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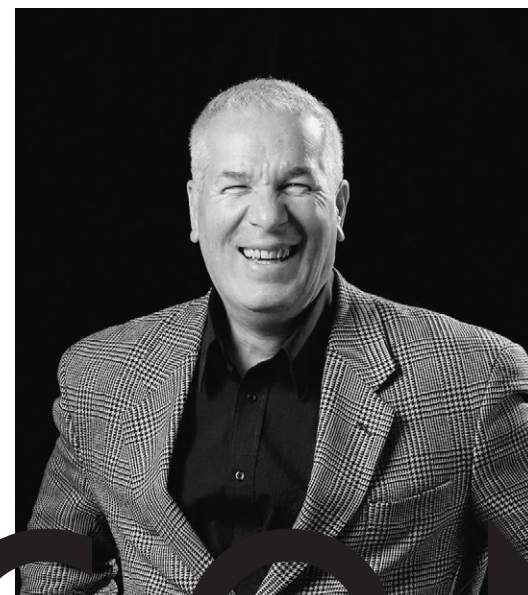
“Community is a place where ideas can be shared, enhanced upon, and flourish.”



MAURICE WAGER

President, Collecdev

As President of Collecdev, Maurice Wager is proudly realizing his vision of building extraordinary communities through transformative architecture, expansive landscapes, unexpected amenities, sustainable engineering, and a respect for arts and culture that promotes a better quality of life. With Westwood Gardens, the company adds another impressive project to its portfolio, bringing a new level of sophisticated elegance to Richmond Hill.



DAVID BUTTERWORTH

Partner, KIRKOR Architects

For almost a decade David Butterworth has been parlaying his understanding of global design trends into impassioned contemporary structures that redefine the skyline. His design for Westwood Gardens eschews the standard “glass box” in favour of a more nuanced envelope that will stand the test of time.

“A community describes a group of people in a specific area that collaborate by sharing ideas, information, and resources. A lively community ‘collectively’ interacts with, and takes pride in, their surroundings for the betterment of their common goals, health, and prosperity.”



MELANDRO QUILATAN & TANIA RICHARDSON

Founders, Tomas Pearce IDC

These dynamic designers have been dubbed “Directors of Possibilities” and with their ambitious visions for Westwood Gardens, it’s easy to see why. Their ability to blend opulence and comfort, sophistication and subtlety, is unmatched in the industry and now available in Richmond Hill.

JACKIE VANDERVELDE

Founder

AUDRIC MONTUNO

Landscape Designer

JOAQUIN SEVILLANO

*Landscape Designer,
Land Art Design*

With more than two decades of landscape design and planning experience, Jackie VanderVelde leads the team at Land Art Design to create visionary and imaginative spaces in the public realm. Inspired by an ancient poem, the team has created a whimsical line up of extraordinary outdoor spaces and amenities at Westwood Gardens.



CONTRIBUTORS

ON COMMUNITY

“Community is a social family where relationships are rooted in mutual respect, shared resources, and common values.”



A FRESH APPROACH TO REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT

BREAKING THE MOULD:

*R*emember the Choose Your Own Adventure books, where you had the chance to make decisions that would determine how the story would end? Well picture this one:

The building designs on your new condominium are almost complete when the electrical engineer comes to you and says that, if you want, you can reduce the ceiling heights by eight inches to gain an additional 12,000 square feet of sellable floor space, and if you take out one of the floor drains in each bathroom, you'll save \$34,000 on your total bill.

To take him up on the idea and make a boat load of money, livability be damned, turn to page 234.

To stick with the existing plans, where residents enjoy abundant space and quality drainage, turn to page 6.

What do you do? Well if you're Maurice Wager, President of Collecdev, you'd choose the second option every day.

Collecdev is part of a new breed of developer, with a bold new approach to design. "We see condos as the new frontier in living," says Wager, "but not as a short-term play. We're interested in what our buildings will represent in 10, 20, 50 years time. How do we ensure we're building communities? What influence will we have for the long term?" It's a fresh perspective in an industry that, as of late, has felt like it's running at breakneck speed, with prices often outpacing quality and considered design. But all of that is set to change with Collecdev.



BREAKING THE MOULD: A FRESH APPROACH TO REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT

To quote their website, "Collecdev is a development company born of the conscious pursuit of good design. We operate at the forefront of innovation, building extraordinary communities through transformative architecture, expansive landscapes, unexpected amenities, sustainable engineering, and a respect for arts and culture that promotes a better quality of life."

It's an ethos helmed by Wager, but supported by every member of the team, from the in-house industry experts to the handpicked partners in architecture and design. When asked about it, Wager sounds like a proud parent, "We work with the brightest minds in the business. We're only as strong as our weakest link, and we're now at a place where there is no weak link."

He's referring of course to the all-star assembly of talent that has come together to create Westwood Gardens, an extraordinary residential development with a premier Yonge Street address in the heart of Richmond Hill. The plans include two contemporary towers, rising from exquisitely landscaped gardens designed by the award-winning firm, Land Art Design. Interiors by Tomas Pearce IDC will complement the striking stone façades, a material chosen not only for its aesthetic elegance, but for its superior technical performance as well. Form and function; it's a common theme for a Collecdev build.



"We're diligent about the process of moving from architectural concepts and sketches on a piece of paper to the final design product - we deliver on what we promise," says Wager. At Westwood Gardens that means higher rated insulation, which helps not only with heat loss, but with noise reduction, an important factor when living in a building where you have neighbours on all four sides. It means a geothermal system for heating and cooling that will result in lower monthly maintenance fees, and savings of over 5 millions litres of water and 70% greenhouse gas emissions each year. It means stone façades that produce a high-performance building envelope designed to withstand the Canadian climate. And it means a site plan that includes onsite parkland dedicated to the city, coupled with privately-owned, publicly-accessible spaces that encourage connection to the community.

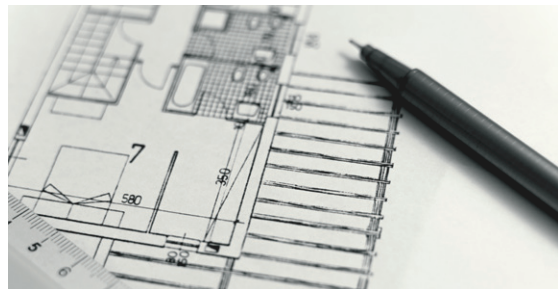
"Fronting Yonge Street, just north of Highway 7, Westwood Gardens is a gateway to Richmond Hill, and we have both an opportunity and a responsibility to shape and recontextualize that connection."

It's a responsibility Collecdev takes seriously. This is a company where development is not only a business, but a way to unite communities and elevate the universal experience of life. Legacy is always front and centre, a long-term view shaped by Wager's previous industry experience. "I've spent the last 10

years building purpose-built rentals for a company that would retain ownership, so my approach to real estate development comes with a long-term mindset. Now that we're building condos, that long-term view is so deeply ingrained that the pride of execution and responsibility for what we leave behind remains a core principle." Every team member shares that commitment to the overall concept and to seeing it realized with flawless execution. But how do they weather the challenges that inevitably arise during the complex development process? "You have to think outside the box. You can't be afraid to break the mould. You have to understand that the value of real estate extends beyond bricks and mortar to the overall experience. With every new project we challenge ourselves to identify best practices and improve upon them; to bridge the gap - sometimes logistical, sometimes financial, sometimes political - and come up with a way to achieve what we want to achieve without sacrificing quality in the process."

