



2025 WORLD AQUATICS CHAMPIONSHIPS

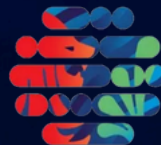
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WORLD AQUATICS
CHAMPIONSHIPS
SINGAPORE 2025

COMPETITION INFORMATION

WHAT: 2025 World Aquatic Championships
WHERE: Singapore
WHEN: July 17th - 25th
VENUE: World Aquatics Championships Arena
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ABOUT ARTISTIC SWIMMING



THE SPORT

Spectators have been awed by the grace and power of artistic swimming since the inception of the sport in the early 1900s. Artistic swimming requires a unique combination of overall body strength and agility, grace, split-second timing, musical interpretation, stamina and dramatic flair. Many have described the sport as a mixture of swimming, dance and gymnastics. The goal of every performance is technical excellence, artistic impression and synchronization with the music and each other. The sport has deep roots in the United States, with the USA largely being viewed as the country that developed the sport in its early years and dominated the early competition scene.

OLYMPIC HISTORY

The inaugural artistic swimming U.S. National Championships were held in 1946, just one year after the Amateur Athletic Union (AAU) first recognized the sport. A few years later, the 1955 Pan American Games included synchronized swimming events, and the World Aquatic Championships soon followed. After almost 40 years of concerted effort, synchronized swimming was at last included in the Olympic Games in 1984, with the United States winning the first solo and duet Olympic gold medals. The competitive rules and manner of judging are similar to such sports as figure skating and gymnastics. In the 1996 Olympics, the team event replaced solo and duet competition, which had been a part of the Olympic program since 1984. However, the overwhelming demand for tickets and broad television appeal of the 1996 team event prompted the IOC to reinstate the duet event for 2000.

NAME CHANGE

The sport was rebranded at the international level following the 2016 Olympic Games in Rio. The world governing body (World Aquatics) believed that the new name would better illustrate what the sport is about and hopefully lead to greater popularity. The name artistic swimming was developed with the sport's similarities to artistic gymnastics in mind.

NEW SCORING SYSTEM

For 2023, a new scoring system was implemented by World Aquatics, formerly FINA, after years of development to mirror the decreased subjectivity achieved by such sports as gymnastics and figure skating. The new system relies more heavily on difficulty with certain movements, such as hybrids or lifts, being preassigned difficulty values that greatly impact the final score. Competitors can risk attempting difficult routines and being rewarded for their execution or falling to 'basemark' if something is done incorrectly, consequently losing out on critical points in competition. The system is still being refined to capture both difficulty and artistry.

ABOUT THE CATEGORIES AND EVENTS

TECHNICAL EVENTS

Athletes must perform required elements as described in the World Aquatics Rulebook. The required elements are selected by the Technical Artistic Swimming Committee (TASC) every four years. The elements include specific required hybrid movements and acrobatic highlights. Athletes and coaches can select different levels of these elements based on the skill of the athletes to maximize score potential.



DUETS: 2 MINUTES 20 SECONDS
TEAMS: 2 MINUTES 50 SECONDS

A hybrid is when a swimmer is upside down in the water supporting body weight through a method called sculling where they are rapidly treading water with their arms. This sculling movement allows the swimmer's legs to elevate outside of the water.

What is a hybrid?



FREE EVENTS

This type of routine consists of a predetermined number of free hybrids and acrobatic movements with less restrictions on the actual content of the hybrids. Choreographing a free routine calls for the greatest level of creativity, with less parameters on hybrids allowing coaches to intentionally craft their routines in ways that maximize scoring potential.

DUETS: 2 MINUTES 45 SECONDS
TEAMS: 3 MINUTES 30 SECONDS



ACROBATIC ROUTINES

This routine, previously called a highlight routine, requires seven acrobatics including one from each of the four lift families. The remaining three acrobatics are unrestricted. Transitions between lifts are also unrestricted, but no difficulty is awarded. Any hybrid is allowed to contribute to artistic impression and overall appeal but hybrids in this routine do not count towards difficulty.



ACROBATIC ROUTINE:
3 MINUTES 00 SECONDS

Coaches declare the details of the hybrids and acrobatic elements they have created within the routines on coach cards that are submitted prior to competition. The numerical difficulty score is then predetermined based on the value assigned to the movements by World Aquatics.

