

Modern *Visions*

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WHEN POTENTIAL HOMEBUYERS FIRST WALK into an older home it's often hard to see past the dated décor and other off-putting aesthetics. But, in this case the clients knew exactly what they wanted to do with this 1980s-style bungalow and exactly who could change the look of the home into something they loved.

Parkhill Homes & Renovations was brought on to modernize the 2,500-square-foot home that was, while beautiful three decades ago, featured harvest gold tile flooring, country-style oak cabinets, and track lighting. The homeowners not only wanted the space to reflect their personal style but also highlight the beauty and warmth of the gorgeous property, the selling feature that drew the family to the house

in the first place.

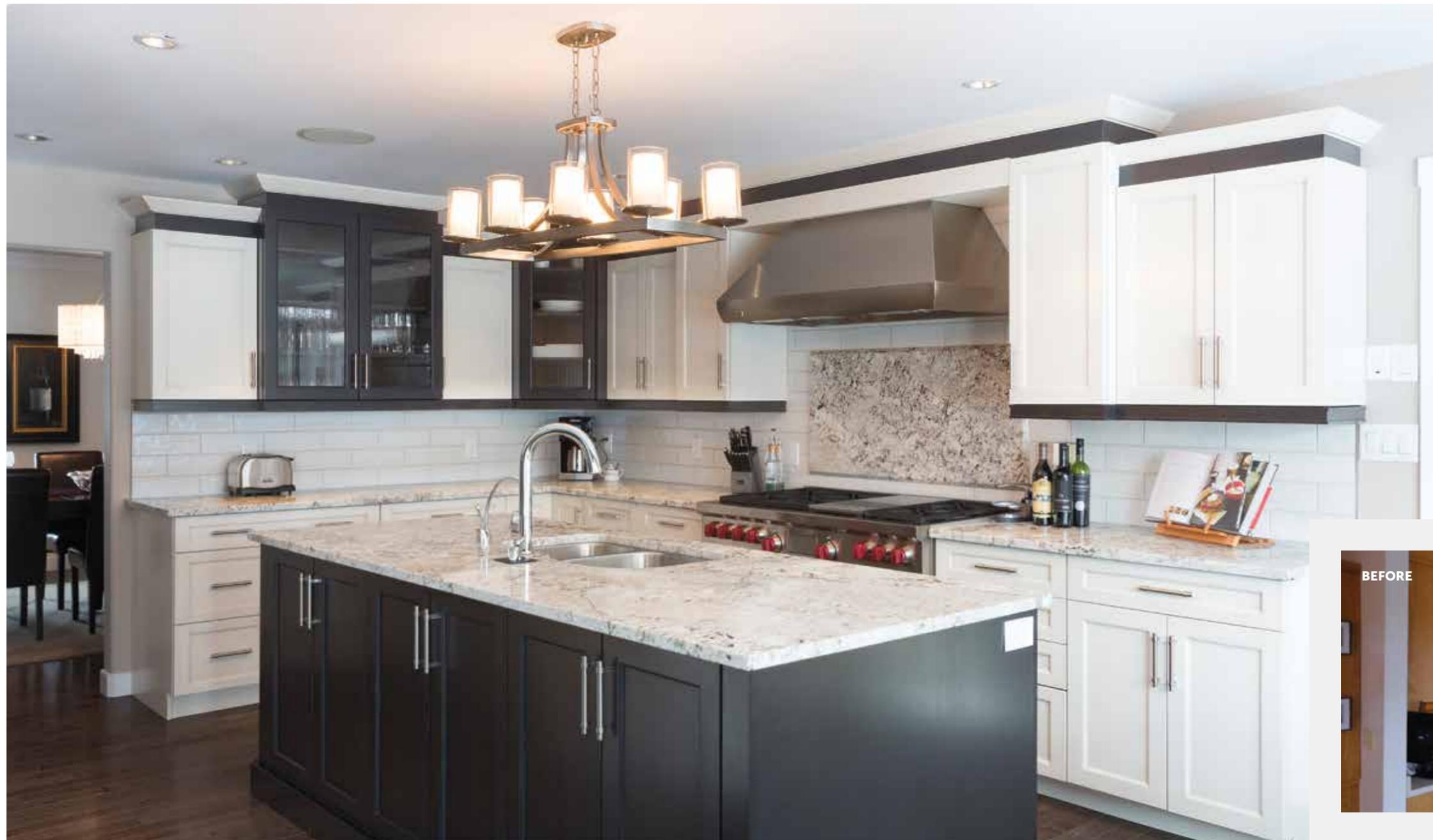
The homeowners had a good sense for what they wanted and worked with Parkhill Homes & Renovations to further develop the home's potential and the proper scope of the project, which included the complete gutting of some areas of the home and the removal of walls to completely open up the main floor and lower level. Due to the age of the home, insulation, electrical, and plumbing upgrades were also included in the construction phase, as well as the modernizations of the heating, cooling, and ventilation systems.

