



# KEVIN. ROBERT. MARTIN. WINS *BIG BROTHER CANADA*SEASON 5 – AND THAT'S THE TRUE TEA

Veteran Houseguest Kevin Martin Came Back to the BBCAN House to Win it All and Rewrite His History

Catch a *Big Brother Canada* Reunion Friday on *The Morning Show* at 9 a.m. ET/PT on Global

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TORONTO, May 19, 2017 – After an epic season that saw eight legends and eight new recruits make big moves and take on massive blowouts, second chance houseguest **Kevin Martin** of Calgary, Alta. has been crowned the winner of **Big Brother Canada Season 5**. Fans can see Kevin, host Arisa Cox, and all the other **BBCAN5** houseguests tomorrow morning on a special **Big Brother Canada** reunion show on **The Morning Show** at 9 a.m. ET/PT on Global.

"I came here with one goal and one goal only: to make it to the end," said Kevin. "I haven't had a single ally in the house for the whole second half of the game, so every morning I would wake up and do nothing but strategize and study."

Kevin's runner up was newbie player Karen Singbeil of Victoria, B.C., and at 53-yearsold she was a powerful war-horse of a competitor who came to show her young housemates that she could take them down with her grit, social dominance, and wit.

"I'm so blessed and grateful to have had the opportunity to live out this dream!" said Karen. "I came in here with will, perseverance, determination and a lot of luck."

In the three-part finale HOH competition, Demetres took the win in part one's "Tower of Power" – a jungle themed endurance challenge, marking his unprecedented sixth HOH win of the season. Kevin and Karen then played the second round, an intergalactic trivia challenge based on questions about the stars of *BBCAN* Season 5. With Karen taking almost an hour to complete the challenge, Kevin was given a clear path to victory, securing his place in part three of the HOH competition, where he would face his arch rival and fellow competition beast, Demetres. Determined to cement his place in final two, Kevin defeated Demetres in their final battle making Demetres the third-place finalist.

Following Wednesday night's plea to the jury on why they should be voted the winner of #BBCAN5, Kevin and Karen finally had to face one of the toughest juries in *BBCAN* history, and personally answer their questions about strategy, authenticity, friendship, game advantages, and lies. Both Kevin and Karen presented thoughtful, poised and sincere answers that left the jury feeling satisfied and fired up. In the end, despite passionate speeches from both, the jury gave the votes to Kevin, who was crowned winner of *Big Brother Canada*!

Viewers who missed an episode or want to re-live Season 5 can watch *Big Brother Canada* for free on <u>BigBrotherCanada.ca</u> and <u>Global Go</u>. Fans can also visit the website to read full bios, see photos, and watch exclusive online videos.

Check out <u>etcanada.com</u> and *ET Canada* Friday night at 7:30 p.m. ET on Global for an interview with *Big Brother Canada* winner <u>Kevin Martin</u>, runner-up <u>Karen Singbeil</u>, and third place finalist, <u>Demetres Giannitsos</u>.

Big Brother Canada's winner took home a \$100,000 cheque, a \$30,000 home furnishing makeover from The Brick, and a new 2017 Toyota 86. The fan favourite series offered unparalleled digital extensions that augmented the social dynamics and real-time momentum of the 24/7 television production. Big Brother Canada season 5 extended from series to site at BigBrotherCanada.ca with exclusive content, full episodes, 24-hour live streams, and a host of surprises and opportunities that allowed fans to directly impact the show.

Commissioned by Corus Entertainment, Season 5 of *Big Brother Canada* was produced by Insight Productions in association with Corus Entertainment and Endemol. Erin Brock, Sue Brophey, John Brunton and Barbara Bowlby served as Executive Producers. Eric Abboud and Trevor Boris served as Supervising Producers.

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