

# SOLD.

## ARIKA HIGLEY

FROM START TO SOLD. ALL THE DETAILS YOU NEED TO SUCCESSFULLY LIST & SELL YOUR HOME.



## Hi, I'm Arika and I believe in home.

Home is more than just a physical space. It's where you've created countless memories, shared moments with loved ones, and where you feel most comfortable.

When it comes time to sell your home and begin a new chapter, the process can oftentimes feel overwhelming. Selling a home can be an emotional journey, and it's understandable to feel apprehensive.

Rest assured that together, we can help you navigate the process with ease. We'll outline the process and create a plan together, so you don't have to do any of the heavy lifting.

From staging your home, to finding the right buyers, negotiating the best terms for you & creating a smooth close, this booklet will be your guide.





About Me

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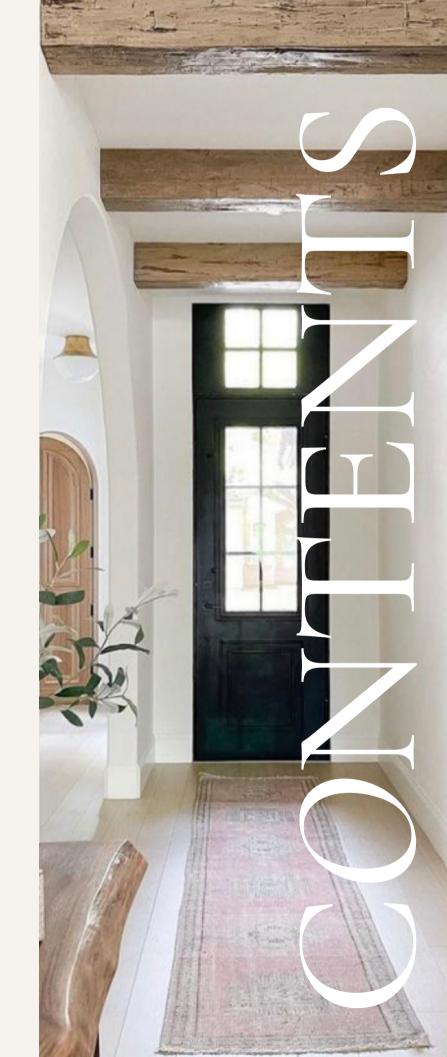
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#### Realtor ABOUT ME

I have been a top producing Real Estate Agent with RealtyPath for 9 years. I am highly dedicated to my education and pride myself on constantly continuing education in the market as well as best practices I In my inducstry. I focus my attention on the needs my Client has and drive my marketing to deliver.





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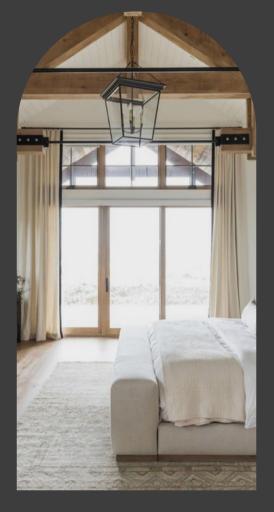
New Construction Expert

- Heritage Craft Homes
- Grey Stone
- Farr Built

I HAVE SPENT MY CAREER LEARING THE BEST PRACTICES IN NEW CONSTRUCTION.

New construction is Wan made and needs the respect of the craft

# SUCCESSFUL SELLING PROCESS



I KNOW THAT SELLING YOUR HOUSE CAN BE STRESSFUL...

But it doesn't have to be. Instead it can be the glorious start to a new chapter. The reliving of wonderful memories & the anticipation of a new family loving your home with fresh eyes.

With our modern approach to marketing and a streamlined system for paperwork, we take the stress out of SOLD.

Let's be honest, moving to a new home is EXCITING!

