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Celebrity Designer Karen Sealy Has Pulled Off the Ultimate Surprise Reno for her Parents – A Cozy New Retreat for Two!

Toronto — Celebrity Designer and Regular Décor Expert on the top-rated, national TV show Cityline; Host and Designer of HGTV Summer Home (s1) and owner of Sealy Design Inc., Karen Sealy has accomplished the ultimate challenge of completely gutting and renovating her parents' home in 2 months, without them discovering the big surprise!

Karen's parent have been travelling and living in an RV for over 15 years. So everyone was surprised when, just before heading out on a pre-arranged trip, they announced they had bought a bungalow and asked Karen to help them renovate it. This is when Karen had the idea to surprise them by completing the overhaul while they were away. "Living in an RV for so long meant that they didn't have even one piece of furniture. And so absolutely every little detail had to be designed and selected, from the flooring to the throw pillows." For a long time, Karen has dreamt of doing something like this for her parents who have always supported her love for interior design, and here was the perfect opportunity.

Cityline was there to capture their faces as they crossed the threshold to their new abode. They were absolutely stunned, and as Sharon Sealy put it, felt like they had "won the lottery" as they took in all the furniture, the fireplace, custom drapery and brand new full sized kitchen…a big step up from life on the road. Since the reveal, Karen's parents had to come to Toronto for the Cityline studio filming and despite the icy roads, they insisted on driving all the way back to Kingston – they just couldn't bring themselves to miss one night in their new haven! Karen shares, "My dad tells me that my mom keeps getting up in the middle of the night to rearrange all the kitchen cabinets. They have been having so much fun picking out things to make the space their own; place mats, cutlery, you name it! It's like their first house again!" And there has recently even been talk of renovating the basement…but for now, without further delay, Karen and the Sealy Team are proud to present what we have all been waiting for: the before and after shots!

Foyer

Before

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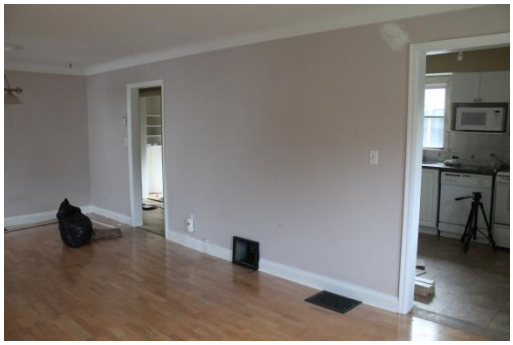
Interior Design Solutions

Great Room

Living Room

Before



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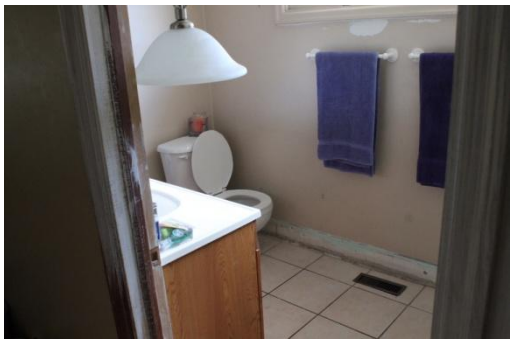
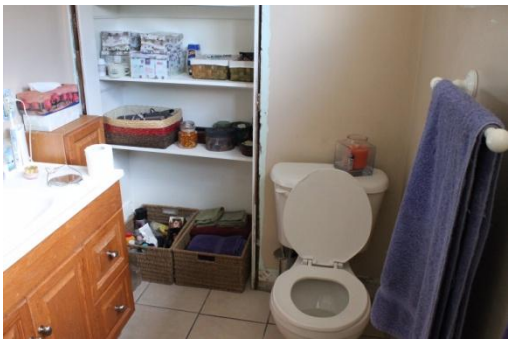
Main Bathroom

Before





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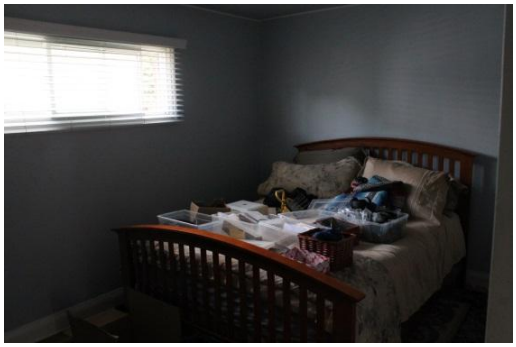
Bedroom



Before

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Kitchen

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Powder Room

Laundry

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Den

After Images – Marco Sobrevinas

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- Sealy Design's Website, YouTube, HOUZZ, Facebook, Twitter & Instagram
- Print magazines and newspapers- TBD

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Céragrès | Kitchen backsplash
Whirlpool | All kitchen & laundry appliances
Haven Home ClimateCare | Fireplace
12 Oaks Flooring | Hardwood throughout
Van Gogh Designs | Tufted sofa in living room
Bouclair | Accessories
Emtek | Door & cabinet hardware
Benjamin Moore | Paint
Renin Corp | Sliding barn door in the den
MAAX |All-in-one shower walls and base
Sleep Country | Master bed frame & mattress
Torlys | Bathroom flooring (Evertile)
Kindred | Kitchen sink
Grohe | Kitchen faucet, bathroom faucets & fixtures
Marco Sobrevinas | Photography
DJL Kitchens | Kitchen cabinets & quartz countertop
Renaissance Interiors | Sewing workroom in King City

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