Listening to Wager speak, it's clear that this isn't rhetoric. Collecdev is on a mission to give people the opportunity to live a "well-appointed" life, one where every detail, from engineering and sustainability, to amenities and suite design, has been thoughtfully chosen to encourage convenience, connection, and community. And prospective residents can trust that a Collecdev home is a home they can invest in, both literally, but also emotionally, because it's built to stand the test of time.

Im interested in the way that spaces ebb and flow, the way that a building can change the context of the neighbourhood, the way that outdoor design translates indoors and vice versa. Above all, I'm interested in the interaction of people and the environments they occupy, and how to enhance them to create a better quality of life." These are the words of David Butterworth, Partner at KIRKOR Architects, and the lead architect on Westwood Gardens, a bold new condominium project in the heart of Richmond Hill. They're an appropriate sentiment for the ambitious project from Collecdev, a developer who champions an integrated approach. "Innovation requires collaboration," says Maurice Wager, President of Collecdev. The team of award-winning architects and designers shaping Westwood Gardens certainly embody these traits.



"There's so much mutual respect and admiration with this team," says Melandro Quilatan, President and Co-Founder at Tomas Pearce IDC, the firm responsible for the sophisticated interiors, "KIRKOR are terrific architects with great respect for the spaces in which they work, and Land Art Design has just blown us all away with their designs. We're all very talented in our own ways and I think that, as a result, what's coming together is really quite beautiful and unique." What's coming together is two 15-storey towers on Yonge Street, in the heart of Richmond Hill; exquisitely landscaped gardens and a community conservatory that will enhance the neighbourhood and create a better way to live; carefully considered amenities offering residents contemporary comforts and abundant opportunities to gather and entertain; an exceptional location that will allow residents to connect to the city with ease. In essence, an unparalleled combination of luxury and location, borne of collaboration between some of the brightest minds in the business.

The word "luxury" gets tossed around a lot, but when it comes to describing the rich yet restrained designs for Westwood Gardens, no other adjective will do. It begins with the architecture from Butterworth and his team, a black and white envelope that eschews the typical glass box in favour of a mid-century grid pattern along the façade. "It's a design that doesn't shout at you, but has a deeper, more timeless appeal," remarks Joaquin Sevillano, Landscape Designer at Land Art Design, the landscape architecture firm. "We were inspired by the idea of that simple frame and mirrored it in certain elements of the landscape design." Land Art Design founder Jackie VanderVelde weighs in, "It subconsciously creates a sense of unity. It's a family of design instead of disparate parts."

Indeed, nothing about Westwood Gardens feels disparate. Every element, from the architecture to landscape to interior amenities and suites, feels completely integrated. That's no accident. The team, with direction from Collecdev, spent months working together to create maximum synergy.

The layering of textures and subtle colour that Land Art Design employs on the eighth floor rooftop terrace is directly inspired by the sumptuous quality of the interior materials, such as wood and stone, from Tomas Pearce. It's a signature style from the renowned interiors firm. "We play with colours, shade, and texture to make any space, big or small, look sophisticated," says Quilatan. For their part, inspired by the whimsical landscape plans from Land Art Design, the team at Tomas Pearce

says Quilatan. "Both fitness spaces face the central courtyard, providing abundant natural light, and the dining room, kitchen, and bar in the event space on the eighth floor open onto the dramatic outdoor terrace, offering infinite ways to divide the space to entertain groups of any size."

From big parties to small gatherings with friends, anyone who experiences the dramatic eighth floor terrace will be blown away. Not only is it the perfect place to take in the buildings' contemporary architecture and the stunning ground level gardens from above, but the clever terrace design will see a series of intimate nooks and lounge areas come off of a central corridor, providing residents with outdoor havens that feel like you're in your own private backyard. Sculptural plantings and rich textures, colours, and materials offer an exclusive residential feel and complement the interior spaces, expertly fashioned by the team at Tomas Pearce.

MANY HANDS MAKE BETTER WORK

designed the indoor amenities (including a dog spa, an eighth floor event space, a media room, tech lounge, and two kitted out fitness spaces - a weight room and half-court sports court in the East Tower, as well as a cardio room and yoga studio in the West) to engage the outdoors as often as possible. "Land Art Design has some absolutely mad crazy wonderful ideas and whenever we can we've designed spaces that look out onto the exterior,"

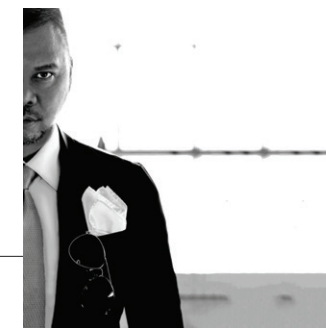


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What else can residents expect indoors? Vibrant spaces like the hotel-inspired lobbies where people can socialize with a backdrop of gallery-white walls, accented with architectural lighting, wood features, and rotating art exhibitions showcasing local art. A state-of-the-art tech lounge where you can relax with your iPhone, iPad or laptop and co-work with neighbours and friends. Sumptuous suite designs with custom kitchens featuring stone countertops, undermount sinks, and high-end integrated appliances (as per plan). Luxe bathrooms with unique vanities and striking feature walls. Quilatan elaborates, "Both the public sphere of the amenity spaces and the private sphere of the individual suites will be engaging places where people are encouraged to relax and linger. Places where they can interact with the community around them whenever and however they desire."

This is the real beauty of Westwood Gardens, elegant and welcoming spaces that no one will ever want to leave. Not just a condominium, but a community: An unparalleled combination of luxury and location, signaling a new era in residential living. "This is something unique," Butterworth exclaims, "it's the result of genuine dedication and an unrelenting commitment to excellence from every member of the team. It's the epitome of the whole being greater than the sum of its parts."



WESTWOOD GARDENS



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SITE PLAN &

AMENITY PLAN



WEST TOWER

EAST TOWER

WEST TOWER

1. Yoga Studio
2. Cardio Fitness Centre
3. Change Room
4. Dog Spa
5. Change Room
6. Party Room
7. Media Lounge
8. Lobby & Concierge

EAST TOWER

9. Sport Court
10. Weight Room
11. Change Rooms
12. Dry Sauna
13. Dog Spa
14. Lobby & Concierge



COURTYARD

An inspiring welcome home

A porte cochere driveway winds through a beautifully landscaped courtyard bringing you to the impressive front entrance of Westwood Gardens. A tranquil urban oasis, the courtyard invites you to spend a moment of quiet reflection amidst flower beds, manicured bushes and planters.

It all started with a pearl. Or more specifically, a poem called *The Pearl*, a medieval ode that tells the story of a man who falls asleep in a garden and dreams of a beautiful river, across which stands his long-lost daughter, his precious pearl.

For creative minds, design inspiration can (and often does) come from unusual sources; in the case of Westwood Gardens, it came in the form of this poem. Suddenly, the team at Toronto-based firm, Land Art Design, had a vision that would see several street level and rooftop spaces of this new condominium community come together in a beguiling tapestry to greet residents and guests.

