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Phase I of The Residences of Royal Connaught

Once a playground for celebrities and international high society, Hamilton's Royal Connaught Hotel is reborn with the arrival of the city's most anticipated developments.

The Residences of Royal Connaught opens nearly 100 years after the original launch of the historic Hamilton icon.

With the grand opening on June 7, the city is abuzz as the Royal Connaught gets new life again after sitting vacate for the last decade — signaling a pivotal moment in the country's fastest appreciating real estate market.

"Hamilton's moment as a destination city has arrived," says Glen Norton, manager of urban renewal for the City of Hamilton. "Its incredible transformation is capped by the rebirth of The Royal Connaught. The time for Hamilton is now, it is truly a great moment to live in the city."

With more than 100 years combined experience, Valery Homes and Spallacci Group translate their love affair for Hamilton into this landmark restoration and their timing is perfect.

"We're giving Hamilton a new heart, the scope of the Connaught will usher in the next era for the city," says Rudi Spallacci, president of Spallacci Group.

Anchoring the original structure, a seven-storey podium complementing the existing historic facade will introduce galleria shops and cafes into a public square. Designed by KNY Architects, the completed project including three new residential towers will house 700 condominium units in the heart of downtown.

"A project of this historical significance is rare. The Connaught represented the pinnacle of society, not just in Hamilton, but across Canada. Its legacy endures as it once again becomes the focal point of the downtown core; it will be a truly remarkable place to call home," says Ted Valeri, president of Valery Homes.

Past the century hotel's intricate façade, the opulent art-deco lobby is a welcome respite from the busy city core. A decadent entrance opens up to an unparalleled three-storey interior featuring dramatic crystal chandeliers and expansive 23-ft. ceilings. Restored columns illuminate, framing the original glass staircase and mezzanine.



A bold matrix of ebony and granite play against soft white limestone floors, while gold and brass accents weave glamour throughout the décor. Reinforcing the legacy of the Connaught as a social hub, a sleek coffee bar and baby grand piano invite residents to connect. Ascending to the mezzanine, intimate seating and a plush fireside lounge overlook the bustling reception below.

"Residents will come home to extravagance every day. No other project will rival the prestige of this address," says Lisa Boyer, principal of LB Design and interior designer for the project.

Now open, Phase I of The Residences of Royal Connaught offers 122 new condominium suites housed in the original 13-storey landmark building. With a selection of elegant condo designs ranging from 555 to 1,084 sq. ft., purchasers can customize their suites with looks ranging from classic to a more contemporary aesthetic. Condominium suites start from the mid \$200,000s. Phase I occupancy is expected for 2016.

The restored lobby houses the presentation centre and model suite at 112 King Street East, the corner of King and Catherine in Hamilton, open Monday to Thursday from 1 to 6 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday noon to 5 p.m. For more information, call 905.645.0450 or email info@royalconnaught.com. To register, visit royalconnaught.com