



Call for Entries - Miracle's 2019 CAN You Build It

Think you have what it takes to design and build a structure made of nothing more than canned food and creativity? Enter today!

Hunger plagues every community across the world. More than 910,000 people in Indiana don't know where their next meal is coming from; 300,000 of these people are children. Vigo County alone has 18,230 people who are food insecure. Miracle on 7th Street, a charity committed to ending hunger in the Wabash Valley, is using can food art as a catalyst for change.

The Miracle's CAN You Build It is a creative and social medium that has the ability to consistently raise thousands of pounds of food for hunger relief organizations. The charities directly benefiting from the Miracle's CAN Art Sculptures include: 14th & Chestnut's Grumbling Tummies program; Providence Food Pantry; St. Benedict's Soup Kitchen; United Campus Ministries and Catholic Charities.

Miracle on 7th Street will accept up to 12 teams into this year's exhibit.
There is no fee to enter the contest. Entrants are on a first-come basis.

The CAN You Build It participants will have their can art sculptures located in various locations in Terre Haute Downtown and at The Meadows (at 25th & Poplar Streets) leading up to the two-day Miracle on 7th Street Christmas event which is slated for Friday, December 6th and Saturday, December 7th.

There are 10 basic rules:

- (1.) All entering teams must have at least one member who is an architect, engineer, designer, contractor, professor, school teacher or other designated design professional to provide mentorship.
- (2.) All teams are responsible for acquiring/purchasing all food for their structure.
- (3.) Structures must fit within a 10 foot x 10 foot area with a maximum height of 10 feet.
- (4.) There is a maximum of 5 builders permitted at one time within the 10 foot x 10 foot construction area. There can be additional team members working outside of this area during the build out. There is no limit to the amount of people involved in the planning, logistics and design. Time limit for final build-out is 12 hours.
- (5.) Teams must submit the following information: Title of structure, written description, design concept, dimensions, detailed list of foods and numbers of cans used. This information is used for display.



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- (6.) Structures must be made of unopened canned food, with minimal or no elements of non-perishable package food or props. All labels must remain intact.
- (7.) Structures must be completely self-supporting. Structural support must not be *load bearing*. Maximum of less than ½ inch sheets of foam core, masonite, plexi glass, cardboard, plywood or similar materials can be used as a leveling device between rows of cans.
- (8.) Canned food can be joined using any of the following methods: clear packaging tape, double sided tape, duct tape, Velcro, fishing line, wire, rubber bands, zip straps etc. Any method that provides easy demounting is permitted provided the labels and cans are NOT damaged. No gluing, welding or other permanent affixing of cans allowed.
- (9.) No alcohol, glass containers, pet food, expired or open packages of food allowed in the structure. All labels must be intact.
- (10.) **Always Observe Safety Precautions!** The following safety precautions provide important information intended to prevent personal injury to the builder and others, and property damage.

Personal Safety:

- Closed toed shoes are necessary for protection against foot injuries.
- Watch where you are walking. Don't run.
- The use of illegal drugs or alcohol or being under the influence of the same on the project shall be cause of dismissal.
- Do not distract attention of fellow volunteers. Do not engage in any act which would endanger another person.
- Lift correctly – with legs, not the back. If the load is too heavy get help.
- Do not use power tools and equipment at the final construction site. All design and construction of the CAN Art Sculpture should be completed prior to final display set-up.
- Take caution when using equipment i.e. ladders, dollies etc.

The two-day Miracle on 7th Street will begin on Friday, December 6th, from 5:00 pm to 10:00 pm, and reopen on Saturday, December 7th, from Noon to 9:00 pm. The Miracle CAN You Build It can art sculptures is open to all organizations/companies within the Wabash Valley.

Construction of the CAN Art Sculptures at its designated display location may begin as early as Monday, November 4, 2019 and must be completed by Monday, November 18, 2019 (Thanksgiving week). The CAN Sculpture will remain on display at minimum through Miracle on 7th Street two-day festival. However, dependent upon display location the CAN Sculpture could be on display through January 2nd.



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Registration Form:

Team's Name: _____
Team's Contact Person(s): _____
Team's Contact Person(s) Email(s): _____ _____
Phone Number: _____ Cell Phone: _____
Title of Structure: _____
CAN Art Sculpture Description: _____ _____ _____ _____ _____
Design Concept: _____
Detailed List of Foods and Number of Cans Used: _____ _____ _____
Team Captain Name and Signature: _____

The Miracle **CAN You Build It** registration form should be filled out in its entirety and signed prior to submission. **Submission deadline is October 31, 2019.** The completed registration form should be delivered to:

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About Miracle on 7th Street

The Miracle on 7th Street is a 501c(3) not-for-profit organization that is governed by a 6-member board chaired by Mrs. Boo Lloyd. Mr. Terry Hogan serves as the event manager for Miracle on 7th Street.