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BRIGHT IDEA!

From the runway to your home, a fashioned-inspired suite flaunts bold colours *By Lisa Van de Ven*

Fashion serves as inspiration in the model suite for Peter Street Condominiums. Specifically, the sartorial works of designers such as Kate Spade and Paul Smith, whose bright, colourful creations helped spur the designers' vision for the unit, which features a neutral base broken up by splashes of vivid hues. "We've used the fashion element in a very contained way," says the suite's interior designer, Elaine Cecconi of Cecconi Simone. "We've used it selectively, just to add a little colour, a little punch, a little whimsy and a little lightheartedness." The result, Ms. Cecconi says, is a suite an urban hipster would feel at home in. The two-bedroom, 610-square-foot unit begins with a monochromatic light grey base that's used for the floors, cabinetry and countertops. To that the design team added the splashes of vibrant colour — orange, yellow, blue and green — as well as stripe patterns that help create personality and pizzazz. "There's a relaxed attitude about the space," says the designer. "It's not intimidating." Suites at Peter Street Condominiums, by CentreCourt Developments, range in size from 303 to 772 sq. ft. and in price from the mid \$200,000s to the \$500,000s. The sales office is located at 338 Adelaide St. W. in Toronto, and is open Monday to Thursday from noon to 6 p.m. and weekends from noon to 5 p.m. For information, call 416-987-8765 or visit peterstreet.ca.

1 "It becomes a piece of artwork over the island," Ms. Cecconi says of this Mikado matte aluminum light fixture. Other designers may have decided to go with convention, choosing a more traditional pendant light, but she wanted to create a statement with something more dramatic. "It's a strong graphic element in the space," she says.

4 This custom grey felt sofa may look neutral at first glance, but if you look closely enough you'll see the colourful Paul Smith fabric running up the arm. "It's a nice little detail, just an element of surprise," the designer says. "It's very subtle, not overwhelming."

2 The cabinetry may be a simple light grey that blends with the floors and countertops, but the multi-toned open shelves add vibrancy. "We didn't only want to limit the colour to the backsplash — we wanted to have a little nod to it in other aspects of the kitchen," says Ms. Cecconi.

5 "We didn't want to use the colour ubiquitously, we just wanted to have little punches of it," says Ms. Cecconi. This end table from West Elm provides that perfect punch. If it were much bigger, she says, it would be too much. "It almost looks like a chess piece, which is great," she adds.

3 Here's a backsplash that truly makes a splash. To create the vivid striped effect, the design team applied a custom-designed adhesive vinyl to glass. The colour, and drama, sets the tone for the entire suite.

6 Along with the glass coffee table, this Satyr lounge chair from Avenue Road acts as a floating element in the room. Its open design doesn't go all the way to the floor, keeping the sightlines open. "When furniture comes to the floor it becomes very blocky and your space fills up visually," the designer says.

FOR SALE



Price range: Starting from the upper-\$300,000s
Location: Annette Street and Runnymede Road, Toronto

VOLTA LOFTS
With the sales office scheduled to open Sept. 17, the west-end Toronto site Volta Lofts is currently in pre-registration. The boutique building, which will feature 19 units, sits on the former site of the TTC's Beresford Substation, which once powered trolleys along Annette Street. The building will feature a modernist exterior of limestone, heritage brick and glass, while inside artifacts saved from the original Substation will be on display in the lobby.

Builder/developer Terra Firma
Building Five storeys
Suites One-bedroom-plus-den and two-bedroom-plus-den layouts
Size 812 to 1,313 square feet
Occupancy Tentatively scheduled for 2014
Features Units will have LUBE kitchens, energy efficient stainless steel appliances and home automation systems.
Amenities The building will have no common amenity spaces.
Standouts The project will feature solar panels for energy efficiency.
Sales office To register, call 416-410-9111 or visit volta-lofts.com.

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Price range: From \$189,900 to the mid-\$300,000s
Location: Sheppard Avenue East and Kennedy Road, Scarborough

LOVE CONDOS
Overlooking the Tam O'Shanter Golf Course, with landscaping planned throughout the property itself, Love Condos is a new Scarborough condominium in pre-registration. Two buildings are planned at the site, with 282 tower units and 21 townhouses scheduled for the first phase. Turner Fleischer Architects have designed the buildings, while the interiors will be designed by Tanner Hill Associates.
Builder/developer Gemterra Development Corp.
Building The first-phase building is 20 storeys.

Suites One-bedroom, one-bedroom-plus-den, two-bedroom and two-bedroom-plus-den suites, as well as townhouse units
Size 487 to 858 square feet
Occupancy December 2014
Features Units will have laminate flooring, granite kitchen countertops, ceramic backsplashes and Energy Star appliances.
Amenities The project will feature an indoor pool, hot tub, fitness facilities, sports lounge, two party rooms, two guest suites and concierge service. Outside, there will be gardens, spaces for sunbathing and barbecues.
Standouts The site is close to Agincourt Mall.
Sales office To register, call 416-491-5683 or visit love-condominiums.com

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Price range: Starting from the mid-\$300,000s (for the new release only)
Location: Adelaide and Widmer streets, Toronto

CINEMA TOWER
Cinema Tower is the follow-up project to the Festival Tower Condominium (built above the TIFF Bell Lightbox) and will feature a glass-and-steel building rising from a six-storey podium. It was designed by Kirkor Architects and Planners and will be built to LEED standards for energy efficiency.

Builder/developer The Daniels Corp.
What's new The developer is releasing a collection of suites called "The Legends of Cinema." They will be available during a one-day sale in September, for which Daniels is taking registrations now (the exact date of the sale has yet to be announced).
Building 43 storeys
Suites From studio to two-bedroom designs
Size These suites range from 420 to 1,500 square feet
Occupancy Starting in Summer 2013
Features Units include nine-foot ceilings, hardwood flooring, quartz kitchen counter-



tops, Irpina cabinetry and Miele appliances.
Amenities The site will have a terrace, a gym with a basketball court, a steam room, a hot tub and an exercise room. There will also be an amenities coordinator to program the recreational spaces, a resident services director and 24-hour concierge service.
Standouts Each purchaser will receive a three-year membership to the TIFF Bell Lightbox.
Sales office To register for the one-day sale, call 416-203-2020 or visit cinematower.com.

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