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Master Builders ACT takes out major awards at 2026 ACT Training Awards

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Master Builders ACT is proud to announce that their training arm, MBA Training, has been recognised as ACT Small Training Provider of the Year at the 2026 ACT Training Awards for their delivery of high quality construction training in the region.

This prestigious award reflects MBA Training's commitment to delivering fully compliant, up-to-date training that goes beyond the basics to deliver complete, properly accredited programs for every student.

'Championing quality in the ACT building and construction industry is at the heart of everything we do at MBA Training,' said Anna Neelagama, CEO of Master Builders ACT.

'This award is a huge recognition of the efforts of our hardworking trainers and administrative team, who are among the best in the industry. They bring extensive industry experience and genuine passion to every classroom and worksite to ensure our trainees not only meet industry standards, but exceed them.

'This win is about building a better building industry for the ACT and region. With all 26 construction trades currently in shortage in the ACT, growing the future construction workforce has never been more critical,' said Ms Neelagama.

'The students who walk through our doors today are our future builders, civil construction engineers, project managers and safety experts. They are the future of our building industry, and we are proud to play a role in shaping it.'

Together, we build better. 

Adding to the night's accolades, recent MBA Training carpentry graduate Emmi Lee also took out the title of ACT Apprentice of the Year.

'Emmi's achievement sends a powerful message: there is a place for women in every corner of the construction industry,' said Ms Neelagama.

'At Master Builders ACT, we are proud to champion women in construction. We want to see our female apprentices thriving at the highest level. Emmi represents the best of what our training programs can deliver, and I have no doubt she will be a leader in the industry in the years to come.'

The 2026 ACT Training Awards celebrate outstanding achievement in vocational education and training across the territory, recognising the individuals and organisations driving skills development and workforce growth.

MBA Training will now represent the ACT at the Australian Training Awards.

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