Official Rules + Regulations:

CANstruction Philadelphia 2018
The 12th Annual Design + Build Competition
Exhibition Dates: June 22nd - 29th, 2018
Theme: IMPACT!

Contact: Alexander Klohr – canstructionphiladelphia@gmail.com
DEADLINE FOR ENTRY into the 2018 12th Anniversary CANstruction Philadelphia Competition:
Monday, February 12th, 2018 @ 5:00pm
Entry Form + $250 must be received at the Center for Architecture and Design, and emailed to construcitonphiladelphia@gmail.com [See Call For Entries for more details, all entries are first-come, first-served].

The maximum number of teams for this year’s competition is 15 TEAMS! Again, registration is first-come, first-served, and there will be no exceptions, so we encourage everyone to submit their Entry Form and $250 ASAP.

The following rules and regulations govern all Canstruction® competitions. After the official building rules you will see other guidelines that are adapted for the Philadelphia competition. They are included here to assist your team in understand all of aspects and logistics of the 2018 competition in Philadelphia.

Each person on the committee and each team should be given a copy of the rules and regulations to review.

These same rules and regulations will be explained to the Jury that will be judging the competition. The Jury will interpret the rules and regulations in making their determinations. All decisions are left in the hands of the Jury when it comes to awarding the teams and structures, however the competition organizers [CANstruction Philadelphia Steering Committee] reserve the right to disqualify any team or entry if the rules and regulations herein are not followed by an individual or a team during the competition [before, during and/or after the Build Night]. If a team fails to meet deadlines or follow the rules and regulations, they will be disqualified and may not be invited to participate in future events.

Awards will be given in the following 5 categories:
- Best Meal
- Best Use of Labels
- Structural Ingenuity
- Most Cans
- Best Original Design

Philabundance will also give the following award (following a week-long public vote):
- People’s Choice

The Venue for our 2018 Event is Bok Building’s Girl’s Gym (800 Mifflin Street entrance):
800 Mifflin Street, Philadelphia, PA 19148
*SEE MOVING MANIFESTO FOR UPDATED DROP OFF NOTES!

After all the competitions are held, local winners will be submitted by the Philadelphia Steering Committee to compete internationally through the submission of digital photography to a panel of jurors that convenes at the SDA/AIA International Convention in the spring of each year. Note: Most Cans and People’s Choice Awards do not proceed to the International Competition, because these awards are not recognized beyond the local competitions.

Please refer to the following pages for important information, rules and regulations for: Structures, Teams, Submission Deadlines, Acquisition of Goods, Moving Manifest, Deliveries, Build Night, Judging, Awards Gala, and DeCANstruction:
MAXIMUM SIZE FOR A STRUCTURE is:

10’L x 10’W x 8’H [please note the change to an 8’ maximum height – for safety reasons]

MAXIMUM SIZE OF THE OFFICIAL TEAM is:

Five (5) Persons

This is the size of the team that is able to build the structure at one time, but full teams can be any size. Only 5 team members will be permitted to build at one time, but you may have additional team members on site to un-box cans, tag-in and tag-out of building. Teams may swap out members at any time. Regardless of how many team members are in the firm/school participating, five individuals must be selected as the official team, with ONE designated team captain.

FOOD CANS OF ANY AND ALL SIZES MAY BE USED:

Some food manufacturers are switching to plastic. If you are planning to use plastic containers make sure they can take the pressure of cans from above. No glass containers are allowed. No pet food is allowed. No alcoholic beverages are allowed. No use of soda or junk food – depending on the jury, you may be penalized for using non-nutritional items. Remember, the food bank needs nutritional food. Make efforts to use nutritious, edible foods. No opened/exposed food.

LABELS ON CANS MAY NOT BE COVERED, ALTERED OR REMOVED/DESTROYED IN ANY WAY!

Cans must be full, unopened and with labels intact and legible. You CANNOT compromise the integrity of the can (labels are required for the cans to be submitted to the foodbank, cans without labels will be discarded and not counted toward your team or our event totals).