ROUTINE TIMES ARE +/- 5 SECONDS

How is difficulty determined?



PRELIMINARY

FINAL

TEAM SCHEDULE

2025 WORLD AQUATICS CHAMPIONSHIPS SCHEDULE

NOTE:
THE 12 HIGHEST
SCORING
ROUTINES IN
EACH CATEGORY
ADVANCE TO
FINALS BUT
SCORES DO NOT
CARRY OVER.



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LOCAL	FRIDAY JULY 18 TH	SATURDAY JULY 19 TH	SUNDAY JULY 20 TH	MONDAY JULY 21 ^S	TUESDAY JULY 22 ND	WEDNESDAY JULY 23 RD	THURSDAY JULY 24 TH	FRIDAY JULY 25 TH
10AM								
11AM		TEAM FREE		TEAM TECH			ACRO	
12PM								
1PM								
2PM								
3PM	DUET TECH							
4PM								
5PM								
6PM								
7PM			TEAM FREE	DUET TECH	TEAM TECH			
8PM								ACRO

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP HISTORY

1973 - 2005

	FIGURES TOP 5	SOLO TOP 5	DUET TOP 5	TEAM FULL STANDINGS	FREE COMBINATION TOP 10
1973 YUGOSLAVIA		1ST - 120.4600 USA / CAN / JPN / NED / FRA	1ST - 118.3910 USA / CAN / JPN / NED / MEX	1ST - 117.6170 USA / CAN / JPN / MEX / NED	
1975 COLOMBIA	1ST - 86.5830 USA / CAN / USA / JPN / USA	1ST - 133.0830 USA / CAN / JPN / GBR / NED	1ST - 129.4335 USA / CAN / JPN / GBR / NED	1ST - 128.8120 USA / CAN / JPN / GBR / NED / SUI / SWE / COL	
1978 WEST BERLIN	2ND - 89.5500 CAN / USA / GBR / USA / JPN	2ND - 181.4990 CAN / USA / JPN / GBR / SUI	3RD - 180.7580 CAN / JPN / USA / GBR / SUI	1ST - 182.3000 USA / JPN / CAN / GBR / SUI / NED / FRG / EGY / ITA	
1982 GUAYAQUIL	1ST - 94.5000 USA / CAN / CAN / CAN / CAN	1ST - 192.3000 USA / CAN / JPN / GBR / NED	2ND - 188.6501 CAN / USA / JPN / GBR / NED	2ND - 186.8334 CAN / USA / JPN / NED / GBR / SUI / FRG / MEX	
1986 SPAIN	2ND - 97.5670 CAN / USA / USA / CAN / CAN	2ND - 194.970 CAN / USA / FRA / JPN / AUT	2ND - 193.4010 CAN / USA / JPN / SUI / GBR	2ND - 190.8210 CAN / USA / JPN / FRA / URS / NED / SUI / MEX	
1991 AUSTRALIA		2ND - 196.3140 CAN / USA / JPN / URS / FRA	1ST - 199.7620 USA / JPN / CAN / URS / FRA	1ST - 196.1440 USA / CAN / JPN / URS / FRA / CHN / ITA / GBR	
1994 ITALY	1ST - 91.3200 USA / CAN / JPN / RUS / USA	1ST - 191.0400 USA / JPN / CAN / RUS / VEN	1ST - 187.0090 USA / JPN / CAN / FRA / RUS	1ST - 185.8840 USA / CAN / JPN / RUS / FRA / ITA / CHN / MEX	
1998 AUSTRALIA		4TH - 95.7900 RUS / FRA / JPN / USA / ITA	4TH - 96.2370 RUS / JPN / FRA / USA / CAN	3RD - 96.8290 RUS / JPN / USA / CAN / FRA / ITA / CHN / KOR / SUI / ESP / BRA / AUS	
2001 JAPAN		4TH - 96.5430 RUS / FRA / JPN / USA / CAN	4TH - 96.3870 JPN / RUS / CAN / USA / ESP	4TH - 95.9410 RUS / JPN / CAN / USA / ESP / ITA / CHN / FRA / GRE / UKR / BRA / SUI	
2003 SPAIN		5TH - 95.7510 FRA / RUS / ESP / JPN / USA	4TH - 96.3340 RUS / JPN / ESP / USA / CAN	3RD - 96.8340 RUS / JPN / USA / ESP / CAN / CHN / ITA / UKR / FRA / GRE / KOR / SUI	2ND - 97.3330 JPN / USA - ESP / CAN / CHN / UKR / ITA / FRA / GRE / SUI
2005 CANADA		5TH - 95.4170 FRA / RUS / ESP / JPN / USA	4TH - 94.5840 RUS / ESP / JPN / USA / CAN	4TH - 95.6660 RUS / JPN / ESP / USA / CAN / CHN / ITA / FRA / GRE / UKR / BRA / SUI	5TH - 95.8330 RUS / JPN / ESP / CAN / USA / CHN / ITA / GRE / UKR / BRA

