

The spring real estate market with Brad Cox



Welcome to 2011! The snow has melted and the Real Estate market is starting strong.

I'm seeing a real imbalance so far this spring. There are a lot more buyers than product on the market. This always changes as sellers realize increased selling prices but at the

moment we are back to multiple offers and fast deals. Great if you're selling, but more work if you're a buyer.

To find out how this may affect you please give me a ring, send me an email or page me. I'd love to answer any questions regarding your real estate needs.

FEATURED PROPERTIES



133 HELENDALE RD. — This is my first project with Joe Cornachia of Merin Developments. I've seen a few of his projects and they are beautiful. Joe and his team have very diverse style ranging from Ultra Modern to Classic Contemporary. The project on Helendale is a top up from the original bungalow. It has been blown out the back to add 15ft on all 4 levels. It's a deep lot and features 4 bedrooms, 4 bathrooms and 3400sf of living space. Helendale runs east west just a few blocks north west of Yonge and Eglinton. It's a fantastic neighborhood in a great school district. **Asking \$1.299mil**



22 FAIRVIEW AVENUE — We're almost complete on Fairview. It will be ready for a move in by June '11. This is a special house. Custom built in the true sense of the word, this house was literally gutted and rebuilt from the inside out by Ironwood construction. Boasting 4000sf of living space and custom features and fixtures too long to list. 22 Fairview is located between Playter Estates and Riverdale on a quiet little street that was developed close to 100 years ago for executives and upper management employees of Bell Canada. **Asking \$2.1mil**

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Nilli has been internationally recognized for her skill and creativity. Her talent is creating haircuts so easy to maintain that, even when left to air dry, they fall naturally into place.

Spring is a great time for a new 'do. Having the right cut and colour can take years off your appearance, giving you a fresh and more youthful look. If you are stuck in a rut with your hair, maybe it's time for a change. Choosing the right stylist, with the skill to bring out the best in your hair, is a great place to start.

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We're also completely devoted to the Kérastase styling and product line, especially the new Age Premium line—enriched with anti-oxidant ingredients, it's gentle on our hair, leaving it rejuvenated with body and suppleness.

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Julia West Home has seasonal home decor, accessories & gifts

Since 1998, *Julia West Home* has been bringing the best of past design traditions into the present. Famous for furniture design and construction, free parking just south of their building makes visiting easy.

Inside their large showroom is a wide selection of beautiful items designed by *Julia West*. Find bed linen lines, trendy aprons, soft home furnishings and accessories like great throws and wonderful pillows such as the often requested Carpe Diem Pillow.

Also find *Julia's* trademark furniture such as the hideaway desk featured here. It's an end-table... then it's a desk. And of course letterboards are available in dozens of designer fabrics, or made to order with your own fabric—they are perfect for keeping you organized.

Julia West's custom design service creates projects ranging from custom-made draperies or an armoire designed and made just for you, to whole room and whole home design build projects. Work directly with *Julia West* and the in-house design team for items perfect for you.



Visit, pick up a few new items, a throw or a pillow or two, some accessories, and instantly update your decor for the season. Mention *Just Around the Corner* and they'll pay the tax on your next showroom purchase!



Julia West Home | 140 Kendal Avenue | 416.324.7500 • JuliaWestHome.com

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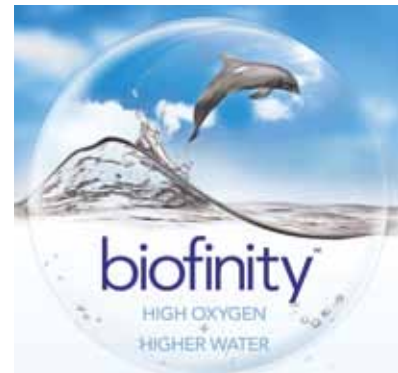
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First time biofinity wearers, don't forget to ask about your first time buyer's advantage. Call or visit *Yonge Vision* for details.

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Drop by to see Studio1098's new gems

The gem world meets in Tucson every winter for two intense weeks of gem trading. Tamara Kronis, one of the owners of *Studio1098*, went down to this year's show and combed through the merchandise at more than 40 sites around Tucson, to find the most interesting and unique gemstones for *Studio1098*.

Tamara just got back, and they've got some fabulous new gems and pearls to show you!

Studio1098 makes custom fine jewellery, including engagement rings and other significant pieces. They make all of their jewellery right here in Toronto, so anything is possible in terms of design, materials and gems.



If you have jewellery you don't wear lying around a safe deposit box or drawer, they can help you restyle it into something you will love. Old gold can be used as a credit against *Studio1098* projects and merchandise. They also do repairs and restringing.

Studio1098 | 1098 Yonge St. | 416.944.1098 • Studio1098.com

Spring Rejuvenation Package offers fantastic value

Due to popular demand, *The Health Associates Clinic* is yet again increasing the value of their seasonal package, offered only to the readers of *Just Around the Corner*.

