

Get Into Your "Better Home Era" at the National Home Show, Presented by RE/MAX, Happening March 8-10 & 13-17 at the Enercare Centre, Exhibition Place

From small space design to dream home aspirations, green home solutions to healthy aging at home, Canada's premier home show is a one-stop destination for design, renovation, gardening and lifestyle inspiration

Save-the-Date for Media Preview Day: Friday, March 8 <u>Accreditation is Now Open</u>

Toronto, ON (February 29, 2024) — Preparations are underway as the **National Home Show**, **presented by RE/MAX**, prepares to welcome an anticipated 100,000 design aficionados, homeowners, DIYers and anyone looking for inspiration to get into their "better home era." Whether it's a room makeover, creating a smart home, expanding outdoor living, or a complete overhaul, Canada's largest home and garden show is a one-stop shop to find all the advice, products, services and know-how to get started. **The National Home Show runs from March 8-10 & 13-17 at the Enercare Centre, Exhibition Place. Tickets are available now via nationalhomeshow.com.**

"Designing a better living space is all about self-expression, lifestyle and wellness, both in the moment and for the long-term," says **Sharon Donaldson, Show Director, Toronto Home Shows**. "We're noticing more and more people looking to future-proof their homes and improve their quality of life by building with green, sustainable materials and energy-efficient smart solutions. Whether they want to create flex spaces that can easily transition as they get older, design home gyms and meditation spaces, or plan for lifestyle aspirations such as growing their own food, the National Home Show's exhibitors and experts can help visitors customize their home so they can reach a higher level of happiness."

The National Home Show is the ultimate destination to shop and compare from more than 600 vendors and experts, discover the latest design and building trends and get expert advice to tackle any DIY project, renovation, gardening how-tos, culinary hacks and more.

2024 National Home Show Highlights & Trends:



NEW - Feature Home & Garden Suite, built by Bonneville Homes and styled by Aspire Design Group

With more than 60 years of innovation and 40,000 houses built, **Bonneville Homes** is the leader in the field of pre-engineered homes. This year at the National Home Show, they have built a must-see Feature Home and separate Backyard Garden Suite, one of the biggest trends in home design.

Design duo, **Maria Perketa** and **Christine Da Costa**, from **Aspire Design Group** have added their distinctive luxury touches to the Bonneville Feature Home and Backyard Garden Suite, including the national premier of the Spring 2024 line of furnishings and accessories from Urban Barn.



Main Stage, presented by **Homeful**

More star-power than ever before! This year brings together Canada's leading designers, industry experts, and familiar faces. The lineup includes:

- Friday, March 8: Contractor and TV personality, Sherry Holmes
- Saturday, March 9, Cityline Day: Tracy Moore and Cityline experts
 Frankie Flowers, Shai Deluca, Leigh-Ann Perrault Allaire,
 Sharon Grech, Sarah Gunn and Julia Grieve
- Interior Designer Glen Peloso appears March 9 to talk about home tech trends
- Sunday, March 10: Home reno pioneer and TV personality, Mike Holmes
- Wednesday, March 13: Sustainable builder and designer, Chris Magwood as part of Green Building Learning Day
- Friday, March 15: HGTV/Gut Job's Sebastian Clovis as part of Laneway Homes & Garden Suites Day
- Saturday, March 16, House & Home Day: Founder of House & Home Magazine Lynda Reeves, alongside personality and entrepreneur of TOM Design Studio, Tommy Smythe
- Sunday, March 17: TV hosts, renovators, and design-build duo Sarah Richardson and Alexander Younger

See Speakers release <u>HERE</u> for the full lineup and presentation topics.



Yes. Chef!

In the Outdoor Kitchen, visitors can watch (and learn) from aspiring chefs from **Humber College's faculty of culinary arts** as they demonstrate prep skills and cooking techniques from cake decoration to pickling vegetables; and take-in a cooking demo from top chefs and restaurateurs such as:

- Asian-fusion chef **Nick Liu**, DaiLo restaurant
- Chef Adam Lafleur, Constantine Restaurant (Top 30 under 30)
- Chef Suman Ali Sayed, House of Khaleei
- Pastry Chef, **Sarah Hoebeke**, Duchess Sweets and Treats
- BBQ connoisseur Brian Misko, House of Q

Visitors can also enjoy demos from **Porta** (part of the Terroni Group of Restaurants), and much more!

The newly expanded **Outdoor Kitchen** and **Backyard Bar** will be built and landscaped by **Land-Con**.



Ask A Professional

The popular **Ask A Professional** booth, presented by **RenoMark** and **Reno+Decor Magazine**, offers visitors FREE 15-minute renovation and design consultations for your current/next project.



DIY Centre

The **DIY Centre** returns with National Home Show's resident design and renovation Ambassadors: **Desta Ostapyk** (*Love it Or List It*, HGTV), **Jordan Spear** and **Mark Rason**, who are ready to teach visitors the basics of using power tools and show them simple DIY projects they can do at home. The trio are on hand to help visitors build the confidence they need to take on any small task!



