

2012

FAQ

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

HOW DO I FIND SPONSORS AND FOOD FOR OUR TEAM?

Look to clients, vendors and consultants and ask them if they would contribute; \$100, \$500 towards your sculpture. Do bake sales, 50/50 draws. Go to your neighbourhood grocery store and ask if they would contribute \$500 or more dollars of canned goods. Remember to tell everyone that they will be acknowledged on your team sign. If you're a school or youth group, remember to tell your donors that CAN\$BANK will match the first \$1,000 you raise with them. Remember, each team is responsible for securing their own food.

CAN WE PRACTISE BUILDING BEFORE HAND?

YES! It is a great idea, particularly if you need to work out some tricky structural challenges beforehand. If you have food delivered to your office (and HY Louie will do this for you), you will have to arrange for its delivery to your construction site. See the Captains Manual for details. **IF** you decide to do a pre-build, **please let us know**, we might be able to use a photo of it in some of our publicity for Construction and make you famous!

WE'D LIKE TO HAVE SOME SPECIAL LIGHTING / SOUND EFFECTS / VIDEO...

There is limited access to electrical outlets. You will have to supply your own electrical extension cords. Construction provides lighting for exhibit sculptures where possible.

CAN WE HAVE MORE THAN 3 PEOPLE INVOLVED DURING THE BUILDING?

Only 3 builders can handle the actual cans for the sculpture **within** the official competition 10' x 10' area at any one time during the build. However those 3 people can change or hand-off to fresh team mates. There is no limit to how many others can be unloading cans, opening boxes, taping stacks together, cheerleading..... (some like to pre-tape with clear packing tape. Think about tag-teaming).

HOW DO LOCATIONS AT THE EXHIBIT GET ASSIGNED?

We try hard to make sure everyone every one has the best available location for their sculpture. If you specifically need an electrical plug, or a backdrop wall, or a 360° view we'll do our best within reason and ability. The final decision regarding location for each competition team always rests with the Construction Committee. No exceptions.

HOW DO WE GET TAX RECEIPTS FOR FOOD OR MONEY DONATIONS?

YES! Make sure you check the Captain's manual for all the details. **KEEP** your receipts. At the end of the event you can submit them all to the Greater Vancouver Food Bank Society for a tax receipt. Unfortunately tax receipts will not be issued to cover costs like; team goodies, tape, box cutters etc.

WHAT TIME DOES THE BUILD BEGIN?

The Construction build out begins on Saturday afternoon at 3:00 in the afternoon, and will continue on the Sunday as well.

HOW DO WE BRING OUR FOOD TO OUR BUILD SITES?

It is easier than ever. EACH venue will have different load in and load out instructions. Captains Bulletins will have the details.

CAN I VOLUNTEER DURING THE CANSTRUCTION EXHIBITION?

YES, YES, YES! Of course you can! Volunteers are needed during the build out, during the exhibition for our special activities like the Tin Cup Challenge, and of course Scrabblum. We need volunteers to be docents for our many school and senior groups, to help at the front desk and volunteer for CANDemonium! our Awards Night. If you can help please contact Doug Aason at the Food Bank – douga@foodbank.bc.ca

CAN MY KIDS COME WITH THEIR CLASS AT SCHOOL?

DEFINITELY! We have a lot of school groups come down and tour Construction. Suggest teacher go to our website or email podmorej@shaw.ca for more information.

TEAM BUILD

Sat. Mar. 24th

2:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Sun. Mar. 25th

8:00 am – 3:00 pm

JUDGING

March 26th and 27th

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Mon. March 26th - April 4th

Excluding Sunday April 1st

HSBC Pendulum Gallery

Georgia at Hornby,

Fortis BC Building

Georgia at Thurlow