The richly-layered landscapes recall the beauty of a pearl – authentic, alluring, and everlasting. They begin at street level with the Dreamer’s Court, a bold entry where a patterned courtyard radiates out from a central island full of greenery. Next comes the River Passage, a light-filled meandering path between the East and West towers, and a bridge to the flowering Pearl Garden of the south space. Gleaming metal columns stand proudly around groups of sculptural boulders, mimicking the sparkling surface of a stream, day and night. The boulders gradually give way to smaller “pearls” of beauty like round planters erupting with leafy trees, and stepping stones, layered like delicate oyster shells. This winding southern promenade is the final piece in the trifecta of lushly landscaped ground-level spaces that surround the site and soften the transition between the buildings and the street.



GILDING

THE

Lily

AUDRIC MONTUNO
Landscape Designer

JOAQUIN SEVILLANO
Landscape Designer



JACKIE VANDERVELDE
Founder

“It’s a design that doesn’t shout at you,” says Land Art Design principal, Jackie VanderVelde, “it has a deeper, more timeless appeal; a place of serenity with a bit of heightened drama; refuges and social spaces where you can be comfortable by yourself or as part of a larger group.”

A fitting balance for a space inspired by a jewel equally suited to jeans or black tie. Layered. Timeless. Radiant. By all accounts, Westwood Gardens truly is a classic treasure, top to bottom, inside and out.

On the eighth floor rooftop Land Art Design envisions a space that impresses and welcomes guests in equal measure. Natural stone floors and planters are accented with bronze inlays and blonde wood. Rich textures and colours are layered to create a restrained and sophisticated environment. It’s the kind of detailing you’d expect to find in a single family home, a level of intimacy translated to a condominium public space. There are a number of cozy corners and private nooks, spaces “that make you feel like you’re in your own private backyard,” says Joaquin Sevillano, one of

the project’s principal landscape architects. “One of our primary goals was to create something that retains an exclusive residential feel where you can have your own private niche. The spaces are flexible enough to accommodate small groups or large gatherings in a balance of lounge spaces and more active dining areas and bars.” Just like the pearl, the rooftop terrace is a multi-layered element that exudes elegance. The symmetrical design is divided by a dramatic central corridor that leads to a fireside lounge under a flowering pergola where lush vines trail up stainless steel cables and a group of

geometric chandeliers make the space appear to glow from within. Smaller niches branch off to the east and west, “divided” by structural plantings that define each space through a mix of textures and shades of green.



G OOD SPORT



What's the biggest obstacle between you and your fitness goals? If you're like most people, the answer is time. "I'm too busy." "I can't find time to get to the gym." It's a refrain heard through every season, every hour of the day, every stage in life. But what if you could change that? What if you had access to a state-of-the-art fitness centre, or a multi-use sports court, or a spacious yoga studio, in the comfort of your own home? At Westwood Gardens, you do.

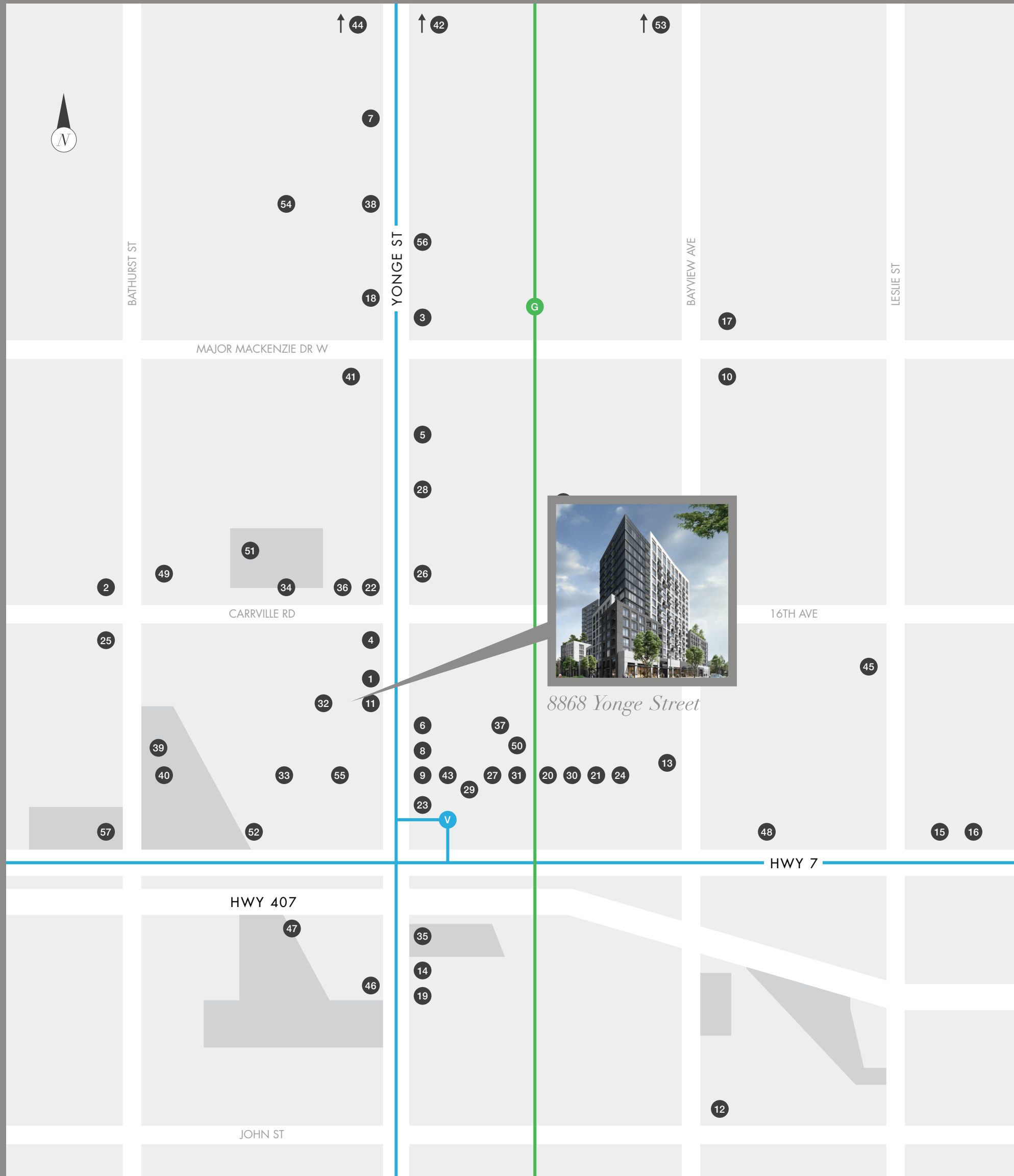
The East Tower is where you can push yourself to your limits in an expertly appointed weight room or on the sports court where you can spike, volley, and shoot hoops before warding off muscle aches in the unisex sauna. In the West Tower, sweat and stretch in the cardio and yoga studio. Both spaces look onto the lush central courtyard, letting in abundant natural light to enhance your endorphin-induced glow.

With such gorgeous spots to sweat it out, it's time to give up your old excuses. Jump on the treadmill. Hit the mat. Play offense on the court. Take control of your health and live the life of your dreams. At Westwood Gardens, nothing is standing in your way.



