



BENJAMIN JAMISON



SCHOOL: SAIT

TRADE: Aerospace Technology

TRAINER: Ryan Gillis

EXPERT: Gabriel Jacques

HOMETOWN: Beaumont, AB

What was the first thing that went through your mind when you realized you had made Team Canada?

"Pride; plain and simple. All the hard work you put in during training and the competition pays off when you're standing in the spotlight with all your other competitors."

What are you most excited to experience in Shanghai, China?

"I'm excited to compete. Surrounded by people with the same love for this industry I have. Not to mention you're going to compete in China and the show they're going to be putting on at this competition is going to be incredible."

Do you have any words of encouragement for future Skills competitors?

"If it's regionals, provincials, nationals, or worlds, putting your name forward for something like this is an unreal experience and takes lots of courage. Leading up to the competition it's nothing but nerve racking, but once the competition is done you feel nothing but pride for the finished project."

What do you love most about your trade/technology?

"Ever since I was a kid I knew I wanted to be in aviation. Once I discovered Aircraft Maintenance Engineering was a possibility I knew it was what I was going to do with my life. It's the perfect balance of precision and mechanics and I'm all for it."

What has been the best part of your Skills journey so far?

"The connections. I got hired at my dream job because of Skills. You get the opportunity to show people the passion you have for your trade."