PLEASE MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO USE CANNED GOODS!

Use of boxes and bags is strongly discouraged. The name of the competition is CANstruction, not BOXstruction or WaterBottleStruction; therefore, jurors prefer that canned food is used in the competition. In recent years, many structures utilizing boxes, water bottles, etc. did not make it through the elimination process at the Local and International competitions. Additionally, an excessive use of props is strongly discouraged. Jurors prefer pure food structures. Try to solve design problems with food items. A structure with props will always 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 the eyes - once the jury sees that eyes can be made from cans or a food product, an entry using paper cutouts may be looked over). Neither Bok Building nor CANstruction Philadelphia is responsible for props that are stolen or removed from the exhibit location during the weekend public exhibit.

PERMISSIBLE MATERIALS:

One-quarter inch thick foam-core, ¼ inch thick cardboard, ¼ inch thick masonite, ¼ inch thick plywood, ¼ inch thick plexiglass, ¼ inch thick threaded rod – for the purpose of leveling or balancing materials but 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-stick tape may be used. High-tension rubber bands, nylon string, wire and tie-backs are permissible.

HOWEVER, CAN STRUCTURES MUST BE STRUCTURALLY SELF-SUPPORTING!

NO 2x4 boards, NO half-inch plywood, NO half-inch thick tubing and NO sheet metal. NO PERMANENT ADHESIVES.

THERE IS TO BE ABSOLUTELY NO CUTTING OF MATERIALS IN BOK BUILDING THE NIGHT OF BUILD NIGHT. ALL MATERIALS MUST BE PRE-CUT BEFORE ARRIVING ON THE PREMISES. TEAMS THAT DO NOT ABIDE BY THIS WILL BE DISQUALIFIED FROM THE COMPETITION, BUT ALL CANNED GOODS WILL STILL BE DONATED TO PHILABUNDANCE.

TEAMS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR LEAVING THEIR SITE “BROOM-CLEAN” AT THE END OF DECONSTRUCTION. ALL MATERIALS MUST BE TAKEN TO THE LOADING DOCK AND PROPERLY BROKEN DOWN, RECYCLED, OR DISCARDED BY THE TEAM THAT USED THEM TO BUILD THEIR STRUCTURES. KEEP THIS IN MIND WHEN CHOOSING MATERIALS!

Any questions please contact CANstruction Event Co-Chair, Alexander Klohr at: canstructionphiladelphia@gmail.com
TEAM CONCEPTS & SKETCHES are due by:
**Friday, March 9th, 2018 @ 5:00pm** [by email to CANstruction gmail account]

**Theme:** IMPACT! Concepts are first-come, first-served.
Each team is to provide a sketch or computer image, complete with proposed dimensions of their structure by March 9, 2018. Submissions should be emailed to the attention of Alexander Klohr at the CANstruction email: canstructionphiladelphia@gmail.com. DO NOT send CAD files. PDF format is preferred.

If two teams submit the same idea, both teams will be notified. At that time, preference will be given to the team who submitted their design first and included the most detail at the time of their submission (a scaled drawing will be given preference over a napkin sketch, showing that team has put more thought and work into their design at that time). The other team will be required to re-submit a concept within a week of the initial deadline (by: Friday March 16th). That said, once the teams are notified they have the same design, either team may relinquish their design concept in favor of coming up with a new design. The Steering Committee reserves the rights to determine which team keeps the design.

SIGNAGE TEXT is due by:
**Monday, May 14th, 2018 @ 5:00pm**
Each entry will have an 18” x 36” foam-core board that will be adjacent to their structure. There is an official graphic standard for the layout that is used without exception. Boards will be designed, populated with content and printed by the CANstruction Philadelphia Steering Committee. All your team has to do is provide the content (see Sample Signage Text Submission page at the end of this packet for more details – email canstructionphiladelphia@gmail.com for questions, concerns or more information).

