



## Roger Owens – America's Premier Peanut Man

*"Roger Owens is the man  
Who throws the peanuts in the stands,  
People come from everywhere  
Just to see him throw a pair."*

Overhand, underhand, behind his back, under his leg....the most spectacular peanut vendor in history, Roger Owens, has tossed well over two million bags of peanuts utilizing his various patented techniques. His most popular pitch of all is his multiple bag special, where two bags of peanuts are thrown behind the back at the same time. With pinpoint accuracy, the peanuts find their way into the eager hands of the appreciative fans.

Known internationally as the **"Peanut Man"**, Roger has showcased these talents annually at Dodger games since the team moved from Brooklyn to L.A. This exposure has led to an array of various television and live appearances throughout the world. Perhaps his most memorable highlight came when the "Peanut Man" was invited to Washington D.C. in January 1977, to pitch peanuts at the Inaugural Party of another peanut man, President Jimmy Carter. Washington newspapers recognized that there were two peanut men in town – "Carter who grows 'em and Owens who throws 'em."

Other honors include the tossing of the ceremonial first pitch to open the 1976 and 1995 baseball season at Dodger Stadium. In 1976, Roger tossed the longest first ball pitch ever recorded...all the way from the second deck to home plate, while in 1995, on the field from the pitcher's mound to home plate. Roger has appeared in numerous World Series and All-Star games, Super Bowls, the Japan Bowl Tokyo-American Collegiate All-Star Football games, and the 1984 Los Angeles Olympic Games. During the 1976 NFL Football Season, Roger was invited to pitch peanuts at the home of the Dallas Cowboys at Texas Stadium. At this location, Roger set his single game selling record of 2,400 bags after running out of peanuts in the third quarter. Mr. Owens was also named as the official spokesperson for the Peanut Advisory Board. He has traveled nationwide on their behalf, billed as the Board's "Premier Peanut Pitcher".

These accomplishments, along with many other honors, all began out of necessity. Roger is the eldest of nine children of a Baptist minister. While the family endures some unfortunate circumstances during his youth, Roger assisted with the family income when called upon. Roger promptly secured a job as a soda vendor at the Coliseum in Los Angeles, and quickly went to the top of the ranks as a peanut vendor. It was during his high school and college days that Roger began to develop the artistry which has made him favorite of fans the world over....his unique ability to pitch peanuts, with a bit of banter thrown in for good cheer!

**TELEVISION APPEARANCES INCLUDE:** The Tonight Show \* The Today Show \* Good Morning America \* Rosie O'Donnell Show \* The Arsenio Hall Show \* Supernight at the Super Bowl \* Pat Sajak Show \* Entertainment Tonight \* NBC Newwork News \* Robin Hood, Men in Tights (Motion Picture) \* Major League All-Star Game \* Book – "The Perfect Pitch" – The Incredible True Story of the World Famous Peanut man from Dodger Stadium, Roger Owens. To grab your copy – [www.rogerowenspeanutman.com](http://www.rogerowenspeanutman.com) – MAKES A GREAT GIFT!

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