Welcome to **RICHMOND HILL**





AMENITIES

DINING

1. Abruzzo Pizza
2. Aroma Espresso Bar
3. BB Café
4. Caffe Demetre Richmond Hill
5. CYAN Cafe & Lounge
6. Il Fornello
7. Mexican Amigos
8. Milestones Grill and Bar
9. Montana's BBQ & Bar
10. Restoran Malaysia
11. Rifca's Mediterranean Kitchen
12. Santorini Estiatorio
13. Starbucks
14. Terra Restaurant
15. The Host
16. Touro Churrascaria
17. Touhenboku Ramen
18. Three Coins Open Kitchen
19. Tutto Benne Osteria

SHOPPING

20. Best Buy
21. Canadian Tire
22. Hillcrest Mall
23. Indigo
24. Loblaws
25. Sobeys
26. South Hill Shopping Center
27. Staples Richmond Hill
28. T&T Supermarket
29. The Home Depot
30. Walmart Supercentre
31. Winners

EDUCATION

32. Charles Howitt Public School
33. Langstaff Secondary School
34. Roselawn Public School

RECREATION

35. GoodLife Fitness Centres (Thornhill)
36. GoodLife Fitness Centres (Richmond Hill)
37. Langstaff Community Centre
38. Richmond Hill Centre for the Performing Arts
39. Richmond Hill Country Club
40. Richmond Hill Golf Club
41. Richmond Hill Public Library
42. Richvale Community Centre & Pool
43. SilverCity Richmond Hill
44. Summit Golf & Country Club
45. The OnGolf Club
46. Thornhill Golf & Country Club
47. Uplands Golf & Ski Club
48. Yoga Tree

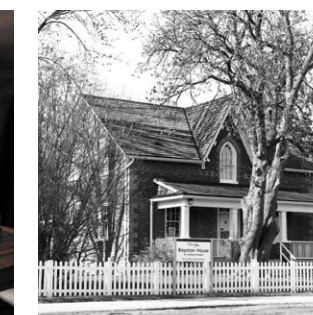
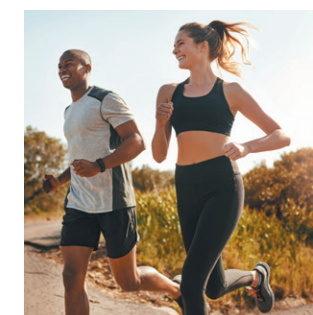
PARK

49. Carrville Park
50. Dr. James Langstaff Community Park
51. Hillcrest Heights Park
52. Hunter's Point Wildlife Park
53. Lake Wilcox Park
54. Mill Pond Park
55. Morgan Boyle Park
56. Ransom Park
57. Sugarbush Heritage Park
58. The David Dunlap Observatory Park

G. GO Train Richmond Hill Station

V. Viva - Richmond Hill Centre

*Map not to scale



Whether you're an adventurer with a love of the great outdoors or a theatre buff eager to be front row centre, Richmond Hill has the perfect spot to suit every taste. Read on and discover the best of the neighbourhood.



A GUIDE TO RICHMOND HILL FOR ABSOLUTELY

EVERYONE



For Art & Culture Lovers... the Richmond Hill Centre for the Performing Arts

This 43,000 square foot venue delivers a full season of world-class shows featuring top Canadian and international artists and sensational live performances (more than 370 events took place in 2016 alone). Highlights from this season include the jaw dropping Zero Gravity Circus, the sounds of Tokyo Police Club and The Tea Party, and a live taping of CBC satirical favourite This Is That.

10268 Yonge Street
rhcentre.ca



For Organic Foodies... Farmers Market

Every Sunday during the summer months, organic foodies and aspiring chefs can head over to Elgin Barrow Arena for a weekly farmers market. At Back to Basics Farms you'll find peppers, plums, and fresh Ontario peaches, bursting with flavour beneath that fuzz. Staite's Honey has just the thing to sweeten the pot. And speaking of sweet, Guilt Free Goodness delivers on its promise, with a heap of gluten-free, dairy-free treats.

43 Church Street South
richmondhill.ca

For Swim & Surf... the Wave Pool

If you're the kind of person who prefers to stay neck deep until your fingers are wrinkled like a prune (or you have little ones that fit this description) then head on over to the Wave Pool. This longtime neighbourhood favourite has received a number of upgrades, including a new 100-foot waterslide and new waves! Lounge on water mats, soak in the shallow swirl pool, warm up in the sauna, or shoot some poolside hoops. With trained lifeguards on deck, you can relax and get ready to catch the wave.

5 Hopkins Street
richmondhill.ca



For Budding Scientists... the David Dunlap Observatory

Did you know the largest optical telescope in Canada is right here in Richmond Hill? The telescope at the David Dunlap Observatory weighs 23 tons (not counting the 2.5 ton mirror!) and rests on a concrete pier that goes two and a half storeys into the ground. Budding scientists and astronomers can come hear talks on astronomy, space science, and science fiction. And on clear nights, you can get up close and personal with the stars.

123 Hillview Drive
theddo.ca



For Outdoor Enthusiasts... the Oak Ridges Moraine

The Oak Ridges Moraine is a haven for nature lovers and outdoor enthusiasts stretching 160 kilometres - from the Niagara Escarpment in the west to the headwaters of the Trent River in the east. Get your fill of nature in the hills, forests, meadows, rivers, lakes, and trails, spotting several rare animal species along the way. On rainy days, take your adventure indoors to the Oak Ridges Community Centre, where you can learn about the Moraine in the Eco Room. Or opt for a rain check on Mother Nature and get a dose of health and wellness in the Centre's six-lane pool, fitness studio, or 7,000 square foot gym.

oakridgesmoraine.org



For Treasure Hunters... 888 Auctions

Canada's premier Asian art auctioneer is a treasure trove of exquisite antiques and beautiful jewels. Antique Chinese silver coins. Vintage Canadian art. Imperial green jade carvings. Sparkling diamonds, emeralds, and gold. This is the place to go for one-of-a-kind finds steeped in history.

15-280 West Beaver Creek Road
888auctions.com



RANSOM PARK

7 mins from Westwood Gardens by car



Ransom Park is located on Yonge Street in the heart of old Richmond Hill, close to a range of amenities. This popular destination has comfortable benches and beautiful landscaping. There is a statue honouring a true Canadian hero, Terry Fox, in the park.

*For Book Worms...
The Richmond Hill Public Library*

The Richmond Hill Public Library is a vibrant community hub where people come together to learn, collaborate, and actively create. Across four locations, the library offers a wide range of physical and digital spaces that nourish curiosity and unleash imagination. The RHPL is keeping pace with emerging trends - in 2016 electronic visits outnumbered in-person visits 1.577 million to 1.302 million. Either way, it's a pretty safe bet that the library is tops, both on and offline.

1 Atkinson Street
rhpl.richmondhill.on.ca



*For Masters of Balance...
Eyer Ropes Challenge Course*

Challenge yourself to reach the top of this high/low ropes course located at the Eyer Homestead. Scale the climbing wall. Do your best tightrope impression. Just don't look down! For birthday parties, a community course, or just an afternoon of fun with a group of friends, this is a great way to test your balancing skills.

1045 Elgin Mills Road East
richmondhill.ca



*For Ladies Who Lunch...
Burr House Tea Room*

If you fancy a proper afternoon tea, then visit the heritage Burr House Tea Room on a Saturday or Sunday afternoon and discover a charming space where you can enjoy a hot pot of tea, fresh scones, and delicious jams surrounded by handmade art.