SCORING CHANGE

Note that in between the 1994 and 1998 World Championships, the scoring system was changed. Athletes competed both free and technical routines for a combined score to determine standings. After 2005, these scores were no longer combined and instead separate categories.

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP HISTORY

2007 - CURRENT

YEAR	SOLO TECH TOP 5	SOLO FREE TOP 5	DUET TECH TOP 5	DUET FREE TOP 5	MIX DUET TECH TOP 5	MIX DUET FREE TOP 5
2007 AUSTRALIA	4TH - 96.8330 RUS / ESP / JPN / USA / CAN	5TH - 95.6660 FRA / RUS / ESP / JPN / USA	5TH - 95.1670 RUS / ESP / JPN / CHN / USA	5TH - 95.3340 RUS / ESP / JPN / CHN / USA		
2009 ITALY	DID NOT COMPETE	DID NOT COMPETE	12TH - 88.5000 RUS / ESP / CHN / JPN / ITA	DID NOT COMPETE		
2011 CHINA	11TH - 87.1000 RUS / CHN / ESP / CAN / JPN	DID NOT COMPETE	9TH - 88.5000 RUS / CHN / ESP / CAN / JPN	11TH - 96.1900 RUS / CHN / ESP / CAN / JPN		
2013 SPAIN	10TH - 87.3000 RUS / CHN / ESP / UKR / JPN	DID NOT COMPETE	DID NOT COMPETE	DID NOT COMPETE		
2015 RUSSIA	9TH - 84.5857 RUS / ESP / CHN / UKR / JPN	8TH - 86.6000 RUS / CHN / ESP / UKR / JPN	12TH - 83.5089 RUS / CHN / JPN / UKR / ESP	11TH - 84.9667 RUS / CHN / UKR / JPN / ESP	1ST - 88.5108 USA / RUS / ITA / UKR / JPN	2ND - 91.4667 RUS / USA / ITA / FRA / ESP
2017 HUNGARY	DID NOT COMPETE	DID NOT COMPETE	12TH - 83.4715 RUS / CHN / UKR / JPN / ESP	11TH - 83.9000 RUS / CHN / UKR / JPN / ESP	3RD - 87.6682 ITA / RUS / USA / JPN / ESP	3RD - 88.7667 RUS / ITA / USA / JPN / ESP
2019 KOREA	DID NOT COMPETE	12TH - 84.7333 RUS / ESP / JPN / UKR / CAN	12TH - 84.0190 RUS / CHN / UKR / JPN / ESP	12TH - 83.6333 RUS / CHN / UKR / JPN / ESP	4TH - 86.9235 RUS / ITA / JPN / USA / CHN	4TH - 88.3000 RUS / ITA / JPN / USA / ESP
2022 HUNGARY	6TH - 86.2807 JPN / UKR / GRE / ITA / AUT	7TH - 87.6333 JPN / UKR / GRE / ITA / AUT	7TH - 86.4262 CHN / UKR / AUT / JPN / ITA	9TH - 87.0000 CHN / UKR / AUT / ITA / ESP	5TH - 82.8966 ITA / JPN / CHN / ESP / USA	5TH - 85.2000 ITA / JPN / CHN / ESP / USA
2023 FUKUOKA	2ND - 216.8000 KENNY GAUDET ESP / USA / KAZ / COL / GBR	3RD - 179.5562 KENNY GAUDET ESP / COL / USA / JPN / GBR		7TH - 209.5187 AUT / CHN / JPN / ISR / GBR		
2024 DOHA	7TH - 215.4533 KENNY GAUDET CHN / ITA / COL / ESP / MEX	5TH - 166.6250 KENNY GAUDET ITA / ESP / COL / CHN / USA	DID NOT COMPETE	DID NOT COMPETE	DID NOT COMPETE	DID NOT COMPETE

