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Design/Build Competition Guidelines

SUMMARY

PAWchitecture, brought to you by the Miami Center for Architecture & Design, is a design/build competition of original, one-of-a-kind pet furniture created by professional and student design teams. The built designs will be on display at Aventura Mall during October's Celebrate Architecture & Design Month. All the homes will be available for silent auction through online bidding with proceeds going to the Greater Miami Humane Society and the Miami Center for Architecture & Design.

TEAMS

Twenty professional team slots and 5 student team slots are available for the 2022 PAWchitecture Competition and will be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis. Student teams must be from DASH or be members of AIAS. Teams shall register online at aiamiami.org

REGISTRATION COST

Professional team registration fee	AIA Miami	\$250
	Non-AIA Members	\$350
Student team registration fee	AIAS Members	\$50
	DASH Students	\$10

IMPORTANT DATES

JUNE 27	TEAM REGISTRATION OPENS
JULY 20	TEAM REGISTRATION CLOSES
JULY 22	VIRTUAL KICK OFF & TEAM CAPTAINS MTG
AUGUST 19	DESIGN SUBMITTAL DUE TO MCAD (REQUIRED)
AUGUST 24	DESIGN REVIEW RESPONSE TO TEAMS
AUGUST 29	TEAM CONSTRUCTION COMMENCES
SEPTEMBER 8	TEAM CAPTAINS' MEETING/TEAM HAPPY HOUR (REQUIRED)
SEPTEMBER 23	FINAL DESIGN PACKET DUE TO MCAD (REQUIRED)
OCTOBER TBD	BUILT ENTRIES INSTALLED @ AVENTURA MALL (Schedule TBD)

COMPETITION GUIDELINES

We encourage teams to create original, fun, interesting, and one-of-a-kind designs that will be enjoyed by dogs, cats, and people alike! Below are the minimum and basic guidelines that must be met by all competition entries. Any homes that do not meet the below criteria, teams will be asked to re-design, re-build their home or the home may be removed from the competition and/or display at Aventura Mall.

- All pet homes must provide a safe and comfortable shelter for animals
- All pet homes must be designed to accommodate removable bedding
- All pet homes designed for outdoor use must be built with exterior-grade materials and provide a sheltered entry and means to keep floor of home dry from natural elements, such as floor being raised slightly off the ground
- All doors and/or operable openings must be fixed in the closed position with mechanical fasteners



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- All openings must be covered by a minimum of ¼" thick plexiglass and securely attached with mechanical fasteners. Any homes delivered to Aventura Mall for display without plexiglass installed at time of arrival, will not be allowed to be set on the Aventura Mall floor. This condition is a requirement of Aventura Mall for display and must be strictly observed.
- Should homes or plexiglass be damaged while on display, MCAD will contact the team captains. It is the responsibility of the team captains to ensure the home is repaired within 24 hours of notification. Failure to repair or replace damaged components can result in the home being removed from display.
- All homes must be securely mounted to pallets that should be painted in the theme of the pet home. All homes must be moveable with a standard pallet jack. The pallet forks need to go in from the front of the project. Designers will not be judged on the pallet.

COMPETITION CATEGORIES

At the time of registration, each team will select their preferred design category.

Big Woof (Large) –

Designs should feature king-sized concepts with large dogs in mind Size: 5' wide x 5' high x 5' long (max)
Weight: 500lb (max)

Furr-niture (Medium) –

Designs should combine furniture-like aesthetic with the functionality of a doghouse, cat condo, or cat/doghouse combination. Size: 3' wide x 6' high x 4' long (max) Weight: 350lb (max)

Tiny Barker (Small)

Designs should feature big-dog creativity in a pint-sized package Size: 3' wide x 3' high x 4' long (max)
Weight: 250lb (max)

Cat Condo (small) –

Designs should embrace the active, agile, and curious nature of cats Size: 3' wide x 5' high x 3' long (max)
Weight: 250lb (max)

Most Miami (open) -

Designs should reflect the design ethos and vibe of Miami and the Beaches. Height should be under 5' tall and footprint no larger than 5' x 5'. Max weight is 400lb (max)

SIZE & WEIGHT

Homes will be limited to the maximum size indicated by the chosen design/build category. Any size within the max size range will be deemed acceptable, pending design review approval. Please note that each doghouse should be designed to fit through a standard 3'-0" door except for those in the 'Big Dog' and 'Most Miami' categories.

