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## ‘Mermaids’ make a splash in Shanghai

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AN underwater visual feast by nearly 100 athletes from home and abroad was presented at Shanghai Haichang Ocean Park in the Pudong New Area last weekend.

The athletes were competing in the 2024 China Mermaid Open & International Mermaid Competition, with the park the site of the first leg of the contest. It was the first time an international professional “mermaid”

competition was held in Shanghai.

It drew nearly 100 top athletes from worldwide including countries of China, South Korea, and Kazakhstan. Among them, several were champions at previous events.

The venue of the competition has 7,500 cubic meters of water and nearly 50,000 fish of 10 species.

It is an arena of underwater performances with scenes of an “underwater dragon palace” created.



Nearly 100 top athletes from worldwide took part in the 2024 China Mermaid Open & International Mermaid Competition, offering a visual spectacular to tourists. — Ti Gong

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