

Indoor Kite Flyer & Advocate

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- * Connor made it to the top 12, besting 90,000 other performers in season 5 of America's Got Talent flying indoor kites.
- * Diagnosed at age 4 with epilepsy, they learned he was having 30-40 petit mal seizures a day. He was put on medication that controlled the frequency of seizures, but at age 8 he developed atonic seizures where he would fall to the floor with no memory of who or where he was when he woke up. Another medication was added, but he had his first grand mal seizure at age 14.
- * As Connor got older and understood better what was going on, his seizures began to scare him and he developed anxiety. This later led to depression.
- * Students began bullying Connor about having epilepsy. To deal with the pain, Connor began to see a psychiatrist. More medication was added that got the seizures under control along with the anxiety and depression.
- * As an outlet, Connor found that kite flying helped him bringing him peace and relaxation. He met many friends through kite flying, but it was Scott Weider that taught Connor to fly kites indoors.
- * Connor created the Dare to Dream organization to promote bullying awareness and help others learn indoor kite flying to find their peace and relaxation.