



Ken Heather

WorldSkills Canada Expert Welding

What made you want to represent Canada in welding at the WorldSkills level as Canada's Expert?

It is an unbelievable honor to represent Canada on the world stage. My goal at every WorldSkills competition as Expert, is to provide a positive and supportive environment where every competitor can showcase their skills on the world stage.

Tell us a little bit about your Skills experience that led up to you becoming an Expert.

I volunteered at both the provincial and national competition in 1997 and since then I have been involved in every provincial and national the past 26 years. I attended the 2007 WorldSkills in Japan, was the workshop supervisor for welding at the WorldSkills in Calgary in 2009, was an observer for Skills Alberta at the 2011 WorldSkills in London and became the welding expert for Team Canada for the 2013 WorldSkills in Germany. This is my 6th WorldSkills as Expert.

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What do you think sets Canada apart in Welding?

Canada is a leader in welding technology and advancement, and welders across Canada showcase our diverse skills and training techniques around the world.

What are you most excited to experience in Lyon, France?

I always look forward to collaborating with the 43 Welding Experts from around the world and watching our collective expertise and experience come together to oversee an excellent competition.