visitors or staff in the garden. Photographers are allowed to bring basic camera equipment and a tripod. Studio lighting, heavy equipment, ladders, etc. are not allowed.

Please note that drones are currently prohibited on Meerkerk Gardens property. Individuals found to have operated drones over Meerkerk Gardens property will be denied access to our garden for photography and media purposes, and any signed permit will be considered void.

Additionally, under no circumstance may photographers solicit business on company property or engage in any form of advertisement.

By signing this permit, you agree to give Meerkerk Gardens published credit whenever you publish photographs of Meerkerk Gardens property. Please be advised that you will not be allowed to perform any professional photography unless you sign this permit. You will be given a copy of this permit and Meerkerk Gardens will retain a copy. This permit is valid for 30 days.

Meerkerk Gardens reserves the right to adjust these policies at any time, with or without notice, in the best interest of the Gardens and the general public.

Photographer Signature		Date
Print Name		
Company Name/Address		
Phone Number	Email	
Permit Approved by		
Permit Dates from	to	_