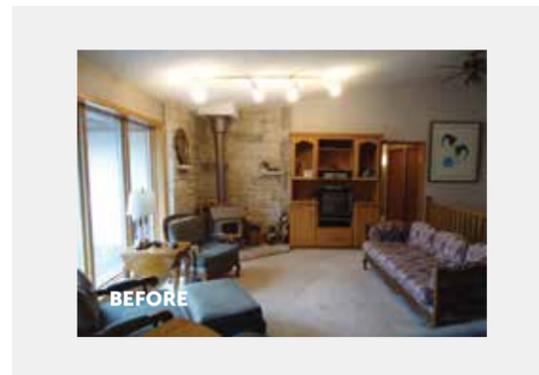
The neighbourhood, while ideal for the homeowners, was notorious for soil settling and structure movement resulting in Parkhill Homes & Renovations having to adjust the beams and straightened the floors before the new hardwoods could be properly installed.

And since the company was deconstructing walls and opening up spaces, Parkhill Homes & Renovations saw it as a chance to replace the home's dated windows with larger panes to take advantage of the lot's park-like setting and views.

This also added more light to the open-concept space created by removing a wall that previously separated the kitchen from the great room. Parkhill Homes & Renovations also installed ample ceiling pot lights along the great room's angled ceiling, which adds height to the once cramped room. This airiness helps to balance the dark, rich chocolate brown accent wall shared by the great room, kitchen, and

The light fixture from Robinson Lighting casts a warm glow over the granite countertops. The kitchen features dark and light Kitchen Craft Cabinetry and subway tile backsplash.





The rich chocolate brown shade adds definition to the wall shared by the great room, kitchen, and dining rooms, and accentuates the angled ceiling.

dining space, as well as the darker woods chosen for the built-in entertainment unit.

As part of the homeowner's personal touch, the great room also boasts a custom glass accent wall, conceived and designed by Pauline Boisselle of For Space Sake, that pulls inspiration from surrounding greenery and brings a touch of nature's colour inside.

The added details continue in to the fully renovated kitchen. A solid granite slab was inset in the subway tile backsplash just behind the stove; a perfect match to the

countertops of the cabinets and island. The light granite also pairs with the white, solid-door, shaker-style cabinetry that serves as one part to the two-tone kitchen. Contrast is provided by dark upper cabinets with glass-door insets, the island's lower cabinetry, and unique strip of trim that runs under and above the cabinets.

The kitchen's appliances were also updated to modern ascetic and function. A dual fuel stove with stainless steel hood and reverse osmosis water system makes the contemporary space inviting and functional.

While the kitchen has a bright eating space with a bay window, the homeowners also decided to focus on creating a charming dining room where they can entertain guests and enjoy family meals. A transitional light fixture above the dining room table anchors the space, which features a light neutral palette to continue the open-concept feel of the main floor.

But, if there's one room in the entire house that Parkhill Homes & Renovations took the greatest care in creating, it's the master suite. Much like the kitchen, the entire room was gutted in order to create a contemporary, bright space and included the addition of multiple large windows and pot lights in a visually interesting tray ceiling.

The room renovation also allowed for the addition of a 130-square-foot customized walk-in closet. With wooden clothes racks, shelves, drawers, and [granite] counters, the large space is as aesthetically appealing as it is functional.

Connected to the closet and the bedroom is the ensuite, which boasts heated ceramic tiled floors, dual sinks atop new cabinetry, and a custom glassed-in steam shower to finish off the homeowner's dream master suite.