Homes cannot exceed the maximum weight limit indicated in the design/build category. Please take into consideration that the team is responsible for transportation and placing of the home on a Pallet. Remember that each home must be mounted to a pallet with the pallet holes facing forward, for easy movement by Mall staff. Please also consider the feasibility of transportation and relocation by the eventual owner as well as Aventura Mall maintenance teams



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PRELIMINARY DESIGN REQUIREMENTS

DEADLINE: All teams must upload a completed preliminary design form to their team folder within the PAWchitecture Google Drive no later than August 5, for review. Teams MUST use the form which will be provided after registration.

NO exceptions. Any teams that submit preliminary designs, other than on the MCAD approved form, will be returned and may be eliminated from the design/build competition. The design package MUST include:

- o Design Form (Provided@ Registration)
- o Company Logos of Architects and Team Members in hi res .png format
- o List of Team Contacts
- o Best location on structure for signage (8.5x11) identified
- o Indication of where plexiglass will be used

MCAD, Turnberry, and Aventura Mall reserve the right to decline any design with just cause or reason. Teams will be notified by August 10 of preliminary design review approval.

CONSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS

All homes shall be functional and durable for indoor or outdoor use, using materials to withstand the elements, transportation and reasonable wear and tear. All structures must be complete without exposed nails or other materials that may be harmful to animals. All projects in the Furr-niture and Cat Condo categories should be designed for indoor use only and should be furniture-like in aesthetic.

These structures will be on public display at Aventura Mall. As such, the projects are likely to be touched by thousands of visitors. Please make sure all design elements are firmly attached, avoid sharp edges or corners and use of unfinished materials.

All openings into the home must be covered with mechanically fastened ¼" (or thicker) Plexiglas to prevent access by children, while on display at Aventura Mall. No teams may attach Plexiglas to homes on the Aventura Mall floor. Homes must arrive to Aventura Mall with Plexiglas intact, prior to admittance to Aventura Mall for display.

If construction requirements are not met at time of delivery, the homes will not be accepted for display and could result in elimination from the design/build competition.

FINAL SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

All teams must submit a final design package no later than September 23. The Final Design Package MUST include the Final Design Form (To be provided)

One signature photo that best shows the design and construction detailing of the completed submission. This photo will be displayed as the official photo for your design on the PAWchitecture website, all social media posts, the public mobile auction website in perpetuity. No late photos will be accepted.

No rendered images of submissions will be accepted in lieu of actual, completed project photo

DELIVERY

Teams will deliver and install on a date in October. A delivery schedule will be sent out to team captions no later than 2 weeks prior to install date.



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DEADLINE AND DELIVERY PENALTIES

Teams that do not meet the required deadlines set forth in the competition guidelines or fail to deliver a completed home on the date of delivery, shall incur the following penalties. These penalties will be billed to the Team Leader's firm. The penalty provides for missed fundraising revenue for withdrawals.

- Missed or Late Final Design Submission Deadline
 - Ineligibility for Design/Build Awards
- Missed or Late Completed Home Photo Deadline
 - Ineligibility for Design/Build Awards
- Late or Incomplete Home Delivery to Aventura Mall
 - \$250 Penalty
- Withdrawal from Competition after Schematic Design Deadline
 - \$500 Penalty

SIGNAGE

All projects shall be free of all company logos and/or signage. Teams may not add any logos for contributing partners nor any products inside the homes that display company names or logos.

Submissions may only have sanctioned signage. Sanctioned signage will be created and placed by MCAD and Aventura Mall staff only. Teams may not create, display, or add any signage in or on their projects.

Submissions that do not meet these requirements will not be allowed for display at Aventura Mall and may be removed from eligibility for Design/Build awards.

PAWchitecture AWARDS

All awards will be presented by MCAD at the closing event in October 2022

PET LOVERS' AWARD

The People's Choice is the built entry that receives the most votes and will receive the Pet Lovers' Award. This award is presented by the Humane Society of Greater Miami & MCAD and will not be awarded until after the projects have been removed from display at Aventura Mall.

BEST IN SHOW AWARD

The Best in Show will be presented as the overall winner of the PAWchitecture design/build competition and overall jurors' favorite. This entry will epitomize the best overall design and construction detailing in the pack.

PAWS IN SHOW AWARD

The Paws in Show will be presented as the overall runner-up to the winner of the PAWchitecture design/build competition and as second-place winner.

DESIGN/BUILD CATEGORY AWARDS (5 TOTAL)

Design/Build awards will be presented to the team that best embraces the spirit of their respective category:

- Big Woof – Best Big Doghouse Design/Build
- Tiny Barker – Best Small Doghouse Design/Build
- Furr-Niture – Best Pet Furniture Design/Build
- Cat Condo – Best Cat Friendly Design/Build
- Most Miami – Best Miami vibe Design/Build
- Honorable Mention – at Judge's discretion