LISTING CONSULTATION | SET PRICE PROFESSIONAL PHOTOS AND VIDEO OPEN HOUSE | OFFER PRESENTATION CLOSE ON THE HOUSE (AND CELEBRATE)

GET THE HOME READY FOR THE MARKET ONLINE DEBUT | LISTED FOR SALE CONTINGENCY REMOVAL PERIOD



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# LISTING CONSULTATION

This is where we make a plan together. As your agent, I'm going to be asking you questions about your goals for selling your home and any questions or concerns you may have related to your sale. Please take a moment to think about those things before our consultation so that we can ensure we make the best use of our time together and address the most important issues.

I'll also be preparing materials for your review, including an overview of our marketing campaign, an explanation of social strategy and a comparative market analysis to show you what is selling (and not selling) in your market area.





A few things to think about before we meet...

What is your moving timeline?
What do you hope to net from your home sale?
What concerns do you have about listing or buying?

Write these things down before we meet so we can talk through all the details!



# SETTING THE RIGHT PRICE

You know what happens when you overprice your house? Nothing. Nothing happens. No showings get scheduled, no offers come in.

Pricing is a science and the single most important strategy you'll employ when going to market. During your listing consultation we'll make sure your goals align with market conditions and make a plan together.

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## PREPPING THE HOME

Cleaning & prepping your home to sell can increase its value by 3%-5%

## Kitchen

- Clear off all counters, everything from plants, paper towels and toasters
- Remove all personal accessories
- Tidy pantry

## Family Room

- Remove all personal accessories
- Declutter, including furniture if needed
- Remove all pillows

## Bedrooms

- Remove 30% of items in closets
- Remove all personal accessories
- Replace bright bedding with neutral tones if possible

## Bathrooms

- Clear all counters of products
- Remove all personal accessories
- Replace bright towels & rugs with white ones



- Tidy all toys, pack away as many as you can
- Trim all bushes & mow any lawns
- Rake any gravel

#### Front Entry

- Sweep front porch + add welcome mat
- Plant potted flowers
- Trim and mow regularly

## Throughout

- · Wipe down all blinds
- Touch up any drywall or paint

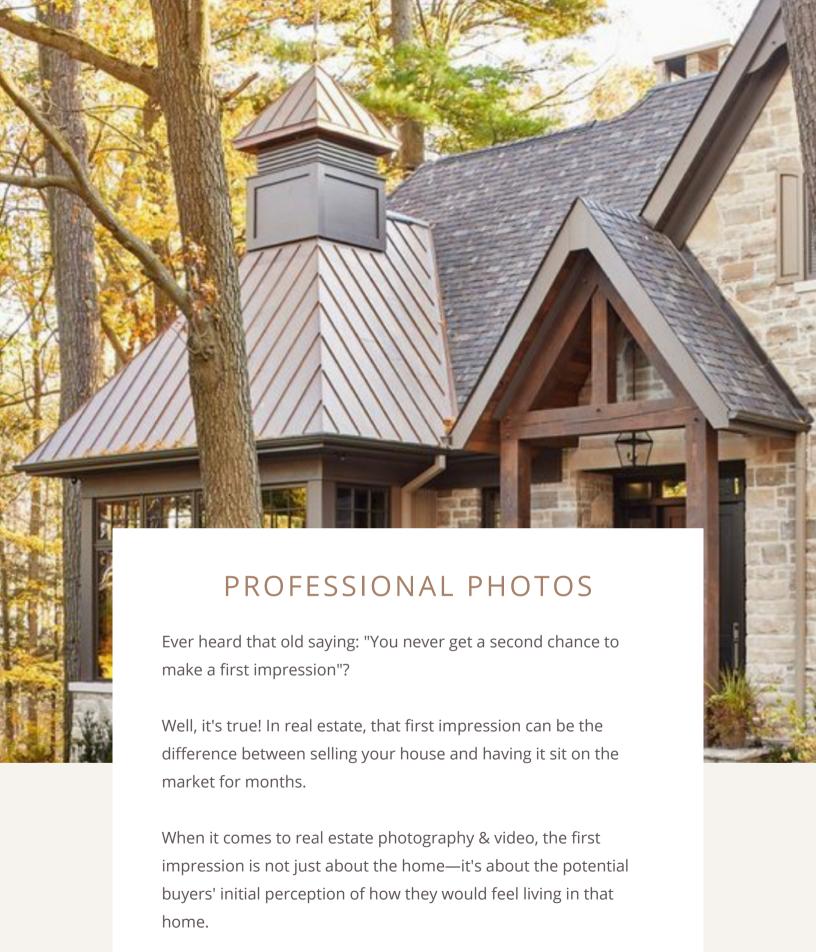


Prior to photos and videos we'll have a professional cleaning crew come in to give the home a good deep clean. A deep clean communicates that the home has been well cared for and increases the home's value to buyers.

