

**2017 Regional Event - Vaughan
September 18 & 19, 2017
Hilton Garden Inn – Vaughan, Ontario**

Event Program

Monday September 18

10:30 AM Registration/Welcome Desk Open
(Hilton Garden Inn, 3201 Highway 7 West, Vaughan, Room – Toscana A)

11:45 AM Hosted Lunch (Hilton Garden Inn, Room - Toscana A)
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12:15 PM Opening Session and CKCA Welcome



Speaker: Peter Mate, President and Co-owner, Planit Canada
Topic: A Sustainable Workforce

Are you ready to change your view on HR? Are you challenged by other companies poaching your employees? Do you struggle to find skilled labour? There's some great things happening in the HR world and companies that don't change their view on HR will have no chance of attracting and retaining the best of the workforce. Learn what you can do to have a sustainable workforce.

1:15 PM  **Plant tour - *Travel is by private vehicle***
Depart for Lucvaa Kitchens

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1.30 PM Tour of Lucvaa Kitchens *(31 Racine Rd, Etobicoke)*
Design and building modern, contemporary and traditional kitchens. With a team of experienced craftsmen they have produced more than 3,000 high end kitchens in the last eight years. Quality and service is their top priority.

3.00 PM Depart Lucvaa

3.15 PM Distinctive Appliance – Reception, Mini-Education Sessions and Tour
(190 Castlefield Ave., Toronto)



We're blending the best of all worlds by taking you to Distinctive Appliances located at SOFA, Canada's premier one-stop design centre. The afternoon is comprised of learning modules (topics listed on next page), a networking reception and the opportunity to tour 200,000 sq. ft. of trade only space with more than 38 different design and manufacturing vendors. Refreshments will be served.

4:00 – 4:20 PM (sessions repeat at 4:20 PM – 4:40 PM)

Topics:

1. **Ventilation** – Distinctive Appliances are certified CEU trainers in ventilation. Learn why ventilation should be the first appliance your client selects, get updated on the latest technologies and trends.
2. **Outdoor kitchens** –with an upsurge in outdoor living space that reflects the comforts of indoor, discuss what is new in this expanding market.
3. **Budget and European Brands** for minimalist kitchen design can go hand-in-hand, see brands you've not seen before, learn what's available and costs.
4. **Instagram** –This is a real business tool that generates leads and increase sales, learn from experts, Lindsay Holstein, Director of Marketing for SOFA and Jeannie Sasaki, Director of Marketing at Distinctive Appliance who will show you how to get the most from this easy to use, low cost tool.

5.45PM Departure

7.00PM **Dinner - Dave and Busters** *(5-6 minute walk from hotel - 1 km away, 120 Interchange Way, Vaughan)*

After a busy day it's time to relax and enjoy a delicious dinner in a fun, unique space that offers a variety of activities. This event will suit you whether you just want good conversation and dinner or if you want to explore some of the games available. We've now added a game of billiards which will be available at the end of dinner. Walkable from the host hotel, Hilton Garden Inn, come enjoy great food and great conversation.

Thank you to our sponsor of dinner wine:



Thank you to our dinner sponsors:



Thank you to our billiards sponsor:




Tuesday September 19

6:45AM **Hosted Breakfast** (*Hilton Garden Inn, 3201 Highway 7 West, Vaughan, Room – Toscana A*)

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7:00AM  **Speaker: John Povhe, Chief Financial Officer, Superior Cabinets, Saskatchewan**

Topic: The Value of Lean: Superior's Journey

How resilient is your business to the pressures of debt, waste, inefficiencies, long lead time to get cabinets to customer, quality problems with a percentage of revenue going to service costs to complete jobs, layoff or lots of fixed costs? If any of these sound familiar this is a session not to miss. Learn from Superior Cabinets journey to make a cultural shift and develop an action for continuous improvement. This is a manufacturing business that speaks from experience. Practical tips and real situations will be discussed. You will walk away inspired knowing you can effect change in your own company that will help you prosper.

8:30AM **Plant Tours** -*Travel is by private vehicle*

8:45 AM  **Tour of Art for Everyday Inc., (420 Canarctic Drive, Toronto)**

A North American producer of architectural woodcarvings and woodturnings. Art for Everyday uses nine core species of wood, predominately maple, cherry and alder. The maple comes from environmentally responsible, managed forests in North America. Exotic woods are imported for certain requests. Art for Everyday was founded in 1998.

10:00 AM **Depart for next Plant Tour** - *Travel is by private vehicle*

10:15 AM  **Doorland Group (221 Creditview Road, Woodbridge)**

Established in 1979, The Doorland Group has a team of 125 employees who work in an 110,000 sq. ft. facility that houses some of the industry's most advanced door and moulding manufacturing equipment. Creating custom wood stile and rail doors, MDF fire rated doors and wood mouldings, this tour is an inspiring visit to a company that is home to unrivalled wood craftsmanship.

11:30 AM Depart for hotel lunch

12:30 PM Hosted Lunch at hotel (*Hilton Garden Inn, 3201 Highway 7 West, Vaughan, Room – Toscana A*)

Thank you to our Lunch Sponsor: Cowan Insurance Group

1:00 PM



Speakers: Dan Savvidis, Cowan Insurance Group and Scott Haywood, RMS Risk Management Services

Topic: Fire Inspection and Safety – Avoid the Risk

Discuss ways of identifying, assessing and prioritizing risk associated with wood manufacturing. Real life examples of various losses and their impact to operations will be discussed in addition to ways of safeguarding your business to mitigate risk. Topics of discussion will be fire avoidance, fire suppression systems, housekeeping best practices.

2:00 PM



Manufacturer's Roundtable (Manufacturers only)

Attention manufacturers! This is your chance to gather informally and talk about any issues, opportunities and challenges you have with your business. A chance to get down to the nitty gritty of stuff! Feel comfortable sharing your thoughts, ask questions with others who are in the business too. It's a free flow conversation behind closed doors. This is YOUR session. Those who've attended before have said this is a critical and valuable part of the entire program.

3:00 PM Program Ends – Thank you for attending!

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