

The summer real estate market with Brad Cox



Summer 2011!

The election is behind us, the dollar is strong and the Toronto housing market is as healthy as ever.

In my opinion there continues to be a market imbalance—lots of buyers not enough sellers. Multiple offers are commonplace, as not

enough product is introduced in given areas. This creates pent up demand, line ups for properties and higher prices.

Great for sellers, trickier if you're looking to buy....

For help or if you have any question, send me an email or give me a ring.

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 \$1.199mil**



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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Get great easytime summer hair at Nilli Salonspa

It's summertime, a season known for easy living. Having great hair always makes life breezy and easy. It all starts with the cut. Nilli, of *Nilli Salonspa*, works with your natural hair tendencies, for a cut that enhances your features and also fits your lifestyle.

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. While Nilli can cut any length/style of hair, she is especially skilled at **short haircut** styles.

As a long-time Nilli client we can tell you that Nilli has given us the hair we've always dreamed of—hair that is shiny, healthy and easy to manage.

Nilli uses a different process for colouring and highlighting hair, that actually conditions your hair and makes it healthier. Plus, they use all Kérastase products for everything—from shampoo, to treatments, to finishing/styling products. We're completely devoted to the Kérastase styling and product line, especially the new Age Premium line—it infuses our hair with body and suppleness. *Nilli Salonspa* is also devoted to helping you learn how to make the most of your hair with educational seminars. Call salon to learn more.

Nilli Salonspa is now open Saturdays and has late, extended evening hours. Call for details.

This summer visit *Nilli Salonspa* for a **cut and highlights (and/or colour)** and save **20% off** your entire bill. Offer expires July 15/11.

Nilli Salonspa | 521 Eglinton Avenue West | 416.487.1762 • NilliSalonspa.com

What's on the menu this summer at Boland's Open Kitchen

Chris Boland, formerly of Tasting Rooms Restaurant, Trapper's Restaurant and Telfer's—opened his newest establishment on Mt. Pleasant Road last summer.

Offering a menu that is diverse, with a flair for both healthy and indulgent, *Boland's Open Kitchen* is like visiting Chris' home for dinner. Diners are always welcomed with complimentary hors d'oeuvres.

To start your meal, choose from appetizers which include roasted garlic soup, crab salad, seared veal liver, and roasted beet & goat cheese salad.

Next select from main course menu items such as roasted, de-boned Cornish Hen with jump fried mushrooms, fingerling potatoes & double-smoked bacon with natural jus & truffle oil. Other mains include west coast halibut with cauliflower puree, mushrooms & vin blanc; seared pickerel on shaved fennel salad with sherry and olive oil vinaigrette; and slow roasted NY steak with cast iron baked layered potatoes, roasted garlic & béarnaise.

Sides are \$6 and portion sizes are made for two to share, including jump fried shrimp, steamed asparagus, sweet potato puree, and seared button mushrooms.

Visit for dinner Tuesday–Saturday, closed Sundays & Mondays (always available for private functions).

Boland's Open Kitchen | 575 Mt. Pleasant Rd. | 416.482.2424 • BolandsOpenKitchen.com



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Get a white hot smile at Dental Hygiene on Yonge

A great smile is your best accessory this summer, and a whiter smile is a great way to give yourself a mini-makeover that can make you look up to ten years younger!

Statistics show that a confident smile can make a difference in how you are perceived. 87% of adults acknowledge that they remember someone with an attractive smile, and 92% of adults agree that an attractive smile is an important social asset.

Dental Hygiene on Yonge offers in-clinic whitening, in addition to at home whitening kits. This summer they are offering **in-clinic whitening for \$99** (a \$250 value, **60% savings!**) when you book a dental hygiene appointment. Call for details.

This new Rosedale dental hygiene clinic is located on Yonge Street just south of St. Clair. They offer dental hygiene services—scaling and stain removal, and oral health assessment, including oral cancer screening.

Insurance accepted. Gift certificates available, walk-ins welcome or call to reserve your time. Get a whiter, brighter smile today.

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



Treatments to keep you healthy, having fun this summer

For more than 25 years the *Health Associates Clinic* has been serving the Toronto community, bringing the best of patient-centered, friendly service, tailored to your health and wellness needs.

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Call now to take that first step towards better health and optimal performance! For the months of June and July receive: a relaxing and therapeutic **one hour massage**; a **Naturopathic consultation**; and an initial **Chiropractic examination with treatment and laser therapy**. Book now to receive all these services for **only \$95 plus HST**—a \$250 value (a more than **60% savings!**) Ask how the package can be covered by your benefits plan.

It's time for you to put yourself first at the *Health Associates Clinic*. Call now to ask about how the team can help!

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, shiitake 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 this summer!