530 Carrville Road



*For Comedy Fiends...
The Curtain Club*

For more than 60 years, The Curtain Club has provided quality theatre at an affordable price to the people of Richmond Hill. The Royal Canadian Air Farce, broadcast its first few seasons at the theatre in the early 1970s. Today, the Club is just as funny. They produce five live plays each season. A recent run told the story of a New York restaurateur who, on the run from the mob, finds himself in rural Saskatchewan. Comedy gold.

400 Newkirk Road
thecurtainclub.org



*For Sports Aficionados...
the Richmond Hill Golf Club*

This 18-hole, championship golf course is one of Toronto's few remaining public courses, so everyone can join in the fun. Tee off through spring, summer, and fall with four membership levels to choose from. Plus the Richmond Hill Country Club is right next door, offering indoor and outdoor tennis courts, indoor and outdoor swimming pools, racquetball, squash, a fitness centre, spa, restaurant, and more. All the activity you could possibly want, in the heart of Richmond Hill.

8755 Bathurst Street
richmondhillgolf.com

Summit Golf Club

With a rich history spanning more than a century, the Summit is one of the finest golf clubs in Canada and is located in Richmond Hill. Protected by the Oak Ridge's Moraine, this 18-hole renowned course offers a perfect round of golf surrounded by nature's beauty for golfers of all skill levels. When you're done your day on the course visit The Clubhouse for dinner and glass of wine overlooking the picturesque 18th hole.

11901 Yonge Street
golfsummit.com



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CINEPLEX SILVER CITY

7 mins from Westwood Gardens by foot

Enjoy a movie night out with your family! Located at Yonge and Highway 7 in a plaza in the heart of Richmond Hill, this modern multiplex cinema chain screens the latest Hollywood films, plus new independent releases.

GLOBAL PURSUITS: LOCAL RESTAURANTS THAT SATISFY INTERNATIONAL TASTES

Itching to take a mini-holiday but don't have time to get away? What if you could be in Italy for dinner? Or Japan for lunch? With a slate of fabulous neighbourhood restaurants, offering international cuisine, you can satisfy your taste for travel without ever leaving Richmond Hill. Bon appétit!



Mexican Amigos [Mexico]

One night at Mexican Amigos and you'll forget you're on Canadian soil. The colourful hacienda serves up Mexican favourites like quesadillas, fajitas, tacos, tequilas, and more.

10720 Yonge Street
mexicanamigos.com



Touro Churrascaria [Brazil]

This traditional Brazilian-style steakhouse serves up delicious cuts of rotisserie meat prepared by authentic Brazilian Gauchos, and Caipirinhas, Brazil's signature drink.

125 York Boulevard
tourosteakhouse.com



Santorini Estiatorio [Greece]

Craving the crisp white backdrop of the Greek islands? Or, better yet, a creamy slice of feta on your plate? Step into Santorini Estiatorio and you'll find just that.

288 John Street
santorini.ca



Terra Restaurant [Italy]

Terra is a neighbourhood favourite since 1995. Come for the imported mozzarella di buffalo with candied garlic and Himalayan salt. Stay for the tender braised lamb shank and impressive line up of wines. Salute!


8199 Yonge Street
terrarestaurant.ca



BB Café [Iran]

When you think of dessert, saffron isn't the first flavour that comes to mind, but at BB Café you can enjoy a selection of Persian ice creams and teas that will surprise and delight.

10067 Yonge Street
bbcafe.ca



Touhenboku Ramen [Japan]

Owner Zuimei Okuyama is on a mission to bring authentic Japanese soul food to the GTA. Noodles are made fresh daily, with no preservatives or MSG.

1070 Major Mackenzie Drive East
touhenboku.ca



Mr. Congee [China]

Congee has been described as "a warm hug on a cold day," comfort food that delivers a satisfying dish to cure whatever ails.


9712 Yonge Street
mrcongee.com



Restoran Malaysia [Malaysia]

For anyone craving a taste of Southeast Asia that goes beyond the usual Thai, a trip to Restoran Malaysia will not disappoint. Let your taste buds guide you through the exotic menu, one colourful plate at a time.

815 Major Mackenzie Drive East
restoranmalaysia.com



The Host [India]

The Richmond Hill outpost of this fine Indian restaurant serves up all the favourites to an enthusiastic crowd north of the 401. Their secret? Every dish is made without compromise or shortcuts.

670 Highway 7
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Q: Tell us bit about Terra.

A: Terra is a luxury high-dining restaurant with a continental menu. It's the flagship restaurant in our portfolio. We serve a lot of exotic game, fresh fish, some interesting appetizers, and a delicious lineup of pastas. Our oysters are also really popular.

Q: Would you say they're the most popular item on the menu?

A: Well we have also some of the best steaks in the city. Amy Pataki of the Toronto Star wrote a review that said, "The best steak [in Toronto] isn't even at a steakhouse. Terra's inexpressibly tender steak tastes of the grill and perfection."

Q: Wow. Sounds like a pretty great testimonial.

A: Definitely. Our fresh seafood is also unparalleled. The branzino is a staple, as is the fresh trout from Kolapore Springs, up in Collingwood. We work with a fishmonger who's a stickler for quality. The trout comes out of the water in the morning and is on your plate that afternoon. There are a few other items that have been customer favourites for almost 23 years that we could never take off the menu. The seafood spaghetti for example - I think we'd cause a riot if we ever tried to remove it. It's spaghetti aglia olio with grilled Nova Scotia lobster tail, some prawns, scallops, crab, and mussels. People really love that dish.

Q: I'm getting hungry just listening to you describe it! Speaking of the food, tell us a little bit about your chef.

A: Well Stephen Perrin is one of my business partners and our Head Chef. It's myself, Stephen, and our partner Michael DeTommaso that founded the Substance Food Group. We have four different restaurants - Terra, our longest-running venue; Rusty's at Blue in the village at Blue Mountain; Sarpa, a relaxed Italian spot in Oak Ridges; and Francobollo, our latest addition on Avenue Road. Stephen oversees the menus and creative direction of all four.

Q: He sounds like a busy man.

A: He is. He's also a barbeque master. He's actually on his way down to compete in the World Championship Memphis in May BBQ Challenge. He cleans up on the BBQ circuit across North America - he rarely comes home with anything less than third place, but usually first or second. We're serious about our BBQ.



Q: How did Terra come to be?

A: Stephen and I were working with Mark McEwan at North 44, and we had an opportunity to take over this space. We changed the concept to more of a fine-dining experience and we've never looked back.

Q: What do you love about Richmond Hill?

A: It's amazing how much the area has grown in the 23 years since we've been here. We set up before any of these subdivisions or condominiums were around, literally pre-407, and I've loved watching the evolution over time. All the shops and restaurants that are coming into the neighbourhood are really exciting. I can't wait to see what comes next.

SALT OF THE EARTH

Terra has been called the "best luxury restaurant north of Toronto." And with good reason. This elegant eatery serves up innovative cuisine in an exquisite space, with top-notch service and panache. We sat down with owner, and one of the founders of Substance Food Group, Ian Chase, to discover the best dishes on the menu and what he loves about Richmond Hill.





