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## VALENTINE'S DAY, THE MOST LOVEABLE DAY OF THE YEAR

For over 150 years couples have been getting married at the NSW Registry of Births Deaths & Marriages, and this Valentine's Day will be another full house.

On 14 February, the Registry will perform 68 marriage ceremonies for couples. The first ceremony will start at 9:00am with the last ceremony in the evening at 7.30pm.

With the cost of getting married continually rising, the Registry remains an affordable option. "We are a one stop shop. We provide all the ceremony planning, the venue, marriage officer and even the vows", said Greg Curry, Registrar, NSW Registry of Births Deaths & Marriages.

The Registry is the largest single provider of civil marriages in NSW. In 2009, the Registry performed over 4,500 marriage ceremonies.

"Registry marriages are increasingly popular among couples. This is because we offer an elegant and inexpensive way to celebrate this important event", continued Mr Curry.

The Registry conducts marriages Monday to Friday across their four locations at Chippendale, Parramatta, Newcastle and Wollongong. The Sydney and Parramatta Registry offices also conduct marriages on weekends. Registry office marriages start from \$330.

To find out more about getting married at the Registry, call 1300 655 236 or visit [www.bdm.nsw.gov.au](http://www.bdm.nsw.gov.au)