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YEAR	TEAM TECH FULL STANDINGS	TEAM FREE FULL STANDINGS	FREE COMBO TOP 5	HIGHLIGHT / ACROBATIC TOP 10
2007 AUSTRALIA	5TH - 95.8330 RUS / JPN / ESP / CHN / USA / CAN / ITA / UKR / GRE / BRA / FRA / PRK	5TH - 95.8340 RUS / ESP / JPN / CHN / USA / CAN / ITA / GRE / UKR / BRA / PRK / FRA	3RD - 96.5000 RUS / JPN / USA / ESP / ITA	
2009 ITALY	7TH - 93.3330 RUS / ESP / CHN / CAN / JPN / ITA / USA / UKR / FRA / PRK / BRA / NED	9TH - 91.6670 RUS / ESP / CHN / CAN / ITA / JPN / FRA / UKR / USA / PRK / GBR / BRA	DID NOT COMPETE	
2011 CHINA	9TH - 87.9000 RUS / CHN / ESP / CAN / JPN / UKR / ITA / FRA / USA / GBR / PRK / BRA	10TH - 86.8000 RUS / CHN / ESP / CAN / JPN / UKR / ITA / FRA / GBR / USA / MEX / BRA	DID NOT COMPETE	
2013 SPAIN	DID NOT COMPETE	DID NOT COMPETE	DID NOT COMPETE	
2015 RUSSIA	10TH - 83.4289 RUS / CHN / JPN / UKR / ESP / CAN / ITA / FRA / MEX / USA / BRA / GRE	12TH - 84.5667 RUS / CHN / JPN / UKR / ESP / ITA / CAN / MEX / FRA / GRE / BRA / USA	DID NOT COMPETE	
2017 HUNGARY	11TH - 82.8546 RUS / CHN / JPN / UKR / ITA / ESP / CAN / MEX / GRE / PRK / USA / BLR	10TH - 83.4289 RUS / CHN / JPN / UKR / ESP / CAN / ITA / FRA / MEX / USA / BRA / GRE	DID NOT COMPETE	
2019 KOREA	11TH - 84.0566 RUS / CHN / UKR / JPN / ITA / ESP / CAN / GRE / FRA / MEX / USA / ISR	11TH - 84.4000 RUS / CHN / UKR / JPN / ITA / ESP / CAN / GRE / FRA / MEX / USA / ISR	DID NOT COMPETE	DID NOT COMPETE
2022 HUNGARY	6TH - 86.9907 CHN / JPN / ITA / FRA / GRE / USA / ISR / CAN / GBR / SUI / KAZ / BRA	9TH - 87.4667 CHN / UKR / JPN / ESP / ITA / FRA / MEX / GRE / USA / ISR / KAZ / GBR	DID NOT COMPETE	5TH - 87.8667 UKR / ITA / ESP / MEX / USA / GRE / CAN / KAZ / BRA / SUI
2023 FUKUOKA	3RD - 273.7396 ESP / ITA / USA / JPN / GRE / MEX / CHN / ISR / FRA / EGY / UKR / AUS	9TH - 218.6605 CHN / JPN / UKR / ESP / ISR / ITA / GRE / AUS / USA / GBR / KAZ	DID NOT COMPETE	2ND - 232.4033 CHN / USA / JPN / MEX / FRA / CAN / UKR / ISR / GER / KAZ
2024 DOHA	4TH - 266.9333 CHN / ESP / JPN / USA / ITA / CAN / ISR / AUS / KAZ / UKR / SVK / THA	3RD - 304.9021 CHN / JPN / USA / ESP / ITA / GRE / CAN / ISR / UKR / AUS / BRA / KAZ	DID NOT COMPETE	3RD - 242.2300 CHN / UKR / USA / CAN / ESP / ITA / JPN / EGY / ISR / MEX / CHI / GRE