HILLCREST MALL

4 mins from Westwood Gardens by car



Located in the heart of Richmond Hill, Hillcrest Mall has an outstanding collection of lifestyle retail including Sporting Life, Aritzia, Sephora, Pandora, H&M, and Hudson's Bay. Refresh yourself at Second Cup or treat your family at Panera Bread.

A NEW HOME FOR *Luxury*

When Hillcrest Mall first opened its doors in August 1974, the biggest draws were the four anchor tenants (Simpsons, Kmart, Loblaws, and Sears) and four ficus trees imported from Florida and planted in the central square. To be fair, in 1974 that was a lot of action for one shopping centre, but by comparison, the Hillcrest Mall of today has gone from streetwear to haute couture.



HILLCREST MALL



In the last three years Hillcrest has undergone a \$90-million-plus renovation in response to what Brian Marentette, General Manager, refers to as “the renaissance of the small mall,” a trend that has consumers favouring shopping experiences on a more intimate scale, without having to sacrifice convenience or any of their favourite brands. “Hillcrest offers the big brands shoppers want in a comfortable local environment,” says Marentette. It’s community and convenience in one easy place, an ethos that rings true for the Westwood Gardens residents who will enjoy access to a slate of global luxury brands just a four-minute drive from home.

Who’s on deck? In 2016 Hillcrest welcomed a 44,000 square foot Sporting Life and a 21,000 square foot H&M. Sephora, DAVIDs TEA, and Sunglass Hut opened earlier in the year and Aritzia, Rockport, and Pandora arrived in the fall. Perhaps most notably, Hudson’s Bay underwent an unprecedented renovation, tripling in size from 39,000 square feet to a whopping 119,000 square feet of elegant retail space, reflecting the retailer’s new aesthetic standards. The Redevelopment Project will continue into 2018 with new tenants joining the ranks, but already, Hillcrest is delivering on its promise to offer a modern and vibrant shopping experience, with a first rate line up of renowned retailers and services.

– *It’s no wonder that brands are lining up to say #HelloHillcrest*



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RICHMOND HILL'S MOST WANTED:

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OWN



CRISP WHITE SNEAKERS

Classic white kicks are always in style, especially when updated with a modern fit or a sweet and simple bow. Bonus points for keeping them looking clean as new.

THE CANADIAN TUXEDO

Denim on denim regularly appears on runways around the world, but Canada gets the credit for starting this trend. A great pair of jeans or a classic denim shirt will never go out of style. Buy them now, love them forever.

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What's your ace in the sleeve for every outfit, every occasion, every season? Smooth, healthy-looking skin. Keep yours glowing with a high-performance moisturizer that dramatically improves radiance and texture.



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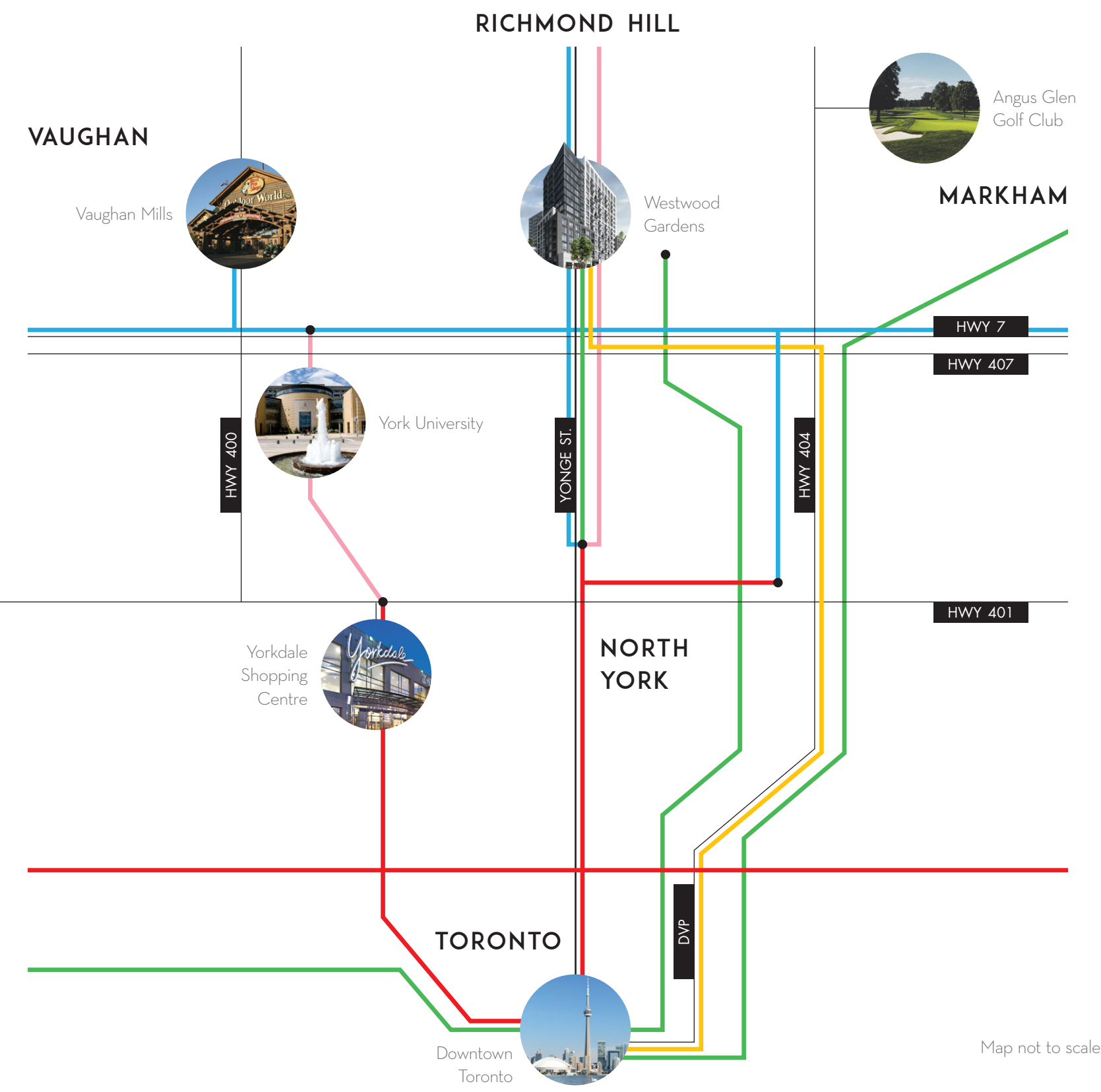
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At Westwood Gardens stay connected to the things that matter most. Enjoy easy access to Richmond Hill's best shops, restaurants, and cafes, plus GO and Viva Transit, the new Yonge Street rapidway, and the 407 and 400-series highways, taking you anywhere you want to go in a flash. The best of all worlds, right outside your door.

Viva Bus - Yonge St / Beresford Dr		0 mins
Viva YRT - Bantry/Scott		4 mins
Viva YRT - Richmond Hill Centre Terminal		10 mins
GO Transit - Richmond Hill Station		8 mins
Highway 407		3 mins
Highway 400		12 mins
Highway 401		15 mins
Richvale Library		3 mins
Hillcrest Mall		4 mins 20 mins
Vaughan Mills Shopping Centre		12 mins
Bay & Bloor		30 mins
The Rogers Centre		30 mins
The Financial District		35 mins

ON MY WAY



Map not to scale

The International Date Line marks the divide between the eastern and western hemispheres; it's the point at which the past, present, and future converge. It's an essential marker of modern life, and if ever Toronto had an equivalent, Yonge Street would be it.

