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Master Builders ACT launches Junior Builders Program

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Master Builders ACT has announced the launch of its new Junior Builders program, a school holiday initiative aimed at engaging Canberra children aged 6-15 with building and construction.

With every construction trade in the ACT currently in shortage, Master Builders ACT says it is essential to engage potential future workforce entrants at early age and demonstrate how rewarding a career in the building and construction industry can be.

Master Builders ACT CEO Anna Neelagama said the program will introduce young people to the variety of career opportunities available in construction.

‘We need to build a sustainable future workforce pipeline for the ACT building and construction industry, and we need to start the conversation at a young age,’ Ms Neelagama said.

‘Junior Builders is a fun, practical way to engage children and show them the rewarding opportunities a career in construction can offer.

‘This pilot program will test how we can best deliver that engagement through MBA Training.’

The program will run during the spring school holidays from Monday 28 September to Friday 9 October, with both half-day and full-day options available. Each day will feature different hands-on activities delivered by qualified trainers through MBA Training.

Parents can book their children into the Junior Builders program now at:
mba.org.au/training/junior-builders-school-holiday-program/

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