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MEET AND SEASON NOTES

RECENT SCORES AND STATISTICS

2024 World Aquatics Championships - Doha

Acrobatic.....	3 rd (242.2300)
Technical Team	4 th (266.9333)
Free Team	3 rd (304.9021)

2025 World Aquatics Artistic Swimming World Cup –Paris (FRA)

Acrobatic.....	1st (183.4100)
Technical Team	3rd (255.9350)

2025 World Aquatics Artistic Swimming World Cup – Markham (CAN)


Acrobatic.....	5th (171.9888)
Technical Team	3rd (266.6599)
Free Team.....	3rd (291.1362)

USA HISTORY

- USA qualified a team for the Olympic Games for the first time since 2008, earning their spot at the 2024 World Aquatics Championships in Doha, Qatar.
- Paris 2024 marks the end of a 16-year Olympic team qualification drought for USA Artistic Swimming.
- Once a dominant force in the sport, USA saw a decline in international rankings as it struggled to retain athletes full-time, with many choosing college over continuing in the national team program.
- That trajectory changed when head coach Andrea Fuentes arrived in the U.S., coinciding with Adam Andrasko becoming Chief Executive Officer.
- Together, Fuentes and Andrasko built a competitive, athlete-centered program that has increased athlete retention and raised the average age of the national team.
- This is the fourth season the national team has been based in Los Angeles, following its move from Northern California to UCLA in August 2021.
- The silver medal at the 2024 Paris Olympic Games is the first Olympic medal for the program in 20 years.
- USA also secured its first team World Championship medal in 16 years at the 2023 World Championships in Fukuoka.

CURRENT ROSTER/ROUTINES

- USA Artistic Swimming's 2024 National Team is a dynamic blend of seasoned Olympians, rising stars, and historic leadership.
- The last round of national team trials was completed in May, adding our youngest team member ever: 15-year-old Kanako Field, sister of Olympic silver medalist Megumi Field.
- Four athletes returned from the 2024 Olympic roster: Anita Alvarez, Daniella Ramirez, Jaime Czarkowski, and Jacklyn Luu.
- Anita Alvarez became the second 3-time Olympian in USA Artistic Swimming history after competing at the 2024 Paris Olympics.
- The team features a wide age range, with athletes from 15 to 28 years old.
- Nikki Dzurko and Natalia Vega remain on the Senior National Team roster after multiple seasons, playing an instrumental role in the 2024 World Championship qualification.
- Multiple athletes on the 2024 National Team also helped lead USA to its first Junior World Championship gold medal in 35 years: Ghizal Akbar, Karen Xue, Emma Moore, and Elle Santana.
- During the World Championships, USA will be able to utilize its full roster of 12 athletes, allowing essential adjustments for peak performance.
- USA welcomed a new head coach for the 2024 season: 1996 Olympic gold medalist Tammy McGregor.
- Team USA debuted two newly choreographed routines at this year's Artistic Swimming World Cup, while keeping their iconic Sorceresses routine, introduced just before the Olympic Games.
- The Team Free Routine is themed BODY, highlighting the power and complexity of the human form; the music even features real recorded breaths from the athletes themselves.
- The Team Technical Routine embodies the grace and beauty of a Peacock, showcasing precision, artistry, and elegance.
- The duet of Olympic silver medalist and veteran Jaime Czarkowski and rising star Ghizal Akbar will debut their routines at the 2025 World Aquatics Championships, set to Lady Gaga's iconic and catchy song Abracadabra.



SELECTION PROCEDURES

The national team is selected through a multi-phase trial process that evaluates each individual on land and strength skills, routine swims, flexibility and an interview. The highly decorated judges, national team coaches and the high performance manager evaluate each athlete and help in determining which athletes earn placements in the national talent program. The process is overseen by the VP of Olympic International and the Athlete Advisory Council representative.

The national team is comprised of athletes in full time training in Los Angeles. Athletes cannot compete at collegiate institutions or clubs and still be eligible to participate in international competitions representing USA Artistic Swimming due to the requirement to be in full time training as a squad.

