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## VRBA ANNOUNCES 2025 CARE AWARDS FINALISTS

VICTORIA – Finalists for the 2025 Construction Achievements and Renovations of Excellence (CARE) Awards of Vancouver Island were announced today by the Victoria Residential Builders Association (VRBA).

“Congratulations to these CARE Awards Finalists representing Canada’s leaders in west coast home design and construction,” says Russ Barry, Chair of the 2025 CARE Awards. “They have again raised the bar in building excellence for both new homes and renovations.”

Gold winners will be announced Friday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> at the CARE Awards gala in the Crystal Ballroom, Fairmont Empress Hotel.

The public will be asked to vote online for the winner of the annual *People’s Choice Award* at [careawards.ca](http://careawards.ca). The Finalists’ projects will also be on display at Hillside Centre from September 1<sup>st</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup>. Voters are entered to win a stay at [Long Beach Lodge Resort](http://Long Beach Lodge Resort), the 2002 CARE Awards Project of the Year.

Finalists are selected by a panel of industry professionals using criteria such as architectural design, quality workmanship, creative use of space, and energy efficiency. The categories are Residential Planning Design & Construction; Interior Design; Commercial Planning & Design; Customer Service; Sales & Marketing; Special Achievement; and Special Interest.

“The CARE Awards is the premier industry event presenting outstanding projects ranging from family communities to waterfront dream homes,” says Casey Edge, VRBA Executive Director. “Vote for your favourite at [careawards.ca](http://careawards.ca).”

After the awards gala, the Gold winners will be displayed in a full-colour magazine distributed by the Times Colonist and available online at [careawards.ca](http://careawards.ca). VRBA appreciates the support and generosity of the 2025 CARE Awards sponsors:

**Gold:** Built Green Canada; Cantu Bathrooms and Hardware / Phylrich; FortisBC; Hourigan’s Flooring; Independent Contractors and Businesses Association; McLaren Properties Ltd; Slegg Building Materials; Trail Appliances; Travelers Insurance Company of Canada; Victoria Real Estate Board

**Silver:** Centra Windows; Coast Capital; Professional Home Builders Institute; Westeck Windows and Doors

**Media:** CFX/CTV; Times Colonist; Yellow Sheet Construction Data

## **2025 CARE Awards Finalists**

### **Best New Single Family Detached Spec Home under \$1,000,000**

Everise Developments and Edit Design - The Rancher  
Kahlon Developments - The Harmony  
Khataw Development - Echo Ridge  
Little Crow Projects and Spaciz Design Company - Crow's Landing  
Verity Construction - Park's Edge

### **Best Single Family Detached Custom Home under \$1,000,000**

Gary Sandhu Developments - Cappuccino  
Gary Sandhu Developments - Noir Black  
Made to Last Custom Homes - Cowichan Bay Lighthouse  
Rayn Properties and Royalty Projects - Aeris  
Villamar and Zebra Design Group - Haven

### **Best Single Family Detached Home \$1,000,000 - \$1,500,000**

Kahlon Developments - Waters Edge  
Khataw Development - Cliffhaven  
Rayn Properties and Java Designs - Peak + Pine  
Upward Elements Contracting and Thomas Philips Woodworking - Casa Wren

### **Best Single Family Detached Home \$1,500,000 - \$2,000,000**

Rayn Properties and Java Designs - Forest Haven  
Seba Construction, Jenny Martin Design and Thomas Philips Woodworking - Keystone

### **Best Single Family Detached Home \$2,000,000 - \$5,000,000**

Città Group - Poolside Oasis  
Designated Developments, Spaciz Design Company and KB Design - Iron & Ember  
Falcon Heights Contracting - The Perch  
Fayze Contracting and Spaciz Design Company - Valley View  
GT Mann Contracting and South Shore Cabinetry - Ruth's Knoll

### **Best Single Family Detached Home over \$5,000,000**

M. Knight Construction - Westerly  
Terry Johal Developments and Hoyt Design Co. - Shelter Cove

### **Best Multi-Family / Townhouse Project**

Abstract Developments - Greyson Townhomes  
Kahlon Developments - The Row  
Khataw Development - Vista Ridge  
Villamar - Oakhurst

**Best New Garden Suite / Accessory Building**

Frontera Homes - Greenway Studio  
M. Knight Construction - Westerly  
Upward Elements and Thomas Philips Woodworking - Casa Wren  
White Wolf Homes - Cheers

**Best Outdoor Space under \$500,000**

Falcon Heights Contracting - The Perch  
Fayze Contracting - Valley View  
Java Designs and Rayn Properties - Forest Haven  
Upward Elements and Thomas Philips Woodworking - Casa Wren  
White Wolf Homes - The Parkwood Estate

