Transcript

Title: Cutting Through: Why Two Students Chose Carpentry

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SAARA: I've always liked building stuff ever since I was young so I've made stuff like birdhouses. Even from small things like that, I just like making stuff at home.

ROBIN: I'm drawn to carpentry because I like working with my hands and I like working outdoors like being physical and I like the feeling of seeing a finished product at the end of the day. So my favourite part of the Swinburne course is learning new skills. Learning how important simple procedures like marking out, getting the wall straight and how it's important to the overall construction of the house.

SAARA: So today we're building rooves. So we were measuring and cutting all the roof rafters and all the fascias. I chose to do trades just because it's what I enjoy doing and I didn't see a being a girl was going to be challenge. So other girls interested in doing trades just do it. Don't be afraid to work in a male dominated industry.

ROBIN: So once i finish my course, I plan on getting my apprenticeship and learning as much as I can for the next three to four years. Eventually I see myself owning my own business and building my own home.

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