Divino Italian Cuisine | One Balmoral Avenue | 416.515.0003 • DivinoCuisine.com



Julia West Home helps you enjoy the great outdoors

Enjoy the great outdoors this season in style with home decor and accessories by *Julia West Home*.

Inside their large showroom is a wide selection of beautiful items, including table linens to compliment your outdoor/garden dining. Also 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.

Julia West is famous for their trademark furniture such as their hideaway desk. 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.

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.

Visit, pick up a few new items for your home and cottage for summer, 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

Summer 2011 collection features classic and edgy shapes

The Oliver Peoples Summer 2011 Collection focuses on an exploration of love, chemistry and sexuality in contemporary society. It is inspired by early American Broadway and Vaudeville productions and features both classic and edgy lens shapes, retro detailing, thick, rounded plastic cuts and a variety of options for all wearers.

The consumer is a confident intellectual with a progressive sense of fashion, and appreciates discoverability and quality without sacrificing expressive style. Discreet branding means remaining recognizable only to those "in the know". Oliver Peoples is the choice of many Hollywood elite, framing the faces of well known celebrities.

Oliver Peoples is available at *Yonge Vision*, where opticians Michelle Axler and Isaac Abenhaim are committed to combining how well you see with how well you look. Visit *Yonge Vision* to discover your new look today.

Yonge Vision | 1881 Yonge Street | 416.932.9086 • YongeVision.com



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Whether you are looking for a small hostess gift, a simple arrangement, something a little more contemporary, or something for a large scale event, *Bloom the Flower Company* will ensure you get the look you want, and that it fits within your budget.

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.

**Bloom the Flower Company | 1009 Yonge St.
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Photography sessions to fit any budget

Natural light photographer Holly Sisson captures you and your family as you really are—relaxed and at play at the local park, schoolyard, beach, or even your own backyard. She captures your family having fun together—everyone is happy and it shows on their faces.

Schedule a private session or you can host a **photography party**. Invite your friends and their families...every group has a turn with Holly. Photography parties are a perfect way to get fantastic family pictures, without the cost of a private session. Parties must have a minimum of three groups participating, cost \$250/per group, for which they get a 30 minute mini-photo-session and four digital images. The host of the party gets 40% off (\$150 vs. \$250), a 45 minute session and an extra digital image (total of five). For weekend parties add \$25/per group. Visit website for full details.

Give yourself the gift of photography, contact *Holly Sisson Photography* today to book your photo session.

Holly Sisson Photography | HollySissonPhotography.com

A gem in Davisville Village—*Moksa's* fountain of youth

You don't have to live in Hollywood to look like a star—*Moksa Day Spa* introduces **Intra-Cellular Oxygen Facials**.

Using pressurized oxygen infused with hyaluronic acid, vitamins, green tea and aloe, these facials are your natural alternative to a face-lift—with no down time. Plus no use of painful needles to get rid of those fine lines and wrinkles.

A Rejuvenate Infusion Oxygen Facial is soothing, relaxing and suitable for all skin types. Your face will be smooth and clarified, nourished and hydrated. Skin looks rejuvenated, radiant and refreshed.

This treatment gives an instant transformation, making it perfect for all your upcoming big events this summer, especially for weddings (mother of the bride!), and the make-up and photography that is part of the special day.

Moksa's **Summer Skin Rejuvenation** package—to hydrate and plump with instant results—includes an oxygen facial and eyebrow shaping—a total value \$160 for only \$80 (a **50% discount**).

Simply mention you read about this offer in *Just Around the Corner* to redeem *Moksa's* **Summer Skin Rejuvenation** package—because great skin is the perfect summer accessory! Offer expires August 30/11.

Moksa Day Spa also carries fabulous skin care and anti-aging products, including Dr. Renaud's renowned skin care line from France, and dermatologica skin care products from the U.S.

Moksa Day Spa | 320 Millwood Road | 416.486.6572 • MoksaDaySpa.ca



One *Diane Kroe* dress—11 different ways to wear it

Diane Kroe's Travel Collection is made up of unique designs, which combine to create many elegant outfits for day and evening.

The pieces are made from a luxurious jersey blend fabric, which is light weight and comfortable. Easy to care for as each style requires no ironing, making it a favourite for travel.

Each design comes in a variety of colours and prints with seasonal add-ons and accessories. The sizing is graded to flatter most body types and sizes.

Committed to the highest standards in design, fabric and workmanship, The Travel Collection offers innovative style, quality and value. It is designed and manufactured in Toronto, and original to the *Diane Kroe* label.

Pictured is the Resort Dress which can be 11 different ways as a dress, and two ways as a skirt—and it's also reversible, adding even more options.

Visit and shop online at www.dianekroe.com to see more fun and functional *Diane Kroe* designs.