From the final rankings, a specified number of athletes are selected to be invited to join the team based on the current number of full-time athletes training in Los Angeles. Athletes who are junior-aged may hold dual-team positions, swimming for both the junior and senior squads when needed and if the ability level allows.

From the athletes that are members of the full-time training squad, inter-squad trials are held to nominate who will represent the USA in mixed duet, duet and competition team rosters. These squad nominations also determine USOPC direct athlete support funding for athletes.



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TEAM USA ROSTER @ SOCIAL MEDIA

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TAMMY MCGREGOR HEAD COACH

Tammy McGregor is a decorated figure in the world of synchronized swimming, capped by her Olympic gold medal performance at the 1996 Atlanta Games. A standout athlete, she helped Team USA clinch the top podium spot in what was considered one of the sport's most memorable team performances. Following her competitive career, Tammy continued shaping the sport's future, bringing her in-water expertise and leadership to coaching roles at the national level. Her deep understanding of elite athlete development has made her a respected mentor and strategist in the artistic swimming community.

In August 2024, USA Artistic Swimming announced Tammy would assume the role of National Team Head Coach—officially stepping into the position on October 1—after a transitional period collaborating with esteemed coaches Lara Teixeira and Andrea Fuentes. This appointment is a testament to her “staying power” both in and out of the pool, as she takes on a pivotal leadership role to guide Team USA into future international competitions. Her blend of Olympic pedigree and commitment to coaching excellence equips her to steer the next generation of athletes toward success.

LARA TEIXEIRA ASSISTANT COACH / CHIEF OF SPORT

Lara Teixeira represented her home country of Brazil in three Olympic Games including duet in 2008 and 2012 and team in 2016. She also competed in five World Championships and three Pan American Games. Of the three Pan American Games appearances, Lara owns four medals. She retired from artistic swimming after serving as team captain of her 2016 Olympic team.

Lara was hired by USA Artistic Swimming in 2019 as a High Performance Manager and junior national team assistant coach. Since her hire, she has taken on more responsibilities due to the coaching restructuring. She now manages her high-performance duties while serving as assistant coach to the senior national team and junior team when needed. Prior to her move to the USA, she coached New Zealand's junior and senior national team where she helped establish a high-performance environment. Through the Brazil National Olympic Committee, Teixeira obtained a Business Administration degree and a postgraduate degree in Sport Management.



MARIVI ESCALONA ASSISTANT COACH

Marivi Escalona is among the most promising up-and-coming leaders in U.S. artistic swimming. As a standout synchronized swimmer at Lindenwood University—where she captained the team during both her junior and senior years—she parlayed her competitive skills into dynamic coaching roles, first with Scottsdale Synchro and later as Head Coach for Houston SynchroStars. Educated in Mass Communication at Lindenwood, Marivi brings not only pool-side savvy but also a savvy ability to connect with athletes, shape routines, and build strong team cultures.

In October 2024, USA Artistic Swimming named the “young and talented” Marivi Escalona as Assistant Coach #2 for the Senior National Team. At a relatively young age, she's already earning national leadership responsibility, guiding elite athletes in preparation for global competition. Her appointment signals a strategic investment in her rising coaching trajectory, positioning her as a bright new voice shaping Team USA's future success.

MATT NICHOLS STRENGTH & COND.

YOUNGSHIN WOO ASSISTANT COACH

CHELSEA FAN PHYSICAL THERAPIST

★ ATHLETE PAGES ★



ANITA ALVAREZ

DOB: 12/2/1996

Hometown: Buffalo, N.Y.

High School: U.S. High Performance Academy

Club: Town of Tonawanda Aquettes

Olympic Experience: 2016 (Rio) - 9th (Duet), 2020 (Tokyo) - 13th (Duet), 2024 (Paris) - 2nd (Team)

Senior World Championship Experience: 2015 (10th - Technical Team, 12th - Free Team, 12th - Technical Duet, 11th - Free Duet), 2017 (12th - Free Team, 12th - Technical Duet, 11th - Free Duet), 2019 (12th - Free Solo, 12th - Technical and Free Duet, 11th - Free Team), 2022 (6th - Technical Solo, 7th - Free Solo, 7th - Technical Duet), 2023 (2nd - Acrobatic, 3rd - Technical Team, 9th - Free Team) 2024 (3rd - Acrobatic, 3rd Free Team)

