



EXPECT THE UNEXPECTED: NICO VERA SELF-EVICTS IN UNPRECEDENTED BIG BROTHER CANADA EVICTION

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TORONTO, March 6, 2020 – This game is no joke. *Big Brother Canada* Volume 8 kicked off its supersized season with one of the most shocking departures in *Big Brother Canada* history – the show's first-ever self-eviction by Toronto's Nico Vera.

"Being in the Big Brother house is not easy. There are stresses that we can't even imagine. You never really know what someone is going through," said Arisa Cox, Host, *Big Brother Canada*. "Nico made a decision that was right for him and we completely respect that decision. We wish him nothing but the best."

After a colossal twist was revealed during the *Big Brother Canada* season premiere, it was Canada's vote that determined which houseguests were immediately forced to fight for their safety. Minh-Ly Nguyen-Cao showed superhuman strength to stay safe, leaving Chris Wyllie, Nico Vera and Susanne Fuda in jeopardy. Brain transformation specialist Chris proved his mental prowess in the next challenge, leaving Susanne and Nico on the block and at risk of elimination. With superhero status on the line, and super stresses beyond the imagination, Nico ultimately chose to self-evict in a *Big Brother Canada* first.

Watch the dramatic fallout on Global Sunday at 8 p.m. ET/PT to see who wins the first Head of Household competition of the season. *Big Brother Canada*'s free live feeds are now streaming at <u>bigbrothercanada.ca</u>.

Big Brother Canada's Season 8 houseguests are competing for a grand prize of \$100,000, \$10,000 worth of groceries courtesy of Summer Fresh, and an unforgettable dream vacation for two anywhere in the world from Expedia.

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Commissioned by Corus Entertainment, Season 8 of Big Brother Canada is produced by Insight Productions Ltd. in association with Corus Entertainment and Endemol Shine. Executive Producers are John Brunton and Erin Brock. Corus Entertainment's Original Content team driving its slate of unscripted series is helmed by industry executive Lisa Godfrey as VP Original Content and supported by long-time TV veterans Krista Look (Director of Lifestyle) and Lynne Carter (Production Executive).

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