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## Women in the spotlight

As more and more women joined the Parks, an increasing number of them progressed to every stage of FWS 2018. Their committed runs went over and above to offer the crowds some exceptional performances. With each edition, their development has continued, and the public is ever more aware of their participation. This year, women are in the spotlight as their sports expand across the world. Let's zoom in on some of the leading female athletes at FISE Chengdu!

Laury PEREZ – age 15 – FRANCE – BMX FREESTYLE PARK

Just after starting Scooter, this young Sérignaise discovered BMX. Adept at 360s, she loves big spines and trains every night after school to perfect new tricks. Thanks to strong family support, she hasn't missed a single stage of the FISE Xperience Series tour and has even been found on the ramps of the last stages of FWS.

Nikita DUCARROZ – age 23 – SWITZERLAND – BMX FREESTYLE PARK

Half Swiss, half American, this dynamic 22-year-old now lives in California, an ideal place because of its many Parks. For the past 8 years, Nikita has been madly keen on pedalling her 20-inch bike – as intense on a funbox as when promoting her discipline. She's extremely active on social media and works hard to increase the visibility of women in the world of BMX Freestyle.

Nina BUITRAGO – age 38 – USA – BMX FREESTYLE PARK

Nina is an iconic rider on the world BMX scene. Representative of female riders for UCI, she has recently been nominated by ESPN as one of the 20 toughest women in action sport. She demonstrates a passion for her role in women's BMX through her performances. Although Colorado might be her favourite place to ride, she has no problem leaving it for competitions around the world where she can showcase her skills.