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A TALENTED TRIO OF ELECTRICAL APPRENTICES FROM NORTHERN IRELAND HAVE MADE IT THROUGH TO THE FINALS OF SKILLELECTRIC 2022...

The heat is on with SkilleLECTRIC

The regional heat for SkilleLECTRIC took place in May as part of the **Construction Industry Training Board NI** (CITB NI)'s annual **SkillBuild NI** Finals 2022.

SkilleLECTRIC is the electrical industry's top skills competition, celebrating the best practical and technical skills from across the UK. Sponsored by Edmundson Electrical, the NI heat held at CITB NI's Nutt Corner Training Centre put our very best recruits through their paces. The top three competitors were: 1st - Daniel Knox, South West College; 2nd - Josh Young, North West Regional College and 3rd - Thomas Magee, Belfast Metropolitan College. All finalists were presented with a fantastic bag full of tools from sponsor, Edmundson Electrical - a hugely enthusiastic supporter of the colleges' electrical apprenticeship courses. Only the highest scorers from all regional qualifying heats combined will be invited to take part in the SkilleLECTRIC grand final in November. The UK finalists will be announced later in the summer.

SkilleLECTRIC provides a platform to showcase the best young talent working in the industry and highlight the opportunities that becoming an apprentice electrician provides. Those who demonstrate exceptional talent also have the chance to represent their country at EuroSkills and **WorldSkills** events around the globe.

SkillBuild

Seventy-nine of the brightest recruits and top performers within construction and trades apprenticeship programmes from across Northern Ireland competed against each other at the **SkillBuild NI** to win in categories ranging from electrical installations to wall and floor tiling. The **SkillBuild NI** competition is designed to test skills, technique, ability within tight timeframes, and identifies the top performers in 10 different trade areas. Winners from the NI finals - to be announced in July - will have the opportunity to represent Northern Ireland in the **SkillBuild UK** National Finals leading potentially to represent Team UK at **WorldSkills** in 2024.

The biannual **WorldSkills** event is the largest and most prestigious vocational competition in the world. **SkillBuild NI** competitors regularly out perform all other regions of the UK at both **SkillBuild UK** and **WorldSkills** competitions. Ireland's Electrical Magazine will showcase the victorious electrical apprentice of the 2022 competition in the August/September issue of the magazine. Commenting on the popular industry contest, Barry Neilson, Chief Executive for CITB NI said, "Our young people are more ambitious now than ever and we hope that **SkillBuild NI** National Finals will be part of their journey and future careers within the construction industry."



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