

## Vaughan Citizen Readers Choice Nomination Award rules

- 1. Agreement:** These rules govern the “**Readers Choice Awards Contest**”. No purchase is necessary to enter the Contest. The act of entering the Contest constitutes acceptance of the Contest rules and the decisions of the Contest judges, which decisions shall be final and binding upon all entrants. By entering, winner agrees that Metroland Media Group Ltd., its affiliates, partners, advertising and promotion agencies and suppliers and its officers, directors, employees, representatives and agents shall have no liability for, and shall be held harmless from and against any damage, loss or injury that may arise in whole or in part, directly or indirectly, from the acceptance, possession, use or misuse of the prize (and any travel related thereto) or participation in this Contest.
- 2. Sponsor:** The Contest sponsor is The Vaughan Citizen, a publication of Metroland Media Group Ltd. (“Contest Sponsor”)
- 3. Eligibility:** The Contest is open to all residents of Ontario who are 18 years of age or older as of the first day of the Contest Period, except for employees, their immediate families and anyone living with any employee of the Sponsor or its corporate affiliates, advertising or promotional agencies. Limit of one entry per household. Incomplete or illegible entries, bulk drop offs, photocopies, scanned copies, facsimiles or other mechanically or electronically reproduced entries will not be accepted and will be disqualified.
- 4. Contest:** To nominate or enter the Contest, access the Contest website at [www.yorkregion.com](http://www.yorkregion.com), read these Contest rules, and follow the instructions to enter during the Contest period (a valid email address will be required). You can also enter the contest by filling out the ballot found in The Vaughan Citizen and mailing to or dropping off the ballot at The Vaughan Citizen 8611 Weston Road, Unit 29, Vaughan, Ontario, L4L 9P1. Each online or paper entry must nominate a total of at least 25 different businesses (of your choice) located in The City of Vaughan, for the “Readers’ Choice Awards”. Listed categories can be found in The Vaughan Citizen or online at [www.yorkregion.com](http://www.yorkregion.com). Your ballot will be disqualified if less than 25 nominations are submitted. The Contest begins November 6, 2014 at 12:00 a.m. and ends on December 5, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. The potential winner will be chosen by random draw, which will take place at 8611 Weston Road, unit 29, Vaughan, Ontario by or before December 19, 2014 at 12:00 p.m. (noon). The potential winner will be contacted by telephone or email by a representative of the Sponsor, and must reply within 48 hours to maintain eligibility. If the potential winner cannot be contacted within this time period or fails to respond to any attempted contact, such potential winner will be disqualified, his/her entry will be declared null and void and the Sponsor reserves the right, in its sole and absolute discretion, to select at random another eligible entry, in which event these provisions shall apply to such other eligible entry. In order to be eligible to win, the potential winner must correctly answer a mathematical skill-testing question, without assistance or mechanical or electronic aid.
- 5. Prize:** Three (3) winners will receive a gift certificate (retail value of \$75), which can be redeemed at Cineplex Odeon theatres. Winner must come to 8611 Weston Road, Unit 29, Vaughan, Ontario to collect the prize won. If the winner does not claim the prize within five (5) days of notification, the next eligible entry selected by random draw will

be contacted and the first selected entrant will have no further claim to the prize. Sponsor will not mail or courier the prize and is not responsible for unclaimed prizes.

6. **Release:** Prior to receiving the prize, the winner will be required to show valid photo ID and to sign a declaration of eligibility and release form releasing the Sponsor and its related parties from any and all liability in connection with the Contest and/or the prize, confirming compliance with the rules and consenting to the use of his or her name and photograph, without further compensation, in any publicity carried out by the Sponsor and/or its advertising and promotional agencies. The signed form must be received by Sponsor within five (5) days of notification or the prize may be forfeited and awarded to an alternate entrant.
7. **Privacy:** We use your personal contact information to administer this Contest, including contacting, announcing and promoting prizewinners. Winner agrees that Sponsor may use winner's name, picture, portrait, likeness, and voice for advertising and promotional purposes without compensation (whether in print, broadcast or electronic media). In addition, we may use this information to send you offers or information from us, our affiliates and from selected sponsors or advertisers ("Marketing Offers"). If you do not wish to receive Marketing Offers, you may opt-out at any time by: following the instructions at the bottom of any email Marketing Offer you receive or following the instructions set out in Sponsor's privacy policy at <http://www.yorkregion.com>. The Contest is run in compliance with the Vaughan Citizen privacy code, which may be found in full at [www.yorkregion.com](http://www.yorkregion.com).
8. **Banning:** The Sponsor may, in its sole discretion, prohibit any person from entering the Contest whom it believes to be abusing the rules. Such abuse includes entering false information and entering more than once.
9. **Other:** Odds of winning depend on the number of eligible entries received. This Contest is governed by the laws of Ontario and the laws of Canada applicable therein and is void where prohibited by law. The Sponsor reserves the right to cancel or modify the Contest or the Contest rules at any time without notice. All prizes must be accepted as awarded, are non-transferable and are not convertible to cash. The Sponsor reserves the right to substitute any prize or portion of the prize with a prize of equal or greater value. All prizes are awarded as-is and no warranties or guarantees are implied or expressed. Sponsor is not liable for any lost, late, misdirected or stolen entries or inability to process entries, or any errors, damage or negligence that may arise in connection with this Contest, including technical failures on the website or Contest software, viruses, website disruptions, malfunctions or down-time, human error or property damage incurred by any Contest entrant. Sponsor is not responsible for any errors or omissions in printing or advertising this Contest. Use of any automated system including robotic or form filling software to enter or participate in this Contest is prohibited and will result in disqualification of all entries by anyone using such assistance. If a dispute arises regarding who submitted an online entry, the entry will be deemed to be submitted by the authorized account holder of the email address provided at time of entry. Authorized account holder is the natural person who is assigned to an email address by an Internet access provider, online service provider, or other organization responsible for assigning email addresses for the domain associated with the submitted email address.

CONFIRMATION & RELEASE

TO: **The Vaughan Citizen, a publication of Metroland Media Group Ltd.**

RE: **Readers Choice Awards Contest**

For good and valuable consideration, the undersigned:

1. Agrees that he/she has read and understands the contest rules and regulations and acknowledges compliance with all contest rules and regulations.
2. Authorizes the Sponsor to use the undersigned's name, picture, portrait, likeness, and statements for advertising and promotional purposes, in any and all forms of media, without further compensation.
3. Agrees that the item won fully meets the description appearing in the contest's promotional advertisements and displays.
4. Agrees that neither the undersigned, nor any member of his/her immediate family nor any person living in his/her household, is now or was at the time of my entering this contest, an employee, officer or director of any participating companies, sponsors, their parent companies, affiliates, subsidiaries, advertising, promotion and fulfillment agencies, including without limitation **The Vaughan Citizen**.
5. Releases and forever discharges Sponsor and its affiliates and related companies, employees, directors, officers, agents and assigns from and against any and all actions, claims, demands or liabilities whatsoever, including but not limited to claims based on negligence, breach of contract and fundamental breach and liability for physical injury, death or property damages which the undersigned or any of his/her administrators, heirs, successors or assigns might have or could have, by reason of or arising out of the undersigned's participation in this contest or in connection with the acceptance or exercise by the undersigned of the prize awarded.
6. Agrees to hold Sponsor and its affiliates and related companies, employees, directors, officers, agents and assigns harmless against any injury, accident, loss or damages resulting from the undersigned's participation in the contest or acceptance or exercise of the prize awarded.

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