

# Where are they now?

WE CATCH UP WITH TWO PREVIOUS SHOWHOUSE CONTESTANTS, TO SEE HOW THEY FEEL ABOUT THEIR INVOLVEMENT IN SHOWHOUSE ONE YEAR ON

**NINA GONZALEZ  
BLODAU,**  
Series three



“I loved doing **SHOWHOUSE**, even if it was pretty stressful in the final moments. It was great opportunity to start and complete a whole house in a week, even though the nights seemed very short with my brother and I working into the early hours, changing colours, painting furniture and murals. It's not often you get a free hand and a chance to showcase your talents in one house.

“My friends were delighted that I got to show my design to such a wide audience but what I least expected was the amount of emails and phone calls from people saying how much they liked the house, and in general, they seemed to enjoy that I was experimenting with many different ideas which was great encouragement as it meant I'd achieved what I set out to do.

“**SHOWHOUSE** has been great for business, my career has been given a great boost and I now have a much wider range of customers.”  
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**MARION ORMOND,** Series three

“My whole experience on **SHOWHOUSE** was fantastic. The **SHOWHOUSE** team,

Pierce Construction and all the workmen were great to work with and couldn't have been more helpful. The whole week was a rollercoaster of emotions, but they were all positive.

“The feedback was incredible from family and friends, as well as work colleagues. I also got lots of phone calls from extended family, emails from the general public and I was even stopped in the street by people who had seen me on TV to say ‘well done’, so I was on a high for quite a while.

“As a result of **SHOWHOUSE**, I went on to do another showhouse for Pierce Constructions and I'm still getting work from the show.

“It made me more confident in going for larger projects, and it was a great showcase for my work. I was thrilled with the achievement, and even if I hadn't won, the whole experience was amazing.”

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