

BEFORE YOUR **M**One Media PHOTOGRAPHER ARRIVES

GENERAL

- Thoroughly clean whole house (vacuum carpet, mop hard floors, clean counter tops)
- Thoroughly clean windows
- Consider removing any damaged window screens
- Turn all overhead lights and lamps ON
- Replace all burned out light bulbs
- Use bulbs of the same color temperature
- Turn all ceiling fans OFF (or LOW if possible)
- Turn all TVs OFF
- Turn all computer screens OFF
- Open blinds/window treatments as much as possible to accentuate views
- Remove personal photographs (or replace with generic photographs)
- Make all beds
- Remove small floor rugs to reveal actual flooring
- Place all shoes/jackets in closets

FRONT EXTERIOR

- Close Garage Doors
- Remove all vehicles from driveway and front of home
- Remove empty planters
- Use broom to remove cobwebs from eaves and door frames
- Remove visible water hoses
- Remove toys, sports balls, basketball goals, soccer goals, etc
- Hide trash and recycle bins in garage if possible

LIVING ROOM

- Remove stacks of magazines, papers, mail, etc.
- De-clutter fireplace mantel/hearth (no more than 5 items, including art)
- Clean interior of fireplace and re-paint if needed
- Do NOT light fire for photos. We will do that digitally!
- Fluff and arrange furniture pillows
- Remove kids toys

MASTER BEDROOM

- Make bed, including decorative pillows/shams if available
- Press bed linens and bed skirts
- Clear nightstands of all personal items
- Store away phone/tablet charging cables
- Remove all clutter from top of dressers
- Remove family photos from walls
- Clean under bed, removing items that may show in the video

KITCHEN

- Clear counter tops completely. No knife blocks, baking supplies, mail, etc.
- Leave out max of one small appliance (ex. coffee maker)
- Clear outside of refrigerator of magnets, papers, photos, etc.
- Hide garbage cans in pantry or closet
- Remove dishes from sink, counter, etc and place in dishwasher

DINING ROOM

- Clear table, dust and polish the table top
- Use decorative place setting if available
- Feature one center piece such as a bouquet of flowers or a sculpture
- Straighten all chairs and space them evenly
- Remove child seats/booster chairs

BATHROOMS

- Clear counter tops completely. No soap, toothbrushes, medications, deodorant, etc.
- Put toilet seats down
- Close closet doors
- Remove shampoo, soap, loofahs, etc. from showers and tubs
- Remove dirty towels - leave out only new, unused towels

BACKYARD

- Clean porch, tidy up outdoor tables/chairs/cushions
- Pillows/cushions should be fresh, not faded
- Clear out kids toys, balls, frisbees, etc.
- Clean pool and hide pool cleaning supplies
- Remove pool vacuum/cleaner hose
- Mow lawn and clear away clippings
- Turn on pool fountains/water features
- Remove visible water hoses
- Remove trash cans
- Remove grill cover(s) and have grill clean