Email Signage Text as a Word Document to canstructionphiladelphia@gmail.com.
You do NOT need to format the Word Document, we do this for you! All we need is the text and content.
You do NOT need to choose fonts, sizes, graphics, etc., again, we will handle all of that for you!
No text boxes, no picture boxes, no graphics, no logos, no colors (firm or contributors).
Please use the sample page as a guideline, and enter a return between each piece of information required!

The information requested should be submitted in a Word Document in the following order:

**Firm/School/Team Name(s)** – The way it should officially appear in the program.
Confirm with a firm Principal or Director.

**Title of Entry** – If any word in your title is to be italicized, in all caps, etc, please do so in your submission!

**Descriptive Paragraph** – Minimum Length = 150 words. Maximum Length = 300 words.
This is what is provided to the Jurors and public as they view each entry. The descriptions are most helpful in drawing the Jurors’ and Public’s eye to the rich detail in each design, any play on words, double entendres with the label names, etc. Don’t get caught up in making long drawn out philosophical statements – keep that to one sentence and let your entry speak for itself, spend your time describing the choices you made in cans and labels to articulate your theme. Please Spellcheck your paragraph!

**5-Person Team Names** – Captain first (no exceptions, no co-captains) followed by the other 4 “official” team names in alphabetical order by last name – spell names correctly – you may only designate ONE team captain.

**Thank You’s** – This section is where you can thank your other team members (if you had more than five), and for any sponsors and/or contributors who participated.

If information is not submitted in the format requested above, the CANstruction Philadelphia Steering Committee reserves the right to edit your text submission, correct your 5-Person Team Names and Thank Yous accordingly so that they meet the requirements of the International Organization.

Any questions please contact CANstruction Event Chair, Alexander Klohr at: canstructionphiladelphia@gmail.com
ACQUISITION OF CANNED GOODS

Participating firms/schools/teams are responsible for obtaining their own supply of canned goods. In the past, teams have gone about this in a number of ways: fundraising for money and purchasing canned goods in bulk, canned food drives, asking food stores to donate canned food items, etc... This is entirely up to you and your team!

Firms may solicit canned goods and/or financial donations from manufacturers, consultants, vendors, contractors or conduct employee food drives to acquire their canned goods for their structure.

Expired canned food should not be used in the competitions as the food will not be accepted by the local food bank.

ALL CANNED GOODS MUST BE PURCHASED/DONATED AND READY FOR DELIVERY ON:
Wednesday, June 20th, 2018 – 12pm-7pm WITHOUT EXCEPTION!
Food items will be delivered to Bok Building Wednesday, June 20th, 2 days prior to Build Night on Friday, June 22nd, 2018.

IMPORTANT NOTE: UNDERSTANDING CHARITABLE DONATIONS FOR CANSTRUCTION TEAMS:
The local CANstruction Philadelphia competition IS NOT a 501(c)3 non-profit charitable organization. It is a charitable event run through the Philadelphia Center for Architecture to benefit Philabundance. The Center for Architecture IS a 501(c)3 non-profit, and holds the CANstruction Philadelphia financial account. When seeking donations for your team, our local food bank, Philabundance, will not provide its taxpayer ID or provide a written letter to each donor to use as a charitable tax deduction. So, when seeking donations, suggest to donors to take the contribution as a marketing/public relations business expense. Philabundance will not provide a written letter because they do not receive the monetary or canned goods donations directly from your sponsors/donors (the donations go through 3rd parties – the teams themselves, the CANstruction Philadelphia event, the Center For Architecture, and then eventually all proceeds and goods are donated to Philabundance). Because of this process, Philabundance has no way of tracking each individual’s contributions, and therefore will not provide its tax ID or written letters for liability purposes, but they will provide a letter to recognize their partnership with CANstruction Philadelphia, the Center for Architecture and AIA Philadelphia. Tell sponsors and contributors that their names will appear on your signage next to your structure and that will give them marketing/PR exposure. We CAN provide you with the Center for Architecture’s W9, employer identification and tax ID numbers, and the proof of partnership letter from Philabundance to CANstruction Philadelphia and the CFA and AIA.