# Pre-List

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KITCHEN	BACKYARD
FAMILY ROOM	FRONT ENTRY
BEDROOMS	MISCELLANEOUS

BATHROOMS





# Shocking Truths...

- homes listed with professional photography sell 32% faster.
- The average ROI on professional real estate photography is 826%.
- 68% of consumers say that great photos made them want to visit the home.

## GO TO MARKET TIMELINE

Homes perform best when they go to market on Thursday. In order for your home to go to market on Thursday, all cleaning and photos need to be taken 2-3 weeks prior.

On photo day, we'll do staging and cleaning prior to photo and video. This is an all day event and it is best if you plan to be gone for the majority of the day.

The photos and videos will then be edited and used to build the following marketing materials:

- Your home only website
- Neighborhood direct mail pieces
- Social media posts & ads
- Open house materials







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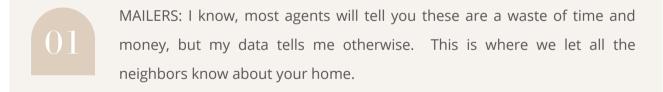
#### GOING TO MARKET

## Three Step Marketing Process

When taking a home to market, it's imperative to have an immersive marketing strategy. This means your ideal buyer is seeing your home multiple times in multiple mediums. This 3-Step approach allows for buyers across all generations to see the details of your home.



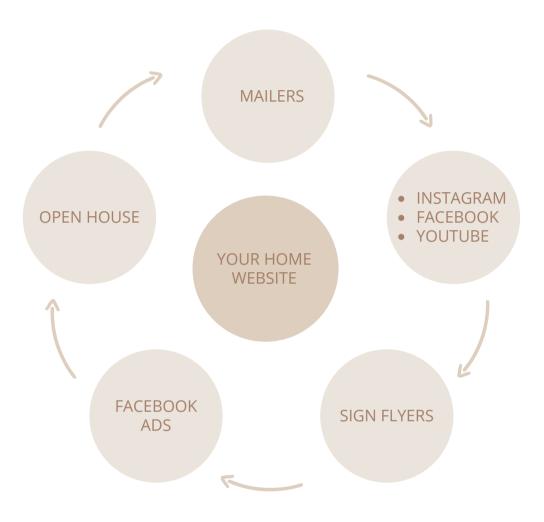
#### THE DETAILS...



SOCIAL: They see a postcard in the mail and then a reel pops up talking about the same house. Then a Facebook ad...finally, buyers are clicking on the link to your personal website, where they can take a full digital tour.

OPEN HOUSE: Which invites them to the Open House so they can see what you have to offer in real life. Since they've already seen the photos and videos, this buyer is highly invested in your home.

# The 7-11-4 Rule



Studies show that in order for consumers to make a buying decision they need to spend 7 hours of time, with 11 touch points from at least 4 different platforms to feel comfortable pulling the trigger. This is why immersive marketing is an absolute MUST when going to market.

Perhaps 7 hours feels aggressive, but buying a home is often one of the biggest decisions consumers make, so we want to make it easy for them to spend 7 hours on YOUR HOME. This is how we do it.