Nowhere in the city is there a street with such significance. Yonge Street is a vibrant hub of residential, commercial, and cultural life. It's the starting point for addresses heading east and west. It's the marker that delineates neighbourhoods and the route that connects north to south. For years Yonge Street was cited as the longest street in the world, and though that label no longer remains, the street continues to be the central axis from the shores of Lake Ontario, to the Upper Great Lakes.

With a prime Yonge Street address, Westwood Gardens is positioned at the epicentre of Richmond Hill. This is a place where life intersects. Traditional homes and contemporary living. Charming community and convenient amenities. Abundant culture and thriving commerce. This is a gateway to Toronto, Vaughan, Markham, Newmarket, and Thornhill; a place where residents can enjoy an extraordinary quality of life, while remaining connected to the city at large. And it's only going to get better. Yonge Street continues to drive the development of Richmond Hill. The area is in the midst of another metamorphosis, one that will see the addition of the Yonge Subway Extension reaching all the way to Richmond Hill Centre, adding yet another option for easy transit, joining the Viva bus, Viva YRT, and GO Transit stops and stations that are literally steps from Westwood Gardens' front door. Residents will be able to step outside into a vibrant streetscape of small shops, cafés, restaurants, and boutiques, then retreat to the new parks and green space that will connect Westwood Gardens to the community, encouraging interaction with neighbours and friends.



AT HEART

From this coveted address, everything will be accessible and anything will be possible. Small town sensibility. Big city amenities. The best of all worlds, keeping you well connected, and eternally Yonge at heart.

DENISE PILLON

Curator, Latner Family Art Collection

"I define community as a group of people sharing a common vision or a form of common social interest."

Denise Pillon has an unusual job. As the official curator for the Latner Family Art Collection she spends her days liaising with artists and galleries to grow the family's collection of (mainly contemporary) art. She has served at the pleasure of three generations of Latners, helping to oversee a collection that includes works by Degas, Duchamp, Giacometti, Kandinsky, Modigliani, Picasso, and Renoir. Albert Latner, the founding patriarch of the Latner Family Collection, believed strongly that art should be accessible to the public. It's an ethos that Collected shares, which is why they connected with Pillon to discuss the importance of public art and its role in building community. Read on for the Q&A.

Q: *What is your official title?*

A: I'm the Curator for the Latner Family Art Collection.

MASTER PIECE

Q: *What does your job entail?*

A: I manage all matters relating to the collection - cataloguing, maintenance, display and installations, loans. I also work with the family on new acquisitions and ensure that all the works within the collection are properly insured.

Q: *What did you study in school?*

A: I earned an Honours BA at University of Toronto, specializing in Art History and Art Studio (drawing, painting, sculpture), and then completed a Master's Degree at University of Toronto in Art History.

Q: *How did you get involved in curating art?*

A: Art has always been my passion, and I focused my studies on the subject early on, throughout high school and university. Later, I was determined to find full time employment in the field. After completing my degrees, I worked as the curator of a gallery, where I developed the exhibition schedule and collaborated with artists, helping them to select the works for their shows. One day I came across a posting for the position with the Latner Family and I immediately recognized an extraordinary opportunity to work with this exceptional collection.

Q: *When curating, do you generally begin with a specific artist? A specific theme? A specific piece?*

A: The Latner Family members have a keen and genuine interest in art. They're partial to particular artists and types of works (currently, their main focus is Contemporary Art, with a special interest on Conceptual Art). I then work within those parameters and bring works to their attention that would enhance the collection.

Q: *What is one of your favourite pieces you've acquired for the family?*

A: Probably the Dan Graham pavilion entitled Slightly Curvaceous that was installed on site at Balliol Park. It was a pleasure to participate in the installation process of the pavilion, which is in fact, a piece of walk-in sculpture that can be seen as both art and functional architecture. It was fascinating to observe how a new dimension of meaning was introduced to the structure and activated by the presence of the viewer. In fact, the viewer becomes an essential element of the pavilion, completing the installation.

Q: *Why is art important to a community?*

A: Art can enhance a community by infusing an environment with creative expression and individuality. It can make a space more dynamic and vibrant. It can enhance a community's experience by engaging community members, igniting dialogue, and activating conversation. It can challenge its audience, by provoking thought and triggering an emotional response. Art in a community provides people with immediate access, beyond the walls of galleries or museums. It can therefore enhance public appreciation and introduce artistic perspectives to a wider audience.



Q: *Do you commission original works or acquire existing works?*

A: So far we've acquired existing works. However, with upcoming projects, it's likely that we'll be commissioning original works for specific projects, designed for a specific environment and space (like Westwood Gardens for example). But we would still encourage and allow opportunity for the artist's creative expression and vision for any piece.



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Elementary School*
105 Don Head Village Boulevard

*Bayview Hill
Elementary School*
81 Strathearn Avenue

*Red Maple
Public School*
155 Red Maple Road

*St. Anthony
Catholic School*
141 Kirk Drive

*Charles Howitt
Public School*
30 Pearson Avenue

*Roselawn
Public School*
422 Carrville Road

*Thornlea
Secondary School*
8075 Bayview Avenue

*Doncrest
Public School*
124 Blackmore Avenue

*Ross Doan
Public School*
101 Weldrick Road West

*Toronto Montessori School
Bayview Campus*
8569 Bayview Avenue

*Jean Vanier
Catholic High School*
10475 Bayview Avenue

*Sixteenth Avenue
Public School*
400 16th Avenue

Toronto Waldorf School
9100 Bathurst Street

UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES

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*Evergreen College
Markham Campus*
8300 Woodbine Avenue

*Seneca College
Markham Campus*
8 The Seneca Way



FOUR SEASONS OF FUN

SPRING

MAY

Doors Open Richmond Hill

When the Ontario Heritage Trust launched Doors Open Ontario in 2002, the event was an instant hit. Today, Richmond Hill participates with nearly 20 featured sites in five zones, giving visitors a glimpse at what's behind the beautiful doors and entrances they pass every day. Discover history, architecture, and culture in heritage buildings, many of which date back a century or more.



SUMMER

JUNE

Farmers Market

On Sunday mornings from June through September, head over to the Richmond Hill Farmers Market for food and fun! Pick up fresh, locally-grown produce, baked goods (including scrumptious canelé and Madeleines), cured meats, and more. Browse handmade handicrafts and treat the kids to face painting and activities under the sun. It's a great way to enjoy summer in the community!



JULY

Canada Day

Every year, thousands of people in Richmond Hill and the GTA flock to Richmond Green to celebrate Canada's birthday with live entertainment, art exhibits, food trucks, beer tents, the children's village, and the area's largest fireworks display!

Ribfest

If you think BBQ sauce is a food group unto itself then you're going to love this three-day event that sees aspiring "ribbers" travel to Richmond Hill from across North America, for a chance to cook and compete for top prize. In addition to the mouth-watering meat, there are live shows, a children's play area, and one of the region's largest midways. Not to mention a beer garden with local craft beers. Come hungry!