ALL CANNED GOODS MUST BE DELIVERED JUNE 20TH, 2018 BETWEEN NOON AND 7PM!
If your team cannot deliver your cans this day, unfortunately you will not be able to participate in the event.
See the Moving Manifest, Deliveries and Build Night Official Rules + Regulations on the following page for more details about this process.

USE OF THE CANSTRUCTION PHILADELPHIA AND PHILABUNDANCE NAMES/LOGOS:

ESPECIALLY FOR INDIVIDUAL TEAM FUNDRAISERS/EVENTS:
Individual CANstruction Teams are NOT permitted to use the Philabundance Name or Logo for personal team events that have not been approved by the CANstruction Philadelphia Steering Committee or Philabundance.
(THESE ESPECIALLY APPLY TO EVENTS THAT INVOLVE ALCOHOL, SUCH AS HAPPY HOURS)

Please use caution when promoting your events, and be cognizant of the fact that Philabundance is the final recipient of our donations, but Philabundance does not endorse your teams’ individual efforts and events to raise money (for example: you cannot promote a happy hour event and say that “All proceeds benefit Philabundance” because some proceeds from that event may go to your materials to build your structure, which in fact do not benefit the food bank, and Philabundance has not authorized that event). Feel free to use your personal CANstruction Philadelphia TEAM NAME when planning events or fundraisers to support your team, but DO NOT use the Philabundance name inappropriately (for example you may say: “All proceeds benefit Team ________‘s participation in the CANstruction Philadelphia event”).

Failure to abide by these rules may result in a disqualification from the competition.

Any questions please contact CANstruction Event Chair, Alexander Klohr at: canstructionphiladelphia@gmail.com
MOVING MANIFEST (CAN INFORMATION):
All deliveries must come through one of the Bok Building entrances on Mifflin Street. The Girl’s Gym is located near 8th and Mifflin (800 Mifflin), and has 6 small steps to get up, and then a quick/straight walk into the gym. Another entrance on Mifflin (closer to 9th Street) has a ramp, but requires you to wheel your cans down a long hallway inside Bok. When you are delivering your cans, you must have enough team members ON SITE at all times during deliveries to make sure all cans have been delivered efficiently in a timely manner. Keep in mind THERE ARE STEPS! If you are using an outside mover to have your cans delivered to the exhibition building they must be delivered to the site with members from your team present at the time of delivery, AND PREPARED FOR STEPS (WE DO NOT RECOMMEND PACKAGING YOUR CANS IN LARGE BOXES ON ROLLING WHEELS THIS YEAR, BECAUSE THE DIRECT ACCESS HAS STEPS, AND THE RAMP ACCESS IS VERY NARROW). We will have the parking lane blocked off to allow room for deliveries!

PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN DOLLIES/CARTS/ETC TO MOVE YOUR CANS FROM THE STREET TO THE EXHIBIT IN THE GIRL’S GYM AT BOK BUILDING, THIS WILL MAKE YOUR LIVES A LOT EASIER! Bok Building will not have dollies for your use, so plan ahead so your delivery process can be as smooth as possible.
Cans may be delivered to the site ONLY on the date listed as permissible, and you must provide a window of time to the CANstruction Philadelphia Steering Committee (June 29 – Noon-7pm).

Note: This year you will be delivering your cans to your already taped out 10’x10’ square in the exhibit space, so on Build Night, all you have to do is show up, and start building! We hope the change in venue is beneficial for our teams!

BUILD NIGHT is scheduled for:
Friday, June 22nd, 2018 @ 5:00pm – 12:00am
Each team MUST arrive with enough time for Build Night to end by MIDNIGHT! Build Night begins anytime after 5pm on Friday night, but you may begin to move and organize your materials starting at 4pm. If your team arrives after 6pm, you will be disqualified from the competition. If your team does not follow the rules, they will be disqualified from the competition and ineligible from receiving awards.

