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Kate's A Winner



Kate Roberts "...Over the moon..."

KATE Roberts, an apprentice decorator with First Choice Homes Oldham, has won the Leading Learner of the Year national award.

The awards ceremony took place yesterday at the Kensington Roof Gardens, a spectacular oasis in London, with pink flamingos for company.

Kate said "I am over the moon I won this award, especially being told that they had received a record number of nominations this year. I am honoured to be representing First Choice Homes Oldham and The Oldham College.

Kate has been nominated for numerous awards both internal to FCHO and via the college. Kate has been successful in being a finalist for both regional and national awards such as Student of the Year, North West Apprentice of the Year and Leading Learner of the Year.

These awards are attributed to her 'continued boundless energy and compassion, drive and enthusiasm' says FCHO Chief Executive Hugh Broadbent.

Kate completed her NVQ Levels two and three in only two years - instead of the usual three - and passed both her final exams with a distinction, the only person to do so in her class.

Mr Broadbent concluded: "As well as providing outstanding customer service Kate always goes the extra mile for the customers whose homes she works in and has often helped get support and action where it is needed for these customers.

"As well as being a positive ambassador for FCHO and a mentor for women in the building industry, Kate is also the face of Leyland Paints - a national campaign."

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For more information regarding:

Leading Learner of the Year Award by the Learning and Skills Improvement Service please visit:
www.lsis.org.uk/LSISHome.aspx

Oldham College please visit: www.oldham.ac.uk

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