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Gardiner's Duct Cleaning tackles dust, makes breathing easier

Dust can be more than just an annoyance if you don't do something about it.

Not only can it be a constant source of work come cleaning time, but it can also irritate your eyes, throat and cause breathing problems.

That's why more and more residential, industrial and commercial customers are calling Gardiner's Duct Cleaning to tackle this problem head on.

Sam has been cleaning heating and air conditioning ducts since 1992 and they advise anyone who has not had them cleaned for a long time to get it done as soon as possible. It's a procedure that takes very little time compared to the amount of time clients enjoy clean, dust-free air in their homes and it's further beneficial in that it reduces heating and cooling costs.

The large, truck-mounted, vacuum unit shown in the photo below, packs more power for those tough jobs they encounter.

The procedure is simple. Sam first closes off vents and makes an opening in the main duct. Then, while the vacuum unit sucks air into a holding chamber, a hose is put into the upstairs vents, one at a time, and blows the dust and dirt into the downstairs unit.

They also use the air snake method which ensures ducts are completely rid of dust and debris. This method consists of a device being inserted into the ductwork while a mobile head reaches into every inch of duct work to dislodge dust and debris.

"Dust will not only affect your health but ruin furniture and draperies," says Sam. "Having your ducts cleaned cuts down on cleaning and adds life to your furniture, carpets and drapes."

Sam also provides chimney sweeping at competitive prices with service that is always friendly and courteous. Caps and screens are also available to keep out unwanted pets.

In addition, there are two new services available with the purchase of duct cleaning: dryer duct cleaning for only \$20 and brick and stone fireplaces cleaned with free estimates available on request.

Gardiner's Duct Cleaning provides an affordable, long-term solution to home dust build-up. Deodorizing is also available upon request.



The truck-mounted unit is excellent for cleaning ducts in commercial, residential and industrial properties. The Winter Special includes all hook-ups for \$39.95 plus \$5 per vent (minimum 12 vents) and chimney sweeping service for \$59.95.

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Interior designer Mairi Vasil works with what people have in their home

Mairi Vasil, owner of Mairi Vasil Design, takes the apprehension out of hiring an interior designer.

"The best designers listen to their clients and (the finished product) reflects the client's taste not their own," said Vasil who has redecorated homes and offices in Montreal, the Maritimes, Toronto and the United States.

Most people worry that an interior designer will come into their home and criticize everything that's in it.

Which is something Vasil would never do.

"You obviously have chosen (the items) in your home for a reason. So we will use what you have, what you've found and what you love."

And whether clients are purchasing a new home and want help picking out the carpet and tile colours or they are redoing a room or two, Vasil helps every step of the way.

The first step is a free consultation at home. At that meeting, clients are encouraged to provide clippings of different furniture styles and colours schemes they like.

Vasil then asks a number of questions about their lifestyle so she can understand what their needs are.

From there Vasil will help them pick out a colour scheme.

Then, Vasil designs a masterplan that will help them meet their goals.

"Rearranging furniture can sometimes be all you need. You should (also) look at more creative ways to display your art and accessories."

"Or simply choose a new colour. A can of paint is your least expensive decorating tool."

As a member and director of CDECA, The Certified Decorators' Association, Vasil has the expertise as well as the contacts to find anything clients are looking for - and in less time than others.

She can also offer her clients unique products and services that are only available to people in the trade.

These include furniture, upholstery, fine art, wall coverings, light fixtures, hardwood flooring and more.

Vasil works to most budgets and her clients can choose either an hourly design charge or a flat fee.

And because she spends so much time with her clients she "includes many as new friends."

For details or to book an appointment call Mairi Vasil at 415-0218.

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