Each team captain must submit an Excel Spreadsheet on Build Night that includes their firm/school/team’s contact information and columns requiring the following detailed inventory of cans (a sample spreadsheet will be provided):
- Name
- Quantity and Size of each food product used in the structure
- Total number of cans
- Total cost whether purchased or donated
- Total amount of monetary donations being donated to Philabundance

Complete ALL preparations of foam-core/material cutting or other special materials you require PRIOR TO THE EVENING OF BUILD NIGHT. NO CUTTING OF MATERIALS IS PERMITTED AT BOK BUILDING. If you have a chance to practice building in your office, take that opportunity to minimize surprises at the site. Bring plenty of extra supplies (tape, scissors, cardboard) – over estimate. Bring a ladder if you are building a taller structure. Boxes must be stored out of sight for repackaging at the end of the event. You are permitted to bring food, snacks and non-alcoholic beverages for Build Night. When your CANstruction is completely finished, send a representative to the onsite CANstruction Chair to check out. Sponsors of CANstruction may drop by during Build Night. Please be courteous, cheerful and happy to meet them. Without their financial and in-kind donations we would be unable to produce CANstruction. All teams must be finished by MIDNIGHT, WITHOUT EXCEPTION! If your structure falls during the exhibit, you must be prepared to clean it!

There is to be absolutely NO consumption of alcoholic beverages on the premises of Bok Building in the Girl’s Gym during Build Night. Once you are finished, you can go to the roof to Bok Bar (if it is still open). If ANY of the CANstruction volunteers witness the presence or consumption of alcoholic beverages by a team, your team will be disqualified from the competition, removed from the venue, and your firm will be contacted by AIA Philadelphia. In the event of such an occurrence, it is understood that all canned goods will still be donated to Philabundance, but the team will be given no recognition for participation in the 2018 CANstruction Philadelphia event and competition.

Any questions please contact CANstruction Event Chair, Alexander Klohr at: canstructionphiladelphia@gmail.com
JUDGING, THE GALA, DECANSTRUCTION: OFFICIAL RULES + REGULATIONS

JUDGING is scheduled for:
Saturday, June 23rd, 2018 @ 12:00pm
Judging is conducted anonymously by a panel of “celebrity” judges from the local Philadelphia food and design industries. Signage will not be displayed until the jury has left, but the descriptions of each structure will be provided to the jury. If your structure has fallen overnight, you will be notified the morning of June 23rd by both telephone and email. If you have time to come and rebuild before judging, you may do so, but if you choose not to rebuild, you must come and clean up your site. Team members are not permitted to be on location at the time of judging. People’s Choice voting will be conducted on the Philabundance website, and the winner will be announced at the close of the exhibit on June 29th.

THE 2018 aCANemy Awards is scheduled for:
Wednesday, June 27th, 2018 @ 6:00pm
This year, we are switching up the Gala to a more casual and accessible date and time. This new weeknight format will hopefully encourage a larger attendance. Presentations of awards will begin at 6:00pm. AT LEAST ONE REPRESENTATIVE FROM EACH TEAM IS REQUIRED TO ATTEND IN ORDER TO RECEIVE AN AWARD, IF YOUR TEAM DOES NOT HAVE SOMEONE IN ATTENDANCE, THE RUNNER-UP IN THAT CATEGORY WILL BE AWARDED.

TICKETS: This year, the event will be FREE and OPEN TO THE PUBLIC, no tickets or registration required! We encourage you to bring as many individuals as you want! The Award Ceremony will take place inside the Girl’s Gym from 6:00-6:30pm, at which time, everyone will be encouraged to go upstairs to Bok Bar and enjoy the rest of the night (guests are responsible for their own food/drink purchases at Bok Bar).