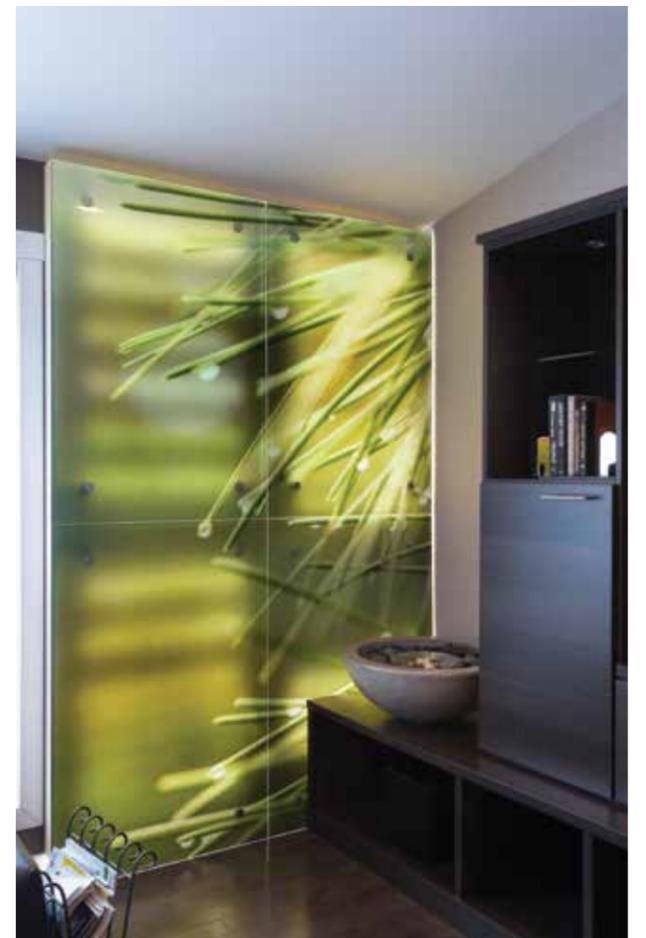
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A major window and lighting upgrade keeps the great room awash in light and creates great views to the outdoors.

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A distinctive glass accent wall conceived and designed by Pauline Boisselle of For Space Sake.

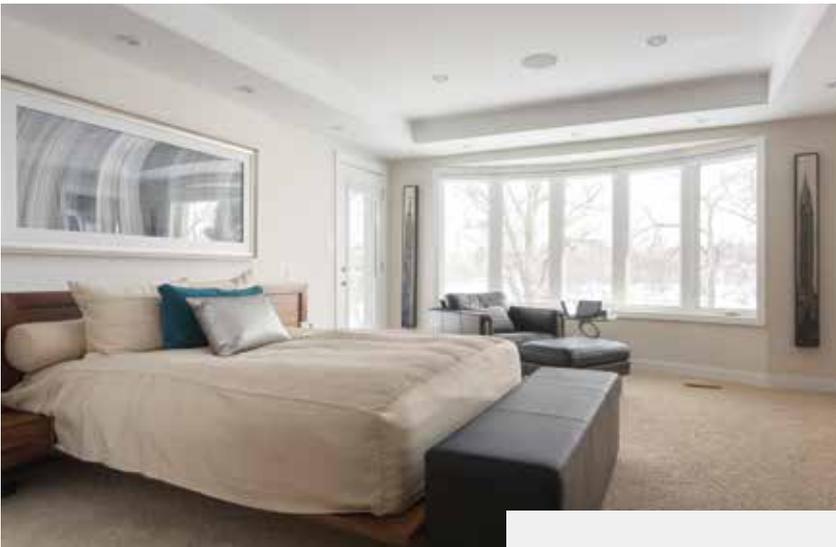


floor gets all the attention and the basement get little love. But in this case the lower level was treated to the same consideration as the rest of the house. The usage of new, large windows instantly updated the space, brightening both the media room and gym centre, which were also given updated flooring.

The basement was also brought into the home's newly installed automation system which allows the owners to

conveniently control sound, lighting, and temperature everywhere in the house - one more modern detail added by Parkhill Homes & Renovations.

With over 30 years of building experience, Parkhill Homes & Renovations strives to make any dream a reality. With this home's updated design, contemporary fixtures, and current-decade details, the owners finally have the space they envisioned.



TOP IMAGE

The master bedroom enjoys the conveniences of an adjacent walk-in closet and a beautifully appointed ensuite.

BOTTOM LEFT IMAGE

Large windows, sound system, potlights, and a tray ceiling were just some of the modern upgrades Parkhill added to this master bedroom renovation.

RIGHT IMAGE

One bedroom was reconfigured to make way for this 130 square foot walk-in closet with convenient and abundant storage.

