



# A BOMBSHELL LEAVES THE HOUSE IN PIECES AS ERICA IS EVICTED ON BIG BROTHER CANADA

Canada Votes Massively and Saves Ryan from Eviction

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**TORONTO, April 13, 2018** – Canada has saved Ryan Ballantine and the *Big Brother Canada* house is turned upside down after Erica Hill from Pickering, ON was sent home in his stead. After a week in absolute hell, Ryan was the clear target in this week's BBCAN house. Under the cold, merciless thumb of Head of Household Kaela, the season's most ruthless HOH to-date, Ryan spent a week being painted into the villain he never wanted to be. But to the house's shock, Ryan's alliance was with the almighty Canada, who saved him from eviction in a 24-hour online vote leading into Thursday night's show. After Arisa dropped the beastly bombshell on the house, Kaela, the pint-sized punisher, aimed her fire at Erica. Then, in a vote of five to two, Erica was sent packing, leaving both Will and Ryan in the house thanking their lucky stars.

"Honestly, I understand why Kaela had to [nominate me] because she can't play the game as well as I can," said Erica to host Arisa Cox. "I just wanted to go in the house and have fun and whenever I came out, I just wanted to feel proud of the game I played."

The week started with Ryan on the block next to pawn-of-the-week Will. Ryan's destiny looked grim after he narrowly lost the Power of Veto win to Johnny who, much to Ryan's devastation, decided not to mess with Kaela's nominations. Unbeknownst to Ryan, Canada was working hard on the outside to vindicate him, and ultimately took him off the block, forcing Kaela to immediately name his replacement. After winning the POV in week two, Erica quickly established herself as a comp beast in the house. With a target on her back, she knew early on that winning competitions was her only way to stay safe. But this week, Erica's immunity powder blew up in her face as she was back-doored and sent home.

After Erica's eviction, the houseguests had to collect themselves to go straight into a trivia-based HOH competition called "Before or After." To find out who won HOH, tune into *Big Brother Canada* on Monday at 9 p.m. ET/PT on Global.

Big Brother Canada airs Wednesdays at 7 p.m. ET/PT, Thursdays at 8 p.m. ET/PT, and Mondays at 9 p.m. ET/PT on Global. Viewers who missed this week's episodes can catch up on Big Brother Canada following the broadcast the next day On Demand, and on GlobalTV.com and Global GO (now available on Apple TV). And if that's not enough, fans can also watch all of the in-between action on the live feeds from the Big Brother Canada house on BigBrotherCanada.ca.

Plus, all season long, viewers can catch *After the Eviction*, an exclusive weekly series hosted by Arisa Cox available across all social platforms, presented by Shaw. Following Wednesday night's Power of Veto episodes, fans can submit all their burning questions on the *Big Brother Canada* <u>Facebook page</u> and catch the answers on *After the Eviction* on **Fridays at 10 a.m. ET** as part of the evicted houseguests' extended interviews.

The Season 6 houseguests are competing for a <u>grand prize</u> of \$100,000, a European dream vacation for two courtesy of Air Transat, and a \$30,000 home furnishing makeover from The Brick.

Commissioned by Corus Entertainment, Season 6 of *Big Brother Canada* is produced by Insight Productions in association with Corus Entertainment and Endemol Shine. Executive producers are John Brunton and Erin Brock.

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