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## **Quality projects and professional renovators recognized**

Greater Toronto, March 15, 2013 – Remodeled bathrooms, respect for heritage and retrofits for energy efficiency were some of the highlights from this year's Renovation and Custom Home Awards, presented by the Building Industry and Land Development Association on the opening day of the National Home Show.

"Of the 27 finalists for the Renovation and Custom Home Awards this year, it was tough to pick the winners, especially in our newest category for best green renovation," said BILD Vice President of Membership and RenoMark program manager, Helen Batista.

"All of the projects, from the stunning bathroom remodels to the magnificent custom home, are designmagazine quality."

Homeowners looking for some renovation inspiration can see before-and-after photos of the entries from the finalists and winners by visiting BILD's booth, Destination Renovation, at the National Home Show, March 15-24, at the Direct Energy Centre, Exhibition Place.

"Renovations of all types and budgets will be on display at the booth and homeowners will have an opportunity to enjoy a renovation conversation with our professional RenoMark(TM) contractors," Batista added.

In the newly-added category this year, best green renovation, **SevernWoods Construction Inc**. was presented with the inaugural award for rebuilding a 1950s North York home using sustainable features and finishes.

In the Best Renovation Under \$75,000 category, **Golden Bee Homes Inc.** has been given the award for a project that involved remodelling a master bathroom, updating the finishes and creating a relaxing atmosphere.

**Carick Home Improvements** is the winner of the Best Renovation \$75,000-\$150,000 category with a project that a complete main floor remodel of a late 1980s suburban home to open up the space and add more natural light.

**Attard Construction Corp.** is the winner in the Best Renovation \$150,000-\$300,000 award for adding prominence and curb appeal by creating a new front facade on a modest 1960s suburban ranch-style bungalow.

In the Best Renovation \$300,000-\$500,000 category, **Decksterity Carpentry Contracting Ltd.** takes the trophy for transforming the inside and outside of a home from the foundation to the roof – to say facelift would be an understatement.

There are two winners in the Best Renovation more than \$500,000 category. **Lewitt Construction Inc.** brought a heritage home in Scarborough back to life and **SevernWoods Construction Inc.** worked with new homeowners in Toronto's Little Italy neighbourhood to turn a tired 1880s Victorian triplex into a modern single-family home.

**Eurodale Developments** have been awarded the best condominium renovation award for adding function and beauty to a 3,000-square-foot high-rise home where "not a single surface went untouched."

In the very competitive category of Best Custom Home, a home in harmony with its environment that blends a mature landscape and traditional-style home with its neighbourhood built by **Tony Ferkul Construction Management Group** and designed by **David W. Small Designs Inc.** was crowned the best of the best.

The prestigious Renovator of the Year award was bestowed upon **A Lifetime Contractor Ltd.** The company's team, led by owner Sandra Baldwin, has won them the trust and respect of their clients and colleagues, as well as the most coveted of BILD renovation awards. (Please see separate news release about Renovator of the Year.)

Images of the projects mentioned are available upon request.

## About BILD

With more than 1,400 members, BILD, formed through the merger of the Greater Toronto Home Builders' Association and Urban Development Institute/Ontario, is the voice of the land development, home building and professional renovation industry in the Greater GTA. BILD is proudly affiliated with the Ontario and Canadian Home Builders' Associations.