PHOTOGRAPHY + VIDEOGRAPHY: Professional photographs will be taken of each entry, and winning teams will have their photos taken at the awards presentation during the aCANemy Awards. A photographer and videographer will be on site on build night and the evening of the Awards for candid photographs, finished team shots, a time-lapse video, etc. Take your own photos, and make sure to tag CANstructionPHL on social media and stay tuned for the 2018 hashtags!

DECANSTRUCTION is scheduled for:
FRIDAY, JUNE 29th, 2018 @ 12:00-4:00pm
EACH TEAM IS RESPONSIBLE TO TAKE DOWN / DECANSTRUCT THEIR STRUCTURE, PACK IT INTO BOXES, AND MOVE THE CANS OUTSIDE TO THE CURB ON MIFFLIN STREET FOR PICKUP BY PHILABUNDANCE. ALL TEAMS MUST ARRIVE ON TIME FOR DECANSTRUCTION, AND THE EXHIBIT SHOULD BE COMPLETELY CLEARED BY 4PM. THIS YEAR WE MOVED DECANSTRUCTION TO FRIDAY AFTERNOON TO ACCOMMODATE PHILABUNDANCE WHO DOES NOT WORK ON WEEKENDS. PHILABUNDANCE CAN ONLY PICK UP ON FRIDAY JUNE 29 BETWEEN NOON AND 4PM, SO TAKE A LONGER LUNCH BREAK, AND BRING YOUR COWORKERS TO HELP TAKE DOWN YOUR STRUCTURE QUICKLY OVER LUNCH!

MATERIALS: All materials that are not being donated to Philabundance (cardboard, tape, dollies, etc) must be removed from Bok Building at the end of DeCANstruction. Cardboard, Wood, Masonite, etc. sheets must all be taken to the dumpsters in the building (BE CAUTIOUS OF YOUR MATERIALS FOR THE DECANSTRUCTION AND CLEAN UP PROCESS).

PHILABUNDANCE: Philabundance will be on site to collect the cans from Bok Building. Please interact with them, share your stories from CANstruction, and be kind and courteous when engaging these amazing volunteers! They will provide large watermelon bins for you to load your cans into on the sidewalk outside of Bok Building. The more team members that come for DeCANstruction, the quicker the process is, and the sooner you get to go home and rest (or back to work)!

At the end of the process, Philabundance will count all of the cans, and give us our grand total for 2018!
LET’S MAKE OUR 12TH ANNIVERSARY OUR BIGGEST YEAR YET!!!

Any questions please contact CANstruction Event Chair, Alexander Klohr at: canstructionphiladelphia@gmail.com
**SAMPLE SIGNAGE TEXT SUBMISSION:** OFFICIAL RULES + REGULATIONS

McKnight Edwards Klohr
Firm Name(s)

**CAN after my own Heart**
Structure Title

**Descriptive Paragraph**
(Minimum Word Count: 150, Maximum Word Count: 300 – if you cannot edit your text to 400 words max, the CANstruction Philadelphia Steering Committee reserves the rights to edit it for you).

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TEAM CAPTAIN MUST BE MENTIONED FIRST, THEN THE SUBSEQUENT 4 TEAM MEMBERS MUST BE LISTED IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER BY LAST NAME.

Team: (1) Jared McKnight, Captain
(2) Kelly Edwards
(3) Alexander Klohr
(4) _______________________
(5) _______________________

**Special Thanks** to our other team members: Rebecca Johnson, Glenn Bergman, etc. etc. etc.

**Special Thank You** to Whole Foods, Lucky Deli, Di Bruno Brothers, Fresh Grocer, Crown Holdings, NRI, and ARC for their generous sponsorships and contributions to our structure.

**NOTE:** FOR THE 2018 COMPETITION + EXHIBIT, TEAMS ARE NOT PERMITTED TO DISPLAY THEIR OWN “THANK YOU” BOARDS.

**2018 THEME:** IMPACT!