The Pain-Free Winter Package was a huge success, so *The Health Associates Clinic* has decided to offer a complete **Spring Rejuvenation Package**.

Whether you are suffering from an injury due to winter sport or activity, an accident, chronic illness, an aging body, or just need to treat yourself to some stress relief, this special **Spring Rejuvenation Package** is just for you! Simply say you received this issue of *Just Around the Corner* to receive this incredible package offer:

A one hour massage therapy session, a chiropractic consult and treatment with 3 laser therapy sessions, and a consultation with a Naturopathic Doctor, for a total value of \$416.90 - ALL for \$175. But that's not all. You will also receive a **Body Analysis test (BIA)** to give you a better picture of your overall body composition and health, and help you better determine and track your weight loss goals. (For more information on BIA testing contact the clinic and ask to speak to one of the doctors on staff). Gift a loved one or yourself... you deserve it!

The Health Associates Clinic is a multidisciplinary clinic that has been serving the Toronto community for over 25 years. A full list of services and therapies include chiropractic, naturopathic medicine, registered massage therapy, craniosacral therapy, IV therapy, acupuncture, custom orthotic therapy, laser therapy (for the treatment of pain, for smoking cessation, and for anti-aging treatments), weight loss programs, athletic therapy and fitness training, osteopathic medicine, nutritional consulting and core stability training programs. *The Health Associates Clinic* pride themselves on their patient-centered friendly service and minimal to no-wait times! You come first at *The Health Associates Clinic!*

The Health Associates Clinic | 1407 Yonge St., Ste. 400 | 416.924.0777 • HealthAssociates.ca

New to Rosedale—Divino Italian Cuisine

New to Rosedale, *Divino Italian Cuisine* serves up Italian fine food at the corner of Yonge & Balmoral Avenue.

Owned and operated by the owner's of *Brownes Bistro*, *Divino's* casual atmosphere makes it the perfect family restaurant.

On the dinner menu is pizza—everything from the traditional pepperoni pizza, to the more sophisticated prosciutto, walnuts and gorgonzola topped pie. Also find a large selection of delicious pastas, including pappardelle with beef tenderloin, shitake mushrooms, green peas, garlic and shaved pecorino. Mains include seared striped bass and braised beef short ribs. They also have daily specials. All ingredients are sourced locally, and everything (including their desserts) is made from scratch on site.

Divino's price point is very reasonable with generous servings. They also have a good selection of wines. Reservations accepted for lunch and at dinner only for large group bookings. A private back room can accommodate up to 30 people. The restaurant is also wheelchair accessible. Visit website for full menus and online reservations.

Open seven days a week for lunch and dinner. Enjoy the patio as the weather warms up this spring!

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Bloom is always fully stocked on rare and unusual house plants, as well as Bonsai Trees, Orchids and some fun and exciting Terrariums.

Stop by for a visit, and see what is in BLOOM for this spring.

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Find fabulous & functional fashions at DianeKroe.com

Diane Kroe creates fun, functional fashions for women who love to travel. A long time fixture on Avenue Road in Lawrence Park, Diane Kroe may have closed her retail location, but her fabulous fashions are still available!

Diane's clothing is perfect for travel as every item can be worn multiple ways and combined to create many outfits. Made with jersey that is fully-lined so it never clings, it is easy to care for, has stretch and never needs ironing.

You can find her Signature Spa collections at leading hotels, resorts and destination spas, including the new Ritz-Carlton Spa Boutique in downtown Toronto. Her exclusive Travel Collection will be available at The One of a Kind Show this spring. The show is on at the Direct Energy Centre from March 30 to April 3. Find Diane Kroe at Booth O-16.

For upcoming shows, designs and events, go to her Facebook page and become a fan. For a 'Save the Tax' voucher on One of a Kind Show purchases for Diane's booth, email dianekroe@rogers.com.

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Dental Hygiene offers new patients an oral assessment, scaling, stain removal and an oral cancer screening. Oral cancer screenings are an important preventative health measure—if detected early oral cancer has an 80-90% cure rate. Dental Hygiene also offers in-office whitening or take-home whitening kits.

Dental Hygiene offers special services for younger patients, teaching them (and their parents) how to best maintain their oral health. They can also custom-make your child's sports guard, using their favourite colour, to protect their teeth during sports activities. They can even make mouth guards for an entire team.

Insurance accepted, gift certificates available, walk-ins welcome or call to reserve your time.

Dental Hygiene on Yonge | 1386 Yonge Street | 647.345.9221 • StrongTeeth.ca



Taschen opens new flagship store in Yorkville



Taschen is the German word for bags, and it's the perfect word to describe what this store offers—every sort of bag you can imagine—handbags, luggage, attache cases, briefcases, duffel bags, backpacks, suitcases, trunks, wallets, key pouches and more.

