Preparing your home is the best way to make sure that the images and video captured there will look as great as possible.

Here is a complimentary CHECKLIST to help you out.



Meri Light Photography (518) 754-1077 227 Kingsley Road Burnt Hills NY merilightphotography.com



- Thoroughly clean all surfaces
- Turn on all of the lights and replace any bulbs that aren't working
- Close all of the windows and make sure the curtains or blinds look the same
- Remove extra furniture
- Turn off screens: TVs, computers, tablets
- · Remove all personal photos or keepsakes
- Remove small rugs to show actual flooring unless there is a stain or damage
- Put all outerwear and shoes into closets
- Move any mail or packaging out of view
- Declutter



Kitchen

- Straighten/push-in chairs
- Empty your sink and make sure it's dry
- Clear clutter off of countertops
- · Remove small appliances that are easily stored
- · Remove fridge magnets and photos
- Store dishes and put away the draining rack
- · Hide soaps and cleaning items
- · Remove visible rubbish bins
- Add centerpieces such as flowers or candles to the tables
- Put away hand towels unless they are for display



Bathrooms

- Clear countertops completely
 - Remove toothbrushes and shavers
 - Clean all mirrors and surfaces
 - Hang fresh towels
 - Remove all items from bathtubs & showers
 - Clean or wash shower curtains and liners
 - · Clean toilets and CLOSE LIDS
 - · Remove floor mats



Bedrooms

- Remove any visible clothes and clutter
- Hide personal items and visible cables
- Close all closets
- Make beds and straighten pillows
- Remove items from bedside tables
- Close drawers
- Clean under the bed and remove items that might be showing
- If possible, remove personal images and wall stickers or appliques



Outdoors

- Move cars out of driveways and away from the property
- Close garage doors
- · Remove trash bins
- Mow and edge grass front and back, trim overgrown trees and bushes
- Remove any toys and sports equipment
- Remove hoses, empty planters, and gardening/yard tools
- Clean up clippings and leaves
- Clean the pool area



Living Areas

- Arrange furniture to make the space look larger and more open
- Remove magazines and papers
- Remove any fitness equipment
- Clear clutter from shelves and tables
- Hide all remotes
- Hide loose home theater cables