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**Bob did it!
Emeril's doing it
... Debbie does it
for a living!***

Want to know more?

Come and step into the wicked world of the **Skilled Trades**. We expose the awesome opportunities available in the Trades. This Guide is meant as an informative and fun way to look at the skilled trades as a great career option.

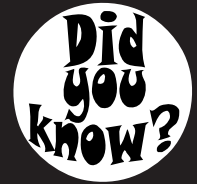
Listen to what real Trades people and apprentices have to say about their careers. Also learn cool facts about the trades to stump your friends and family.

We give you the goods on:

- ▶ Apprenticeship, and the Ontario Youth Apprenticeship Program (OYAP)
- ▶ Things you need to know before you can apprentice
- ▶ "Hook ups" for each trade
- ▶ High school courses that can help
- ▶ Length of apprenticeship training
- ▶ How much cash you can make
- ▶ Contacts for trade associations, colleges and high school apprenticeship programs

So, if you're looking for a career that's challenging, rewarding, and secure we've got the low down.

Take a look through this directory and see how you can enter the amazing world of the Skilled Trades.



***Bob Vila** is a renowned home improvement guru and has a hit TV show.

Emeril Legasse is a chef and millions watch his cooking show on FoodTV.

Debbie Travis is a painter and has a home decorating show on WTN.

"The average age of a Journeyman in Canada is over 48 years old. This means that in the next 7-10 years, there's going to be almost a 100% turnover in the skilled trades."

Canadian Labour Congress

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**Getting
around!**

*There's a load
of information
inside to get
you up and
running.*

*Check it out
and don't
forget to link
to the many
contacts listed
throughout
the guide!*