Pan American Games Experience: 2023 Silver Medalist - Team, 2019 (3rd - Duet, 3rd - Team), 2015 (3rd - Duet, 3rd - Team)

Career Accolades: 4x USA Artistic Swimming Athlete of the Year, USA's primary soloist since 2020, 2014 Junior World Championships (7th - Duet, 10th - Duet), Qualified for 2012 Olympic team trials at 14 years old, 2024 Olympic Silver Medalist



JAMIE CZARKOWSKI

DOB: 12/5/2003

Hometown: Calgary, Canada

High School: Western Canada High School

Club: Calgary Aquabelles

Olympic Experience: 2024 (Paris) - 2nd (Team)

Senior World Championship Experience: 2022 (6th - Technical Team, 9th - Free Team, 5th - Highlight), 2023 (2nd - Acrobatic, 3rd - Technical Team, 9th - Free Team) 2024 (3rd - Acrobatic, 3rd Free Team)

Pan American Games Experience: 2023 Silver Medalist - Team

Career Accolades: World Championship Medalist, Olympic Silver Medalist

Personal: Her dad played professional baseball and was drafted by the Seattle Mariners in 1989,



GHIZAL AKBAR

DOB: 2/10/2009

Hometown: Walnut Creek, CA

High School: College Park High School

Club: Walnut Creek Aquanats

Junior World Championship Experience: 2022 FINA Youth World Championships – 3rd (Team), 3rd (Combo); 2023 Youth World Artistic Swimming Championships – 3rd (Duet), 3rd (Team), 4th (Combination) 2024 Junior World Championships: 1st (Acrobatic Routine), 5th (Tech Team) 4th (Free Team)

Career Accolades: Member of 2022 and 2023 Youth National Teams; 2024 Junior National Team member

Personal: Nearly drowned on her first day of artistic swimming at age six, loves painting and music, hopes to live in Paris someday



KAREN XUE

DOB: 9/10/2007

Hometown: Alamo, CA

High School: Monte Vista High School

Club: Walnut Creek Aquanats

Junior World Championship Experience: 2022 FINA Youth World Championships – 3rd (Team), 4th (Duet); 2024 Junior World Championships – 1st (Acrobatic Routine), 5th (Tech Team), 4th (Free Team)

Career Accolades: Member of the 2021 and 2022 13–15 National Teams; 2022 U.S. 13–15 Championships – 1st (Combo), 2nd (Team, Duet), 3rd (Solo); 2021 UANA International Open – 1st (Team)

Personal: Rode the same Great Wall cable car as President Clinton in 1998, featured on Fox News and NBC for community advocacy, and once photographed the Neowise comet

★ ATHLETE PAGES ★



MORGAN WOELFEL

DOB: 10/24/2006

Hometown: Walnut Creek, CA

High School: Carondelet High School

Club: Walnut Creek Aquanauts

Junior World Championship Experience: 2024 Junior World Championships – 1st (Acrobatic Routine), 5th (Tech Team), 4th (Free Team)

Career Accolades: Member of the USA Junior National Team; debuted on the Senior National Team at the 2025 Paris World Cup; gold medalist in Team Acrobatic at the 2024 Junior World Championships

Personal: Started swimming at age 5 and has played piano for over 13 years



JACKLYN LUU

DOB: 4/20/1999

Hometown: Milpitas, CA

High School: Valley Christian High School College: Stanford University

Club: Santa Clara Aquamaids

Olympic Experience: 2024 (Paris) - 2nd (Team)

Senior World Championship Experience: 2017 (11th - Technical Team, 12th - Free Team), 2023 (3rd - Technical Team, 9th - Free Team), 2024 (3rd Free Team)

Pan American Games Experience: 2023 Silver Medalist - Team

Career Accolades: U.S. Collegiate Solo, Duet and Team Champion, 2021 U.S. Collegiate Athlete of the Year, 5x All-American, U.S. Collegiate High Point Athlete, 2016 Junior World Championships (9th - Team, 11th - Duet), World Championship Medalist, Olympic Silver Medalist.