**Best Outdoor Space over \$500,000**

Citta Group - Poolside Oasis  
GT Mann Contracting and South Shore Cabinetry - Ruth's Knoll  
M. Knight Construction - Westerly  
Terry Johal Developments - Shelter Cove

**Best New Home Design under \$1,000,000**

Gary Sandhu Developments - Cappuccino  
Gary Sandhu Developments - Noir Black  
Little Crow Projects and Spaciz Design Company - Crow's Landing

**Best New Home Design \$1,000,000 - \$2,000,000**

Java Designs and Rayn Properties - Forest Haven  
Java Designs and Rayn Properties - Peak + Pine  
Upward Elements and Thomas Philips Woodworking - Casa Wren

**Best New Home Design over \$2,000,000**

GT Mann Contracting and South Shore Cabinetry - Ruth's Knoll  
KB Design, Designated Developments and Spaciz Design Company - Iron & Ember  
M. Knight Construction - Westerly

**Best Innovative Feature under \$100,000**

Fayze Contracting and Spaciz Design Company - Valley View  
Java Designs and Rayn Properties - Forest Haven  
KB Design and Designated Developments - Iron & Ember  
Upward Elements and Thomas Philips Woodworking - Casa Wren  
Villamar - Oakhurst

**Best Innovative Feature over \$100,000**

Falcon Heights Contracting - The Perch  
Frontera Homes - Greenway Studio  
M. Knight Construction - Westerly  
White Wolf Homes - The Parkwood Estate

**Best Renovation under \$500,000**

Green Island Builders - The Seventies Sanctuary  
Rayn Properties - Nova  
Rayn Properties - Skyfall

**Best Renovation \$500,000 - \$1,000,000**

Fayze Contracting and Spaciz Design Company - Shadow Ridge  
James' Joinery - Gill's Treetops  
Philco Construction - Coastal Revival

**Best Renovation over \$1,000,000**

Griffin Properties and Jenny Martin Design - The West Edit  
White Wolf Homes - The Parkwood Estate

**Best Traditional Kitchen under \$100,000**

Everise Developments and Edit Design - The Rancher  
Made to Last Custom Homes - Cowichan Bay Lighthouse  
Villamar and Zebra Design Group - Haven  
White Wolf Homes - The Parkwood Estate

**Best Traditional Kitchen over \$100,000**

Jenny Martin Design, Thomas Philips Woodworking and Seba Construction - Keystone  
Terry Johal Developments and South Shore Cabinetry - Shelter Cove  
True Home Construction - Willowmont

**Best Contemporary Kitchen under \$75,000**

Gary Sandhu Developments - Noir Black  
Little Crow Projects and Spaciz Design Company - Crow's Landing  
Philco Construction - Coastal Revival  
Villamar - Oakhurst

**Best Contemporary Kitchen \$75,000 - \$100,000**

Fayze Contracting and Spaciz Design Company - Shadow Ridge  
Fayze Contracting and Spaciz Design Company - Valley View  
Java Designs and Rayn Properties - Peak + Pine  
Kahlon Developments - Waters Edge  
Upward Elements and Thomas Philips Woodworking - Casa Wren

**Best Contemporary Kitchen \$100,000 - \$200,000**

Falcon Heights Contracting - The Perch  
Green Island Builders - Emerald Palace  
Khataw Development - Echo Ridge

**Best Contemporary Kitchen over \$200,000**

Città Group - Poolside Oasis  
GT Mann Contracting and South Shore Cabinetry - Ruth's Knoll  
Jenny Martin Design and Griffin Properties - The West Edit  
M. Knight Construction - Westerly  
Spaciz Design Company and Designated Developments - Iron & Ember

**Best Bathroom under \$50,000**

Everise Developments and Edit Design - The Rancher  
Gary Sandhu Developments - Noir Black  
Rayn Properties and Royalty Projects - Aeris  
True Home Construction - Willowmont

**Best Bathroom over \$50,000**

Fayze Contracting and Spaciz Design Company - Shadow Ridge  
Green Island Builders - Mist and Meadow  
Green Island Builders - Zen Oasis  
Terry Johal Developments - Shelter Cove

**Best Primary Suite under \$100,000**

Fayze Contracting and Spaciz Design Company - Valley View  
Khataw Development - Echo Ridge  
Upward Elements and Thomas Philips Woodworking - Casa Wren  
Villamar and Zebra Design Group - Haven  
White Wolf Homes - The Parkwood Estate

**Best Primary Suite \$100,000 - \$300,000**

Java Designs and Rayn Properties - Forest Haven  
Jenny Martin Design and Griffin Properties - The West Edit  
Jenny Martin Design, Seba Construction and Thomas Philips Woodworking - Keystone  
Spaciz Design Company and Designated Developments - Iron & Ember

