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Gymnasts Return Home to Canada

A group of six women's artistic gymnasts have returned from a trip to Couer d'Alene, Idaho where they competed at the Great West Gym Fest. The team competed in the level 8 category in the US competitive system and brought home a second place team award.

Two years in a row, Sugar Tiner dominated the competition on the vault event winning the vault in her level and qualifying her for the 'Big Show' Finals. She qualified to this same position on the same event last year and defended her title once again winning the Level 8 vault title in the finals for level 8.

Kelly Atamanchuk competed in the level 8 Senior B age category where she finished with a bronze over all. She also took home two other bronze medals in the vault and the uneven bars taking home the most medals of any Okanagan athlete.

Sugar Tiner also competed in the level 8 Senior B age category.

Makinli Handley and Alison Watters competed in the Level 8 Junior B age category. Handley took home a gold medal on the vault in her age category and finished with a fourth overall. Watters finished sixth in this age category.

Handley finished with the highest all around score of all Okanagan athletes with a 35.375, placing her 10th out of 39 athletes when ranking the athletes from all of the age categories and flights combined.

In the level 8 Junior A category, Adele Lefevre the only Okanagan athlete in this category finished fourth over all. She finished with a bronze medal on the vault and balance beam and took home another fourth on the uneven bars.

Miranda Pineau competed in the level 8 Senior A age category and took home a silver on the vault.

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