## the TIMELINE

#### **CLEAN & PREP**

- Begin packing, remove
   30% of items in closets
- Remove all clutter
- Remove personal photos

#### PHOTO & VIDEO

- Content shoot day
- Full photos of home
- Full immersive video

#### **COMING SOON**

- Sign is placed in yard
- No showings until open house
- Generates Interest

#### POSTCARD CAMPAIGN

- 5 postcards designed
- Coming Soon, Open House, Just Listed, Under Contract, Sold

#### SOCIAL DEPLOYED

- All social pieces created
- Long form video, 3-4 reels and designer style photos

#### **OPEN HOUSE**

- Opening weekend, no showings prior
- Open House on Friday, Saturday & Sunday

# ONLINE DEBUT LISTED TO SELL

It's no secret that the housing industry has changed over the years. Gone are the days of newspaper listings and word-of-mouth lead generation—now, most people turn to the Internet when looking for new homes. With 95 percent of home buyers using it, the Internet is an essential tool in the home search process. In fact, 54 percent of buyers say that using the Internet is their very first step in finding a new home.

The average home buyer spends 10 weeks searching for a home and previews 12 properties before deciding on their purchase.



I give your home as much visibility as possible using a variety of tools to ensure your home is seen by thousands of potential buyers

Of course, I don't forget the basics: I publish your listing on the MLS (multiple listing service), syndicate with major real estate platforms like Zillow, Trulia, and Realtor.com, and claim those listings to follow statistics.



#### **OPEN HOUSE**



Open houses are essential when selling a property.

Think about it: when you hold an open house, you're exposing your listing to the world, especially if you do it regularly. That means that each of those events will give your property renewed attention on all of the online portals and make your listing pop up in front of more potential buyers. And because this is physical real estate we're talking about, an open house also gives them a chance to experience your home in person!

Not only does this mean more exposure for your property and more traffic for you—the extra foot traffic means that someone who's just looking for fun or out of curiosity might end up being your next buyer.

# OFFER PRESENTATION

Offer presentations happen any time we receive an offer or offers. We'll get together as a team to review the offers with you side-by-side so we can compare them and decide on which one to accept or counteroffer.

In a multiple offer situation, we'll review them all at once. This strategy is ideal because it allows us to compare offers from different buyers at once, rather than receiving them one by one over time.





## CONTINGENCY PERIOD

In real estate, a "contingency" refers to a condition of the Agreement of Sale that needs to occur in order for the transaction to keep moving forward. As the buyer, there are many contingencies that they can choose to include in your contract.

Passing this period, if everything looks good at this point, there are just two more stages before closing: a title search and transfer of ownership.

By working closely with me and other industry experts, you'll be better able to understand what contingencies are all about, when they're most likely to be necessary, and what you can do to make sure you're in the best position possible for dealing with contingencies when they arise.

# COMMON

# Inspection Contingency

Every contract has a 10-day inspection contingency. This is where the buyer is able to do their due-diligence on the property with a professional inspection.

## Financing Contingency

Most contracts are also contingent on the buyer's financing. We don't accept offers unless we have the buyer's pre-approval from a lender.

# Appraisal Contingency

Inside the buyer's financing their is often an appraisal contingency. This means the buyer's financing is contingent upon the home appraising for their purchase price.

# Home Sale Contingency

Some contracts are also contingent upon the buyer selling and closing on their current home.

There will be additional paperwork and dates we abide by with this type of contingency.



