

Home Inspections 4U Wins HomeStars Best of Award

RICHMOND HILL, February 28, 2017: Home Inspections 4U is pleased to announce that it has been honoured with a **HomeStars Best of 2017 Award** celebrating its commitment to quality work and service. The awards event took place in Toronto as well as four other major cities across Canada.

"To be recognized with a HomeStars Best of Award is a great accomplishment and we are proud of this honour," says Yuri Olhovsky CMI, CEA, NHI, RASDT, Home Inspections 4U. "We always strive to improve our service and hope to win this award again in the years to come."

Best of Award winners are the top performers on the [HomeStars](#), ranging from independent contractors to larger retailers. Winners are selected using several criteria including homeowner reviews as well as their responsiveness to homeowners.

"To win one of these awards is really a testament to a contractor's quality of work," says Nancy Peterson, Founder and CEO of HomeStars. "We like to think of them as our own People's Choice Awards since they are based on the reviews written by homeowners."

About Home Inspections 4U

Home Inspections 4U conducts a thorough and detailed home inspection and provides a comprehensive narrative report.

At Home Inspections 4U we offer you various types of inspections to protect you from getting into the money pit. Your home inspection will be conducted by a Certified Master Inspector and a National Home Inspector with engineering background and more than 10 years of full time experience in the home inspection field.

You can find a variety of home inspectors and a wide array of prices for their services. Some even offer you discounts or have "monthly specials". Much like in a Wall Mart. But you are not buying a pair of underwear. You are hiring a professional consultant to give you an advice on a lifetime investment. Will you trust the cheapest guy in town with the biggest investment in your life?

Remember: "You always get what you paid for".

Tips for selecting a good home inspector from the article in Toronto Star:

Do your homework: Ask savvy people for recommendations and settle on an inspector before getting caught up in the stress of buying or selling. Inspectors should have serious experience in the building trades, errors and omissions insurance, and, at the very least, Registered Home Inspector, National Certificate Holder or Certified Master Inspector credentials.

It's no warranty: Some have sued successfully when inspectors have been wildly inaccurate about a home's structure and mechanicals, and the costs of necessary repairs. But inspectors can't break holes in walls or peel shingles and siding from a house. A report is an analysis based

on a largely visual examination. Read the contract carefully.

Who works for whom? Buyers should be wary of reports done for vendors and vice-versa. Inspectors should be impartial third parties, but it's an unregulated business. Some may be willing to sacrifice objectivity to help a sale. Some may have inappropriately close relationships with real-estate agents.

The big stuff: Demand a clear statement on the foundation and structural integrity and estimates of repair costs. Attic mould, signs of basement leakage, substandard wiring or insulation materials such as vermiculite, asbestos and urea formaldehyde can disqualify you from a mortgage or insurance. How long till the house needs a new roof, furnace or windows? Find out what costs to deduct from an offer.

Seller beware: Having your home inspected before listing it can head off untimely surprises. It can let you be up front with buyers or enable you to seek good contractors to get the work done at a fair price. Pre-listing inspections can also help vendors rebut dubious claims from buyers' inspectors.

The bottom line: A typical home should take two to three hours to inspect, covering 400 checks, and cost in the \$400 to \$600 range. Be leery of an inspector who offers discounts or to fix problems he finds.

Only those inspectors, who charge a professional fee, do a real professional job. Everyone else is looking around.

We guarantee your complete satisfaction or your money back.

See [Home Inspections 4U's HomeStars Profile](#) for more information.

About HomeStars

HomeStars is a free service helping homeowners find reputable renovators, repairmen and retailers through its database of 2 million companies and hundreds of thousands of reviews. Homeowners write reviews based on their home improvement experiences - both good and bad - helping build a collective knowledge base that is invaluable in helping homeowners make better hiring decisions. A trusted resource since 2006, HomeStars has grown to be the leading online community of homeowners and home improvement companies in Canada. To learn more, visit <https://www.homestars.com> or check them out on [Facebook](#) or [Twitter](#).