Condo Living

Size does matter when it comes to home design. With endless exhibitors and experts that cater specifically to condo living, attendees will find plenty of ideas for maximizing small spaces from modular furniture to creative storage solutions and beautiful balcony makeovers to create an oasis in the city.

NEW for 2024: get inspiration from the model condo balcony featuring furniture, condo-approved bbqs for outdoor grilling, and balcony plants that thrive in high altitudes.



Laneway Homes

The interest in laneway homes continues to grow with more homeowners looking to create additional living space to rent, expand, or to accommodate multi-generational living. Learn about by-laws, how to build and design, and include modern amenities into the unique layout of a laneway home.

Friday, March 15 is Laneway Day at the National Home Show. Join HGTV's **Sebastian Clovis** (*Gut Job*), who is currently building his own laneway suite, as he hosts a panel with building experts. Other laneway presentations will include talks on bylaws and planning, modular and prefab options, HST rebates, as well as a panel with no-holds barred war stories from homeowners who survived their own build.



Home Theatre Experience - The BBC Earth Viewing Lounge powered by Paradigm

Built to highlight Paradigm's excellence in audio, step inside the lounge, take a seat and immerse yourselves in the latest in-home entertainment technology. BBC Earth's award-winning programming will provide stunning visuals and sound. Plus, catch a sneak peek of *Planet Earth III* ahead of its premiere on March 10th, narrated by Sir David Attenborough.



Healthy Aging at Home

Explore the design movement dedicated to extending independent living at home for as long as possible. No matter what age, it's never too early to think about ergonomic design such as sit/stand tables, zeroentry showers, grab bars, home automation, and air quality to enhance well-being at home. Healthy homes and aging in place aren't just about home improvement BUT life improvement.

Visitors are invited to watch presentations every day in the Healthy Aging At Home space. Plus, on Thursday, March 14 the Main Stage features an outstanding line-up of experts in the aging in place field.



NEW – Tulip Selfie Stations and Garden Marketplace

Spring is blooming at the National Home Show with incredible garden ideas, garden suites, and balcony garden ideas. The expanded Garden Marketplace has everything for the plant novice or green thumb from tools, seeds, plants and accessories for indoor or outdoor growing.

Breakfast Television's **Frankie "Flowers" Ferragine** will be on the Main Stage on Saturday, March 9 to share tips on how to successfully grow your own vegetables and make nutritious home cooked meals; as well as a presentation on infusing garden herbs in wine from **Two Sisters Vineyards**, taking place in the **Outdoor Kitchen** area.

AND - Explore Tulip Alley

Explore the vibrant world of tulips as the **TASC Tulip Pick Farm** takes center stage. Stroll through the tulip display along the main aisle, and be sure to capture the spirit of spring by snapping captivating photos amidst the blossoms and selfie stations. This preview offers a glimpse of the millions of tulips blooms coming this spring when the TASC Tulip Pick Farm officially opens in Ridgeville, nestled in the picturesque Niagara Region!



Green Building Learning Zone

The Green Building Zone is where eco-conscious consumers learn to create an affordable home that is beautiful, energy efficient, designed for the well-being of its occupants, and built with materials that reduce embodied carbon, carbon emissions and create minimal waste.

Join **Chris Magwood**, a leader in sustainable building design, plus other experts on Green Building Day (Wednesday, March 13) for advice, seminars and workshops on building better.



Celebrate Women in Construction Week with Sherry Holmes

The National Home Show will shine a spotlight on **Women in Construction Week** on Friday, March 8, while also celebrating **International Women's Day**. Find educational resources and explore career opportunities for women in skilled trades; participate in hands-on workshops that will empower confidence to tackle home repairs and projects; and learn from experts including industry advocate, contractor and TV personality, **Sherry Holmes**.



Backyard Entertainment

Find plenty of outdoor living inspiration while having fun! Check out the **Backyard Bar**, and the **RE/MAX Sports Court and Backyard Games Zone** where visitors can enjoy a refreshing cocktail, beer or wine and then hit the basketball court, play yard games, and get into the trendy sport of Pickleball!

Make plans to make a splash this summer in the Best Backyard Ever, built by **UPLP**. Step into this feature garden display featuring a pool, lounge area, pergola and planters, and take home ideas on how to improve your backyard for more family fun together.

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Dates: March 8-10 & 13-17, 2024

*Closed on Monday, March 11 & Tuesday, March 12

Show Hours:

Friday, March 8: 10 am – 8 pm Saturday, March 9: 10 am – 8 pm Sunday, March 10: 10 am – 5 pm

Monday, March 11: CLOSED (NEW for 2024) Tuesday, March 12: CLOSED (NEW for 2024)

Wednesday, March 13: 10 am – 8 pm Thursday, March 14: 10 am – 8 pm Friday, March 15: 10 am – 8 pm Saturday, March 16: 10 am – 8 pm Sunday, March 17: 10 am – 5 pm

Tickets*: *plus hst

Adults: \$20 / Seniors (65+): \$17 / Youth (13-17): \$16

12 and under: Free

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