

SPRING AWAKENING

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Terry Howald Pools

Tell us about your business: Terry Howald Pools has been providing service to Kitchener-Waterloo and surrounding regions for over 40 years. We take pride in offering top-quality products and services at an affordable price. We design and install new pools as well as renovate and enhance existing inground swimming pools.

What are the latest trends in pools? One of the many features we offer is the new Pentair Easy Touch. This feature allows homeowners to control everything from pool and spa temperature, to jets, lighting, water features and more, right from your favourite Apple or Android device. The unique ScreenLogic interface gives you access to your pool and spa's operation from practically anywhere.

What should every new pool owner know? They should know that a swimming pool is easier to maintain than you may think. New technology that we offer makes it simple and easy to schedule and control the operation of your pool and spa equipment. We are always just a phone call away and our experienced full service team is available to help with any questions or concerns.

What's your favourite pool-side music? A constant mix of new and classic hits sets the ambience for the perfect backyard get together. We love to entertain by the pool, and our playlists range to enhance a variety of gatherings!

Make the most of your outdoor space this year with some help from our local experts. You won't want to be inside again for months!



TROY PHILLIPS

Perfect Image Property Maintenance Inc.

What services do you offer? We offer a wide range of services for both commercial and residential properties, including: property maintenance, landscape design, landscape maintenance, tree and shrub planting and removal, snow plowing and removal, ice control, parking lot sweeping and asphalt repair.

How often should lawns be fertilized? Even the healthiest lawn gets hungry and needs a solid meal. Twice a year, spring and fall, is the bare minimum most experts recommend for fertilization, though some add a feeding in the middle of the summer.

What should all great landscape plans include? They should have great attention to detail. The materials, colours and surface textures are very important to consider when designing or maintaining a landscape.

What do you love most about working outside? Having the freedom of being outside enjoying the weather beats being cooped up inside any day! Not to mention the tan!



DAVE WRIGHT

Wright Landscape Services Inc.

What are your specialties? They include designing, building and maintaining exceptional landscapes in Waterloo Region. We can build a project that is right for clients, from residential front entries and foundation plantings to patios and outdoor living spaces, estate design and high end multi-residential projects.

What are the latest trends in landscaping? Curb appeal and outdoor living spaces tend to be the two trends that continue to dominate the residential market. Our clients want their homes to look great from the street and they want a place to wind down and relax with their families with privacy and unique finishes.

Homeowners shouldn't be afraid to: Hire a professional to design and build their project. People do not buy patios or front entries every day. Hiring a contractor they can trust and communicate with will make their project run smoothly and everyone will be happy in the end.

What is your favourite plant, shrub or tree? My current favourites are the Annabelle Hydrangea and the Japanese Maple. On their own, both plants are very impressive but together they create an amazing pairing. **OH**