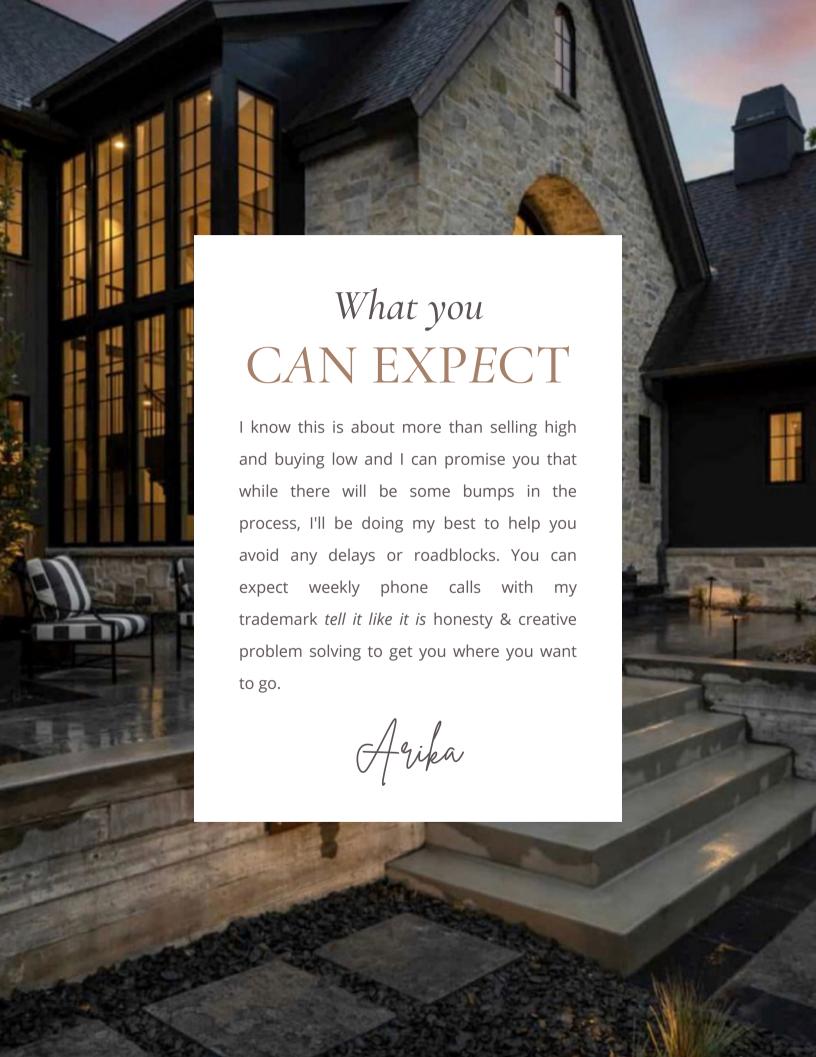
This is it! The big day!!! I've done this dozens of times and I promise you, we'll get through it just fine. You'll be signing a lot of paperwork today, most of it pretty dull, all of it important. The good news is, it's all paperwork we'll have already reviewed. After you sign everything...the deal is closed once the following is done:

- 1. The deed isn't a legal document until it has been recorded by the county recorder's office.

  Once each party has signed, the title company will send it to record. This can take a few hours.
- 2. Depending on when the deed records, funding will follow. Some loans fund the same day, some take up to 48 hrs after recording. The home is officially closed once it is recorded. Don't stress about the funding being immediate. The lender and title company have the funds, it's just a process to transfer them into your bank account.

Once the deed records, we'll release keys to the new homeowner.





# what others ARE SAYING

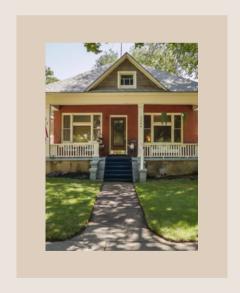


# Scan to see what the other 31 Reviews say





We just closed on our new construction home and we couldn't be happier with our house and our experience with Arika, she's absolutely amazing, very knowledgeable, she's very detail orientated, she documents every conversation every meeting and everything every step the way. The communication and follow through is the best I've ever seen from anyone if you need something or have a question she responds in a timely manner Everytime. She has your back and isn't afraid to handle any and every situation that comes up, I would recommend her to every single person I know and if needed again I would go with her everytime!





Working with Arika to sell our home and purchase another one was a dream. She made everything so stress free. She was very helpful and knowledgeable during the whole process. I got to see all the houses I wanted within the time frame I needed. I felt like I was her only customer she was working with in this crazy market. That's how attentive and personable she was. I will definitely be working with her again and I will definitely be recommending her services to others! Thank you, Arika!



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THIS IS A GREAT WAY TO SHARE DETAILS
THAT MADE YOU DECIDE TO PURCHASE YOUR
HOME. THIS WAY WE CAN HIGHLIGHT THESE
TOPICS IN OUR LISTING TO ATTRACT YOUR
FUTURE BUYER

## WHAT DO YOU LOVE ABOUT YOUR HOME!

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## READY TO LIST?



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