Personal: Is a second generation Vietnamese-American...Has a Bachelors degree in Psychology and Masters degree in Bioinformatics from Stanford University... Can play the piano and ukelele...Plans to work at the intersection of health and technology



ELLE SANTANA

DOB: 2/14/2006

Hometown: Gilbert, AZ

High School: ASU Prep Digital

Club: Arizona Desert Dolphins

Junior World Championship Experience:

2022 FINA Junior World Championships – 6th (Technical Team)

2024 Junior World Championships – 1st (Acrobatic Routine), 5th (Technical Team), 4th (Free Team)

Career Accolades: Member of the 2025 Senior National Team; debuted at the Paris World Cup

Personal: Started swimming at age 5 and has been playing piano for over 13 years



DANIELLA RAMIREZ

DOB: 10/6/2001

Birthplace: Indianapolis, IN

Hometown: Miami, Fla.

High School: Florida Virtual School College: University of California - Los Angeles

Club: Unaffiliated

Olympic Experience: 2024 (Paris) - 2nd (Team)

Senior World Championship Experience: 2019 (11th - Technical Team), 2022 (6th - Technical Team, 9th - Free Team, 5th - Highlight), 2023 (3rd - Technical Team, 9th - Free Team, 2nd - Acrobatic) 2024 (3rd - Acrobatic, 3rd Free Team)

Pan American Games Experience: 2019 (3rd - Team) 2023 Silver Medalist - Team

Career Accolades: World Championship Medalist, Olympic Silver Medalist
Personal: She is a third-generation artistic swimmer behind her grandmother, mother and sister... Her father and brother were both swimmers and divers... She is attending UCLA while training as a member of the national team... One of the first Team USA athletes to be able to receive in-state tuition at UCLA through the California Assembly Bill 2747

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EMMA MOORE

DOB: 1/26/2006

Hometown: Walnut Creek, CA

High School: Carondelet High School (currently attending UCLA)

Club: Walnut Creek Aquanauts

Junior World Championship Experience:

2024 Junior World Championships – 1st (Acrobatic Routine), 5th (Tech Team), 4th (Free Team)

Pan American Championships Experience: 2024 – 1st (Acrobatic Team), 1st (Free Team), 1st (Tech Team)

Career Accolades: Full-time member of the Senior National Team while attending UCLA

Personal: Began artistic swimming at age 7, plays multiple instruments, speaks three languages



KANAKO FIELD

DOB: 5/13/2010

Hometown: Cerritos, CA

School: Carmenita Middle School

Club: Golden State Aquabelles

Youth World Championship Experience: 2023 – 1st (Figures), 3rd (Duet), 2nd (Solo), 3rd (Team)

Career Accolades: Gold medalist in Figures, plus combined silver and bronze across Solo, Duet, and Team events at the 2023 Youth Worlds

Fun Facts: Half Japanese... Has two older sisters and one is an Paris Olympic Silver Medalist... She loves anime



NATALIA VEGA

DOB: 9/2/1998

Birthplace: Caguas, Puerto Rico

Hometown: Guaynabo, Calif.

High School: Valley Christian Schools

Club: Loyola Athletic Club, Town of Tonawanda Aquettes, Santa Clara Aquamermaids

Senior World Championship Experience: 2017 (11th - Technical Team, 12th - Free Team), 2019 (4th - Mixed Duet Technical and Free), 2022 (9th - Free Duet, 6th - Technical Team, 9th - Free Team, 5th - Highlight), 2023 (3rd - Acrobatic, 9th - Free Team) 2024 (3rd Free Team)

Personal: Has a Bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice from University of Incarnate Word...Her dad was a professional water polo player for the Puerto Rican national team



NIKKI DZURKO

DOB: 5/13/2000

Birthplace: Mountain View, Calif.

Hometown: Monte Sereno, Calif.

Education: The Ohio State University

Club: Santa Clara Aquamaids

Senior World Championship Experience: 2017 (11th - Technical Team, 12th - Free Team), 2023 (2nd - Acrobatic Team) 2024 (3rd Acrobatic)

Personal: She is a dual citizen in USA & Canada... Her mother was a synchronized swimmer... Has a Bachelors degree in Environmental Science, Sustainability and Business from The Ohio State University

