





ROBERTO LOPEZ EVICTED IN SECOND BACKDOOR IN A ROW ON BIG BROTHER CANADA SEASON 11

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TORONTO, March 23, 2023 – This season's unprecedented second backdoor in a row floored the BBCAN Manor, sending Toronto's Roberto "Rob" Lopez out of the *Big Brother Canada* game. Avoiding elimination the previous week, Niagara Falls' Dan Szabo climbed his way from the block to the top,

winning Head of Household and gaining all the power for the week. With Hope Agbolosoo and Renee Mior up for eviction, the influence secretly laid in "CEO Bro" Zach Neilson's hands after getting in HOH Dan's ear and winning the POV competition. Alliances were exposed when Zach removed Hope from the block and DJ Dan turned up the volume, naming Rob as the replacement nominee. Ultimately, Rob was unable to lift enough weight and sway the house votes to avoid a backdoor, sending the gym manager home by a vote of 7 to 4.

"I don't think it was me versus Renee at this point in the game," said Rob. "I think that Renee's side stood for a lot of things and it stood for the people who didn't backdoor me or backstab me, and what I was trying to do was try to make people wake up to the fact there is someone in there influencing them...I think the ringleader in all of this is Zach."

From having no power to all the power in the BBCAN Manor, HOH DJ Dan was ready to get the party started and make a big game move. Hope offered himself as a nominee in order to showcase his strength to Canada, which made nominations easier for Dan, while Renee spent back-to-back weeks on the block. Not bristling under pressure in the "Philips Sonicare" POV competition, Zach came out sparkling, winning \$5,000, and continued covertly putting his backdoor plan in motion on his fellow bro, social and physical threat, Rob. Zach, the self-proclaimed man of influence, used his POV win to take Hope off the block, with Dan following the business plan and putting Rob up as the replacement nominee. Both noms campaigned hard, leaving the houseguests torn, but in the end, Rob became the second houseguest evicted this season.

Watch the drama continue on Global and STACKTV, **Tuesday** at **7 p.m. ET/PT** to see who becomes the next Head of Household. Canada now has the opportunity to guarantee one more houseguest's safety this week with the belairdirect Eviction Protection Insurance vote where one lucky houseguest is granted safety from next week's eviction. Voting is now open until Friday, March 24 at 4 p.m. ET at bigbrothercanada.ca.

Season 11 of *Big Brother Canada* airs three nights a week featuring new episodes every **Tuesday** at **7 p.m. ET/PT** (Head of Household), **Wednesday** at **9 p.m. ET/PT** (Power of Veto) and **Thursday** at **7 p.m. ET/PT** (Eviction). Season 11 houseguests are competing for a grand prize of \$100,000 cash, \$10,000 towards a brand-new wardrobe, courtesy of WINNERS and \$10,000 worth of Shark® and Ninja® products.

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For the full 360° experience, fans can visit <u>BigBrotherCanada.ca</u> to access the Digital Dailies, houseguest interviews, live show votes, and more. Stream Season 11 live and on demand with <u>STACKTV</u> and access past seasons on <u>GlobalTV.com</u> and the <u>Global TV App</u>.

Commissioned by Corus Entertainment, Season 11 of *Big Brother Canada* is produced by Insight Productions (a Boat Rocker company) in association with Corus Entertainment and content powerhouse Banijay, with the deal struck by distribution arm Banijay Rights. Executive Producers are John Brunton, Erin Brock, Eric Abboud, and Arisa Cox.

Corus Entertainment's Original Content team, driving its slate of unscripted series, is helmed by industry executive Lisa Godfrey as Senior Vice President of Original Content and Corus Studios, and supported by longtime TV veterans Krista Look (VP, Original Content, Lifestyle), and Lynne Carter (Executive in Charge of Production).

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