**Best Primary Suite over \$300,000**

Città Group - Poolside Oasis  
Falcon Heights Contracting - The Perch  
GT Mann Contracting and South Shore Cabinetry - Ruth's Knoll  
M. Knight Construction - Westerly

**Best Interior - Homes under \$1,000,000**

Gary Sandhu Developments - Cappuccino  
Gary Sandhu Developments - Noir Black  
Green Island Builders - The Seventies Sanctuary  
Rayn Properties - Skyfall  
Villamar and Zebra Design Group - Haven

**Best Interior - Homes \$1,000,000 - \$2,000,000**

Java Designs and Rayn Properties - Forest Haven  
Java Designs and Rayn Properties - Peak + Pine  
Jenny Martin Design, Seba Construction and Thomas Philips Woodworking - Keystone

**Best Interior - Homes \$2,000,000 - \$3,000,000**

Fayze Contracting and Spaciz Design Company - Valley View  
Griffin Properties and Jenny Martin Design - The West Edit  
GT Mann Contracting and South Shore Cabinetry - Ruth's Knoll  
Spaciz Design Company and Designated Developments - Iron & Ember

**Best Interior - Homes over \$3,000,000**

Città Group - Poolside Oasis  
Falcon Heights Contracting - The Perch  
M. Knight Construction - Westerly  
Terry Johal Developments - Shelter Cove  
White Wolf Homes - The Parkwood Estate

**Best Custom Millwork under \$100,000**

Fayze Contracting and Spaciz Design Company - Valley View  
Gary Sandhu Developments - Antique  
Gary Sandhu Developments - Cappuccino  
Green Island Builders - Emerald Palace  
Villamar - Oakhurst

**Best Custom Millwork \$100,000 - \$300,000**

Everise Developments and Edit Design - The Rancher  
Spaciz Design Company and Designated Developments - Iron & Ember  
Thomas Philips Woodworking and Jenny Martin Design - Keystone  
Upward Elements and Thomas Philips Woodworking - Casa Wren  
White Wolf Homes - The Parkwood Estate

**Best Custom Millwork over \$300,000**

Green Island Builders and Harbour City Kitchens - The Seventies Sanctuary  
Griffin Properties and Jenny Martin Design - The West Edit  
GT Mann Contracting and South Shore Cabinetry - Ruth's Knoll  
M. Knight Construction - Westerly  
Terry Johal Developments and South Shore Cabinetry - Shelter Cove

**Best Commercial Space**

Philco Construction - Tidal Refresh  
Verity Construction - Plexxis Software Head Office

**Best Condominium Project / Mixed-Use Development**

Pacific Viking Group Properties - Winster Court  
Verity Construction - The Ridge at Vista Point

**Best Customer Service - Builder**

Abstract Developments  
Verity Construction

**Best Customer Service – Supplier / Trade**

HD Horne Sprayfoam & Insulation  
K2 Stone

**Best Sales Centre or Show Home/Suite**

Abstract Developments - Greyson Townhomes  
Formwell Homes - Woodrow Sales Centre  
K2 Stone - K2 Stone

**Best Website**

Abstract Developments - Abstract Developments  
Christopher Developments - Christopher Developments  
K2 Stone - K2 Stone  
Pacific Viking Group Properties - Winster Court  
Villamar - Villamar

**Best Overall Marketing Campaign**

Abstract Developments - Greyson Townhomes  
HD Horne Sprayfoam & Insulation - HD Horne Sprayfoam & Insulation

**Best Heritage Project**

Città Group - Bessborough  
James' Joinery - Aoiefe's Tir

**Award for Environmental Achievement**

Falcon Heights Contracting - The Perch  
Java Designs and Rayn Properties - Forest Haven

**Green Builder of the Year - Small Volume**

Falcon Heights Contracting  
Green Island Builders  
Khataw Development  
True Home Construction  
Villamar

**Green Builder of the Year - Large Volume**

Abstract Developments  
Pacific Viking Group Properties  
Verity Construction

**Project of the Year**

Abstract Developments - Greyson Townhomes

Designated Developments, Spaciz Design Company and KB Design - Iron & Ember

Falcon Heights Contracting - The Perch

Griffin Properties and Jenny Martin Design - The West Edit

GT Mann Contracting and South Shore Cabinetry - Ruth's Knoll

M. Knight Construction - Westerly

Rayn Properties and Java Designs - Forest Haven

Terry Johal Developments and Hoyt Design - Shelter Cove

Upward Elements Contracting and Thomas Philips Woodworking - Casa Wren

White Wolf Homes - The Parkwood Estate