

canstruction®

7th annual incredible edible design competition

March 31 - April 3, 2010

call for entries

Who Teams of Northern Nevada Architects, Engineers, Contractors, Designers and Students. Anyone who is interested in design and helping the community!

What Design & build structures made entirely from canned foods within a 10'x10'x8'h space.

**When Dec. 3 Kickoff Meeting –
WorthGroup 9400 Gateway Dr, 5pm**

Dec. 30	Deadline for Entry – 5pm
Jan. 21	Preliminary Design Due - Sooner is better in order to avoid duplicate designs
Mar. 2	Deadline for Final Plan & Food Order
Mar. 30	Move Cans to Event Location
Mar. 31	Build-Out
Mar. 31-Apr. 3	Open to Public viewing
Apr. 1	Press Preview, Judging, Awards
Apr. 3	Peoples Choice Balloting
Apr. 4	Tear Down & Move Cans to Food Bank

Where TBD

Why To benefit the Food Bank of Northern Nevada

How Complete entry form below.
Entry fee \$100/Design Team ~ \$25/student team.
Make check payable to "AIA Northern Nevada"

Mail to: **AIANN/Canstruction®**
3495 Lakeside Dr. PMB 15
Reno, NV 89509

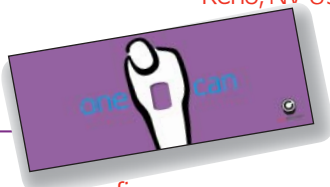
It starts with one can. To feed the hungry. To lift the spirit. To change the world. Canstruction®, a charity committed to ending hunger, is using 'one can' as a catalyst for change. Over 58,000 Northern Nevadans access hunger relief programs supported by the Food Bank of Northern Nevada. Canstruction's 7th Annual Design/Build Competition puts a visual spotlight on hunger while showcasing the Northern Nevada design community's best and brightest.

Think you have what it takes to design and build a structure made of nothing more than canned food, ingenuity, and luck? Enter today. Get creative, help stop hunger. [one can.](#)



Complete rules and regulations are attached.

Note: FBNN will match between \$500 to \$1000 of can costs for the first 10 STUDENT TEAM entries. Corporate and Student Teams will otherwise be responsible for the costs of the food product needed to create their sculptures.



firm name _____

address _____

phone _____ fax _____

team captain _____ home phone _____

cell phone _____ email _____

Presented by American Institute of Architects, Northern Nevada Chapter and the Food Bank of Northern Nevada. For further info contact Fred Graham at (775) 852-3977x111 or e-mail fgraham@worthgroup.com, or Dave Eckes at (775) 337-6139 or e-mail dave@daveeckes.com. CANstruction is an event created by The Society for Design Administration. Art direction and design: badpartners for The ADVERTISING Club.



RULES & REGULATIONS

The following rules and regulations govern all Canstruction® Competitions. After the official building rules you will see other guidelines that you can adapt to your competition depending on local conditions. They are included here to assist you in thinking about those aspects and logistics of the competition

Each person on the committee should be given a copy of the rules and regulations.

Each team **must** be provided with a copy of the rules and regulations. These should be distributed to a team representative either at a meeting for those wishing to learn more prior to entering or at a team kickoff meeting. Anyone not in attendance should receive a copy via e-mail or mail.

A team kickoff meeting or meeting for interested firms should be held. At that time the rules and regulations along with all local conditions should be gone over line by line so that there can be no misunderstanding or misinterpretation of the rules.

These same rules and regulations are to be explained to the Jury. All building materials and methods observed the night of the build-out are to be conveyed to the Jury. You may require that all teams submit a list of their adjunct building materials or building systems they will be employing. The Jury will interpret the rules and regulations in making their determination.

Competition organizers do not disqualify an entry. All decisions are left in the hands of the Jury.

- Awards will be given in the following categories:
 - Best Meal
 - Best Use of Labels
 - Structural Ingenuity
 - Jurors' Favorite
 - 2 Honorable Mentions

After all the competitions are held, local winners go on to compete internationally through submission of digital photography to a panel of jurors that convenes at the SDA/AIA International Convention in the spring of each year. The local jury may give additional awards such as Peoples' Choice award; however they do not proceed to the international competition.

- **Maximum** size for a structure is 10'l x 10'w x 8'h.
- Each team is to **provide a sketch or computer image and dimensions of their structure by DATE**. Firm names will be kept anonymous prior to the announcement of the winners. Fax or e-mail to the attention of:
NAME / E-MAIL ADDRESS. Do not send CAD files.
- **Maximum size of the official team** that actually builds the structure is five (5) people. Only 5 people will be permitted to build at one time. You may have one additional person to un-box cans. Five people includes those who are cutting foam-

core and other materials, etc. 5 means 5. Period. Teams may swap out members and are allowed a maximum of 15 minutes for transition. Regardless of how many people in the firm/school participate, five people must be selected as the official team members. They will receive name tags with team ribbons the night of the gala and their names will appear on the signage accompanying the structure.

- Aluminum food cans of all sizes may be used. Some food manufacturers are switching to plastic. If using plastic containers make sure they can take the pressure of cans from above.
- No glass containers allowed.
- No pet food.
- No alcoholic beverages.
- Use of soda or junk food – depending on the jury, you run the risk that they will penalize you for using non-nutritional items, i.e. you could lose. Remember the food banks need nutritional food, not junk food. Make every effort in designing your structure to use nutritious, edible foods.
- No opened or exposed food. (attracts vermin)
- Cans must be full, unopened, and with labels intact and legible. Labels **may not** be covered, stripped off or altered in any way.
- Use of boxes and bags is **strongly** discouraged. The name of the competition is **Canstruction**. Jurors prefer to follow the name of the competition and in recent years many structures with boxes did not make it through the elimination process at the International level.
- Props are **strongly** discouraged. Jurors prefer pure food structures. Try to solve all design problems with food items. All things equal, a structure with props will lose when judged against a structure with no props. (Example: a structure that has eyes. One entry uses black cans to make eyes; another entry cuts out black circles of paper and tapes on cans for eyes. Once the jury sees that eyes can be made from cans or a food product, any entry using paper cutouts is in disfavor.)
- Structures **MUST** be structurally self-supporting. **NO** 2x4's, **NO** half-inch plywood, **NO** half-inch thick tubing, **NO** sheet metal. **Permissible: one-quarter inch thick** foam-core, cardboard, masonite, plywood, plexiglass, threaded rod – for the purpose of leveling or balancing materials and not as load bearing. Cardboard tubes used as guides must also be limited to one-quarter inch thick. A structure where the ¼" leveling materials cannot be seen is usually judged superior to a structure where it is in plain view.
- Velcro, clear and double-faced tape may be used.
- High-tension rubber bands, nylon string, wire, tie-backs are permissible.
- No permanent adhesives.

- **Teams should visit their assigned site in advance of the build-out date to determine if there are any problems in positioning their entry in the space provided. Structures should be placed well back from window walls for photographic purposes. If the host site is carpeted or has uneven flooring each team should provide a plywood or masonite base.**
- Teams are responsible for leaving their site “broom-clean.”