Diane Kroe | DianeKroe.com • dianekroe@rogers.com



Tumi T-Pass bags make air travel easier, now at *Taschen*



Traveling with your laptop just got easier. Tumi T-Pass™ carry-on bags are designed to meet Transportation Security Administrations (TSA) checkpoint requirements, which allows you to pass through security without removing your laptop from the case*. Pictured is the Tumi T-Pass Expandable Laptop Brief, which has been customized with Tumi's "Accent Your Alpha" magenta colour package. A great gift for dad!

There's lots of news at *Taschen's* flagship store, which now has two new shop-in-shop for brands Rimowa and Lacoste. The Lacoste shop-in-shop is the first of its kind in Canada for Lacoste bags and luggage.

Beginning this summer all *Taschen* locations will stock hot Italian brand Piquadro in their stores, a line known for great functionality and design.

Also this summer find new seasonal collections from all *Taschen's* brands, which include 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.

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

(*The TSA reserves the right to ask anyone to remove a Laptop from its case, or re-screen any laptop or case.)

**Taschen | taschen.ca
29 Yorkville Avenue | 416.923.2322
162 Cumberland St. (Renaissance Ct.) | 416.961.3185
65 Yonge St. (at King) | 416.363.3663**

Gem Street is Yorkville's new hidden gem

Gem Street is a gemstone and jewellery boutique with years of trading experience in rare stones from around the world. They have worked with renowned international jewellers, including Neil Lane and David Yurman.

Gem Street owner, Ada Brick, is an artisan using gems and fine metals to craft amazing pieces of jewellery. Offering delicious gems in vibrant colours, in all shapes and sizes. There is a vast selection of gemstones including sapphire, ruby and emerald, and semi-precious stones of aquamarine, tourmaline, peridot and rare cat's eyes, from which to choose.

Using your new stones, *Gem Street* can create new treasures for you, or combine the stones with your existing or heirloom jewellery.

Gem Street offers private design consultations and jewellery parties for you and your friends. Bridal solutions are also a specialty, pearls for all the girls, tiara for the bride.

Gem Street | 98B Scollard Street | 647.995.7057 • 72GemStreet.com



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 check full of everything you need to know to get started! An application can be sent to you by emailing lorraine@speakingofdogs.com.

Visit *Speaking of Dogs* at **Woofstock** on Sat. June 11th & Sun. June 12th in the St. Lawrence Market Place. Get more info at www.woofstock.ca. They also need walkers and pledgers to support them in the Woofstock walkathon. Visit www.speakingofdogs.com to learn more.





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D.O.T. Furniture opens Toronto flagship showroom—*D.O.T. Elite*—in the heart of Rosedale



Resin wicker continues to be the hottest trend and *D.O.T. Elite* has many new and exciting styles and designs including dining sets, conversation sets and sectionals. The newest being the ease and comfort of sling fabric combined with resin wicker for a new contemporary look that can easily transition from outdoors to indoors.

D.O.T. Elite at the corner of Dupont and Davenport in the designer district is the newest addition to *D.O.T. Furniture* family. The large space (three floors) features a large selection of patio furniture in stock, that can be delivered immediately so that you can start enjoying your summer.

Setting outdoor spaces as outdoor rooms is a trend that continues to grow. *D.O.T. Elite's* new collections have so many options to choose from to make your outdoor room a true reflection of your indoor style.

Cast aluminum garden furniture may well be the ideal choice for many backyards. *D.O.T. Elite* has an extensive array of patterns and styles; this furniture is well suited to most anywhere. From intimate bistro sets perfect for balcony, veranda or secluded garden nook, to larger dining suites, cast aluminum is an easy choice for gatherings large or small.

Wood continues to be a classic in outdoor furniture. At home in the city or the cottage, *D.O.T. Elite's* wood furniture collections will complement most backyards and landscaping.



Other popular elements include: **Fire pit tables**—a great way to extend the season even into the cooler evenings as besides warmth, the fire also creates the perfect ambience for outdoor entertaining. **Umbrellas**—are available in a variety of sizes and colours. **A freestanding gazebo** can add that extra sheltered space on the lawn and is perfect for romantic dinners. **Custom cushions** are available to make your backyard feel like a true extension of your home.

Mix n' Match Your Set Your Way Create your own personalized garden & patio. *D.O.T. Elite* makes it fun with all the exciting furniture and accessories.



In addition to outdoor furniture *D.O.T. Elite* carries exclusive designs including Ashley Furniture, Calvin Klein carpets, Vera Wang Mattresses and *D.O.T. Furniture's* own Casazisi Collections.

Bring in this issue of *Just Around the Corner* to *DOT Elite* and receive a free gift.

**D.O.T. Elite | 146 Dupont Street
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