Concerts in the Park

When the weather warms up, pack a lawn chair, a blanket, and a picnic and head over to Mill Pond Park for a free series of outdoor concerts. Country, Blues, Rock n' Roll - the lineup has something for everyone. Concerts take place Thursday evenings in July and August.

AUGUST

Moonlight Movies

Nothing says summer like a movie under the stars and, best of all, this outdoor cinema experience is absolutely free! Bring a blanket and your favourite movie snacks and settle in for an evening of fun. Movies start when the sun goes down.



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FALL

SEPTEMBER

Tastes of the Hill

Every fall, Tastes of the Hill celebrates Richmond Hill's diverse, multicultural community. This year, the festival opens with a nod to Canada's 150th featuring a Canuck-inspired schedule of live entertainment and film. The fun continues with a Canadiana Pavilion, live entertainment, and culture, food, fashion, arts and crafts, and sports from around the world.

Culture Days

The last weekend of September brings Culture Days to Richmond Hill. During this 3-day event (celebrated in hundreds of cities and towns across Canada) participants explore cultural awareness in the local community through visual arts, music, dance, theatre, architecture, heritage, film, literature, culinary arts and new media.



OCTOBER

Richmond Hill Studio Tour

For 15 years, the Richmond Hill Studio Tour has given local artists an opportunity to invite the public into their homes and studios for a behind-the-scenes look at some of Canada's most impressive talent. Meet the artists and purchase one-of-a-kind pieces at this two-day event.

FOUR SEASONS OF FUN



NOVEMBER

Santa Claus Parade

Santa Claus doesn't miss much, and he certainly doesn't miss an opportunity to come to Richmond Hill! Every November, visitors and residents bundle up for one special evening when the big man comes to town. Be ready for anything because magic is in the air, and you never know what might take place at the Santa Claus Parade.



WINTER



DECEMBER

First Night

First Night is a family-friendly New Year's Eve celebration. Skip the late night events and bring your family to an evening of excitement and entertainment, filled with activities for young and old.

MARCH

Cultural Summit

The Cultural Summit is a must attend event for all artists, creative industry professionals, cultural organizations, students, volunteers, and culture lovers living or working in Richmond Hill. The evening highlights upcoming initiatives in the city's Cultural Plan and includes performances from local artists. In 2016 the film project Celebrated Stories: Cultural Icons premiered at the Summit and included interviews with Farley Mowat, R.H. Thomson, and Elvis Stojko.





A Rose BY ANY OTHER NAME

*I*talians in the late 18th century dubbed them “limonaia”. Further north on the continent they were known as “orangeries” for their role in protecting the tasty, but delicate fruit. In 19th century England they evolved into “conservatories” and entered a golden age that would see the who’s who of society rub elbows among rare and exotic plants. Today, the tradition continues with The Westwood Gardens Conservatory, a striking modern interpretation in the heart of Richmond Hill. The Conservatory is a fitting addition to “Canada’s Rose Capital,” a town with a long and beautiful history in the greenhouse industry. In the early 1900’s city council set in place measures to encourage business in Richmond Hill.

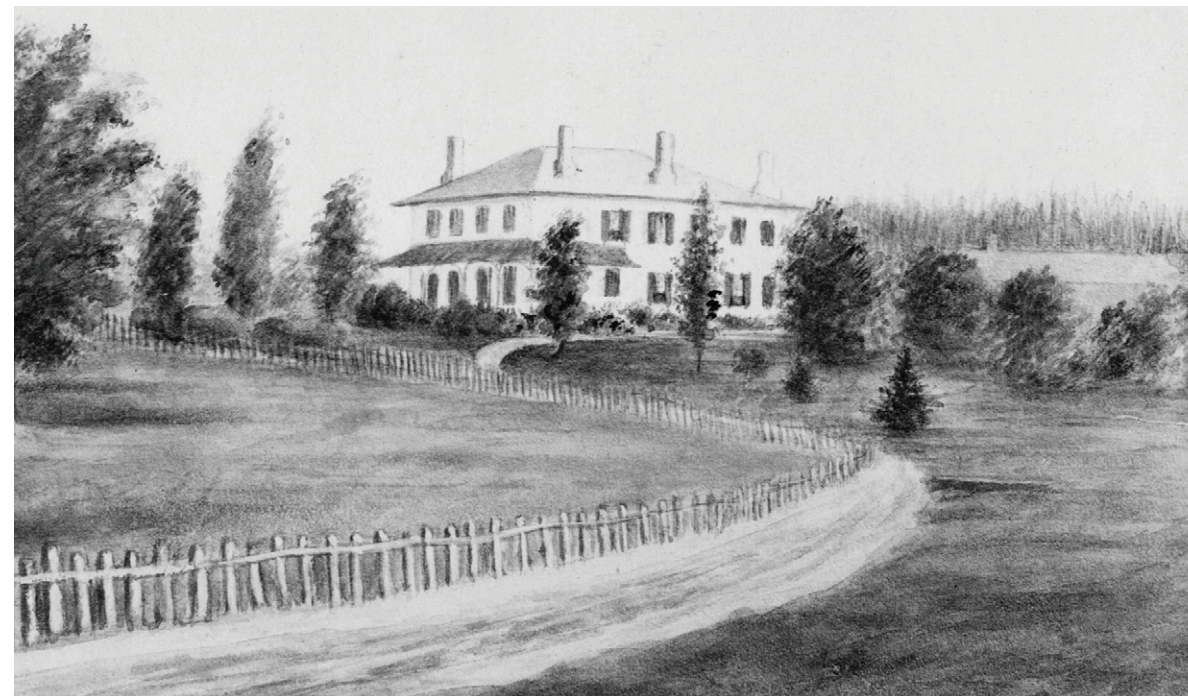
Seizing the opportunity, William Lawrence, then president of the Canadian Horticultural Society, decided to make the town the site of his new greenhouse, a site that would eventually grow to cover almost 100,000 square feet of roses, carnations, chrysanthemums, and other exotic flowers and plants. Lawrence also persuaded fellow Toronto florist John Dunlap to move his business a little further north. Others followed, and with that, the town soon bloomed.

Today Richmond Hill is a thriving centre for all kinds of professionals, from artists to animators, producers to publishers and more. And while the florist business may no longer be the main driver of the town’s economy, green space remains an important element of the community, and will take centre stage in a gleaming new structure on Yonge Street, at Westwood Lane.

The Westwood Gardens Conservatory is a dedication to the town of Richmond Hill. It is a commitment to both the community and the environment, a place where residents and visitors can come learn about nature in a stunning glass structure, open year-round. Drawing inspiration from Thomas Heatherwick’s design for the Bombay Sapphire Distillery in Laverstoke England, the building will take shape as a sculptural glasshouse. Advanced technology will allow maximum sunlight, while maintaining steady temperatures, creating the perfect conditions for an exciting and exotic collection of plant life.

Collecdev’s vision for the space is a place where the community will interact, both with neighbours and with nature. A place where young children can marvel at the bright colours of the flowering plants, where students can learn about the environment, where friends can catch up over a walk through the trees, and where everyone can enjoy a warm embrace during the winter months. This will be a space that gives life, grows life, and celebrates life, in all forms.

Richmond Hill’s motto is “En la Rose Je Fleuris”, French for “Like the Rose, I Flourish,” and with the new Conservatory, Collecdev’s wish is that the community of Richmond Hill will do just that.







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