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First certified Master Residential Builder announced

Burnaby, British Columbia (February 3, 2016) – The Canadian Home Builders' Association of BC (CHBA BC) is proud to announce that Larry Clay, president of [Clay Construction Inc.](#), is the first certified Master Residential Builder.

To earn this certification, Larry successfully completed all required courses in the CHBA BC Continuing Education program. The courses focus on many of the important aspects of the residential construction industry in BC, including the BC Building Code, energy-efficient building methods, site safety, and construction law. The certification program is designed for students who want to stay current on industry trends, technical advances, code developments and best practices.

“Damage has been done by inexperienced and unscrupulous contractors. The industry needs professional development for builders, renovators and contractors in addition to consumer education and protection,” said Larry Clay. “CHBA BC provides ample opportunities for builders to develop their business skills to better serve the consumer. Thank you CHBA BC for being an industry leader and providing the master builder program for professionals that desire to improve their service to their clients.”

By participating in this program, it demonstrates Larry's commitment to continuing education and professional development in his field. Larry is also recognized as a Certified Housing Professional and a Certified Renovation professional.

“The CHBA BC courses are rigorous and require a significant time commitment. Those who complete the courses have demonstrated a thorough knowledge of all aspects of residential construction combined with dedication, professionalism, passion for their industry and the business of building homes,” says Neil Moody, CEO of CHBA BC.

A Langley resident, Larry completes custom homes and renovations in every area of Vancouver for his clients. Larry has been a member of the Greater Vancouver Home Builders' Association (GVHBA) since 2005, and currently serves as the 2nd Vice Chair of GVHBA. In that time, he has won several prestigious Georgie Awards® including 2013 Custom Home Builder of the Year, and the 2014 Customer Choice Georgie Awards® Powered by Avid®. He was also recognized as the 2015 GVHBA Builder Member of the Year.

“The Master Builder Certification is the highest level offered by our Association, and we congratulate Larry Clay of Clay Construction for being our first builder member to achieve this designation,” said Moody.

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About the Canadian Home Builders' Association of BC

The Canadian Home Builders' Association of BC is the voice of the residential construction industry in British Columbia representing more than 1,600 members through an affiliated network of nine local home building associations located throughout the province. The industry contributes over \$18.2 billion in investment value to British Columbia's economy creating 133,700 jobs in new home construction, renovation, and repair – one of the largest employers in British Columbia.

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