

2011 Women's Artistic Gymnastics World Championships



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The Australian team then departed for Tokyo on the 30th September, and have been training at the competition venue and training hall all week.

The competition kicks off on Friday 7th October, with the first Qualifying event starting at 3.45 pm local time (5.45 pm AEST). The Team Finals will be held on Tuesday 11th October at 7.00 pm local time, with the Individual All Around Finals to be held on Thursday 13th October at 6.00 pm. Apparatus Finals will be held on Saturday 15th (Vault and Bars) and Sunday 16th (Beam and Floor).

Brennan, Brown and Monckton are joined on the Australian team by Lauren Mitchell (WAIS), Larissa Miller (QAS) and Emily Little (WAIS). Mitchell made history in the 2010 World Championships when she won gold in the Floor apparatus final.

The Australian team will be up against some of the world's best young gymnastics talent, from over 60 different countries. The 2011 World Championships also serves as the first qualifying event for London 2012 Olympic Games. The Australian women have their sights set on a top eight finish in Tokyo, which would qualify the team to the 2012 Olympics in London. Teams finishing ninth to 16th in Tokyo will get a second chance at qualification at the Olympic test event in January in London, where only four more teams will advance.