Taschen carries the best bags and luggage from around the world, including famous brand names Tumi and LeSportsac from the USA; Bree, Porsche Design, Rimowa and Offermann from Germany; Bric's, Mandarin Duck and Roncato from Italy; and Lacoste from France.

In December 2010 Taschen opened its new flagship store at 29 Yorkville Avenue. With more than 4200 sq. ft. it has the largest Tumi shop-in-shop in Canada, and the first shop-in-shop for the brand names of Bric's, Porsche Design, Offermann and Lacoste. It is the first store in the industry to introduce the 'in-store touch screen electronic catalogue' which uses a big-screen TV to help customers search for their ideal piece of luggage, briefcase or handbag, without having to crowd the shelves with every single item available from their suppliers.

Pictured are new limited edition Tumi Tag carry-on and packing bag, created in collaboration with renowned New York graffiti artist John "Crash" Matos.

Visit the store to see more of Tumi's new collection or shop Taschen online at www.taschen.net.

Taschen | taschen.ca
29 Yorkville Avenue | 416.923.2322
162 Cumberland St. (Renaissance Ct.) | 416.961.3185
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Speaking of Dogs—rescuing all breeds of dogs since 2001

Considering adopting a rescue dog? Perhaps you can't make the commitment but would like to help by caring for a dog short-term, in which case you might want to think about becoming a foster parent.

Speaking of Dogs Rescue, an all-breed rescue launched in 2001, is Toronto-based and always in recruit mode for responsible, caring people to become part of its foster parent team.

Dogs taken into the rescue come in all shapes, sizes and breed mixes, with the majority originating from shelters or puppy mills. More importantly, older dogs are welcomed at Speaking of Dogs Rescue; the senior citizens who have been abandoned through no fault of their own (often due to an owner passing) are often in need of a second leash on life.

Speaking of Dogs Rescue covers veterinary and medical attention, food and all the supplies needed for the dogs in foster care. Foster parents need to offer a safe environment along with heaping helpings of TLC; patience and understanding are also requirements. Fostering is a serious responsibility with unmatched rewards. It is a great option for people who travel south for the winter, have seasonal careers or even people who are considering adopting but would like to 'wade in' before making the plunge.

If you are interested, contact www.speakingofdogs.com for a foster package that is chock full of everything you need to know to get started!

An application can be sent to you by emailing lorraine@speakingofdogs.com.



Summerhill Nursery & Floral—Canada's Premier Garden Centre



Summerhill Nursery and Floral is a destination garden centre. Located south east of Casa Loma, there's simply nothing else like it in the GTA. Most city garden centres consist of a small store front and a few flowers stuffed onto racks. At two and a half acres, this place is huge by comparison. Summerhill has a full selection of annuals, perennials, exotic tropicals and woody plants. There is an endless selection of accessories for the garden, too. From patio furniture, planters, fountains, and statues—this place has it all. You can spend hours browsing the enormous indoor showroom and outdoor yard.

While the selection at Summerhill is impressive, it is the experience of shopping there that is most memorable. Whether you are a die-hard gardener or a casual enthusiast, Summerhill is an enjoyable adventure. Colour and fragrance blend with arresting and inspirational displays. The staff are supremely knowledgeable and will take the time to answer questions, give advice or enthusiastically talk about their favorite plants. It's fun to talk to other gardeners shopping at Summerhill for ideas and camaraderie.

Summerhill Nursery and Floral has lots of complimentary parking on the east side of the store. There is carry-out help and delivery service available, if needed.

Summerhill Nursery & Floral | 301 MacPherson Avenue | 416.922.6902 • SummerhillNursery.ca

Sparkle this spring with accessories from Coco & Jules



A great way to celebrate the season and update your look is with accessories. Coco & Jules always has some great finds. We love the array of scarves and shawls. From classic solid-coloured wool/cotton blends to imported, multi-colour graphic print scarves (that can also be worn as a shawl)—whatever you choose, you have a fabulous accessory that can brighten any outfit.



Funky jewellery can take you from the office to an evening out on the town. Switch your traditional daytime jewellery for chandelier earrings, or necklaces made using feathers, rhinestones or pearls. Fun and funky, they instantly transform your look and your state of mind.



Store owner Diana Howson designs her own bracelets and necklaces for the store, so they are truly exclusive to Coco & Jules. Her designs offer a new take on traditional pearls by adding hammered silver beads, crystals and more. Her added elements transform a classic look into something more casual and fun.

Coco & Jules is also renowned for their bags, in all shapes and sizes. Berkin style bags in red, cognac and black (for only \$260!). Their unstructured British-chic bags are a great find. Extremely well-made in a variety of sizes and super fun colours like lime green, cobalt blue and fuschia—perfect for a spring day.

Stop by and shop. Be sure to get added to their email list for their sales notices and shopping party e-vites!

Coco & Jules | 1013 Yonge St. | 416.921.8222 • CocoandJulesBoutique.com

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