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STORY HEADLINE: TAKERU KITAZONO AND GIORGIA VILLA WON THEIR SECOND GOLD MEDALS OF THE YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES BUENOS AIRES WHILE THERE WAS ALSO MEDAL SUCCESS FOR DEHANG YIN AND KSENIIA KLIMENKO

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STORY SCRIPT:
The gymnastics continued at the Youth Olympic Games Buenos Aires 2018 on Saturday (13th October).

Takeru Kitazono of Japan - the men’s all around gold medal winner - won his second of the Games.

He secured a points total of 13.633 in the men’s floor exercise final to take the gold medal.

Hungarian gymnast Krisztian Balazs took the silver medal with 13.600, while the bronze medal went to Sergei Naidin of Russia.

Giorgia Villa - winner of the women’s overall gold medal on Friday - collected her second gold medal of the Games by winning the vault.

The 2018 European junior champion, Villa produced a highly technical first effort with a difficulty rating of 5.400.

She executed it impressively to lead the standings after the first round, enabling her to go for a safer second vault and to heap the pressure on her rivals.

She duly took the gold medal with a total score of 14.233.

Fifteen year old Csenge BacsKay of Hungary took the silver medal with 13.933 while Canadian Emma Spence took bronze with 13.483.

The Men’s vault gold medal went to Dehang Yin of China.

He attempted an ambitious vault with a difficulty rating of 5500, and executed it well for a total score of 13.900.
Sergei Naidin of Russia clinched his second medal of the day - and this third of the Games - by taking the silver with his total of 13.500.

The bronze medal went to Iranian gymnast Reza Bohloulzade Hajlari.

The Women’s uneven bars was the last gymnastic medal of the day to be decided.

Fourteen year old Kseniia Klimenko of Russia won the gold medal with a score of 14.266.

Giorgia Villa took the silver medal - missing out on gold by just 0.100 - for her third medal of the Games.

The bronze medal was won by Xijing Tang of China, who had finished a frustrating fourth place in the women’s overall competition.

Her score was 13.900.

Buenos Aires 2018 is the third edition of the Summer Youth Olympic Games (YOG) to be held, bringing together the world’s best young athletes between the ages of 15 and 18. For the first time in Olympic history the Games will have gender equality, with equal numbers of males and females competing in the 32-sport programme.

Almost 4,000 athletes from 206 National Olympic Committees will be competing for 1,250 medals. The Youth Olympic Games Buenos Aires 2018 feature new sports and many new disciplines and events, reflecting the passions of the ‘Game Changers’, a new generation of athletes and fans.

The event offers a glimpse into the future of the Games as the new programme will introduce several innovations that will be replicated at the Olympic Games Tokyo 2020.

The first Summer Youth Olympic Games took place in Singapore in 2010. The second edition was held in the Chinese city of Nanjing in 2014.

SHOTLIST:

00:02 Action Takeru Kitazono’s Floor routine
00:12 Close Up of Kitazono celebrating
00:20 Kitazono receives medal

00:26 SOUNDBITE: Takeru Kitazono, Men’s Floor Champion (Japanese Language)
"やっぱり個人総合で取って、種目別も取るというのが目標で、床で取れてよかったんですけど、鞍馬で落下してしまったんで、まああんまり今は、嬉しい気持ちはないんですけど。まあ、床で取れたことは自信に変えてやっていきたいです。"
I am also aiming to win in every event after I won the gold medal in the individual all-around. I am delighted to have claimed a gold in the floor exercise, but I shouldn’t be excited as I fell off the pommel horse. Anyway, I restored confidence by capturing a gold in the floor exercise.

00:47 Kitazono on the podium

00:51 SOUNDBITE: Takeru Kitazono, Men’s Floor Champion (Japanese Language)
As for the triple twisting, I think the last triple twist landing was a decisive factor, and I landed steadily as I expected. That was great.

01:03 Flags being raised
01:07 Close up of medallists
01:10 Close up Dehang Yin beginning Pommel Horse routine
01:22 Dehang Yin receiving medal

01:28 SOUNDBITE: Dehang Yin, Men’s Pommel Horse Champion (Chinese Language)
“都...每个人都努力了，也不是只有我一个人努力，努力也不是值得称道的，我觉得这是应该的努力，然后获得这样的收获，我觉得也算运气比较好吧。”
Everyone has trained hard to get here so it is not just me alone. We should all receive the same praise for this but I’m very happy to be here in the competition.

01:50 Dehang Yin on podium
01:54 Flags being raised

01:58 SOUNDBITE: Dehang Yin, Men’s Pommel Horse Champion (Chinese Language)
“嗯，我当时心情非常激动。我希望在后面的比赛还能听到国歌，还能看到国旗升起。”
I was very excited on the podium. It was very exciting to hear my national anthem and see my flag go up. I would like to have this experience of winning a gold medal again so I can experience it once again.

02:09 Close up medallists
02:13 Close up Kseniia Klimenko preparing for her Uneven Bars routine
02:17 Various Klimenko’s Uneven Bars routine
02:26 Klimenko celebrates Uneven Bar win
02:30 Klimenko receives medal

02:37 SOUNDBITE: Kseniia Klimenko, Women’s Uneven Bars Champion (Russian Language)
“Когда сделал брусья, у меня появилась уверенность в то, что я могу выиграть лучше.”
When I made the bars final, I had the confidence that I could win!

02:43 Klimenko on podium
02:49 Close up of flags

02:54 SOUNDBITE: Kseniia Klimenko, Women’s Uneven Bars Champion (Russian Language)
“После того, как я сделала брусья, я сразу знала точно, что я не прямо могу выиграть, потому что Джорджия Вилла тоже могла опередить, а так, ну”
After I did the bars, I immediately knew for sure that I could not win, because Georgia Villa could have outscored me.

03:11 Close up of medallists

03:13 SOUNDBITE: Kseniia Klimenko, Women’s Uneven Bars Champion (Russian Language)
“Нет, они как были такие, такие и есть. Ну, я встречалась с ними много раз, я их видела — хорошие.”
No, they were as they are. I've met them many times. I saw them - they are nice.

03:24 Close up Giorgia Villa ahead of Vault
03:28 Giorgia Villa vaults
03:35 Villa receives medal

03:41 SOUNDBITE: Giorgia Villa, winner Women’s Vault (Italian Language)
“Si ho fatto tanti sacrifici, mi sono allenata molto però ne è valsa la pena.”
Yes, I made many sacrifices, I trained a lot, but it was worth it.

03:46 Villa on podium
03:49 Close up flags

03:54 SOUNDBITE: Giorgia Villa, Women's Vault Champion (Italian Language)
“Bè un'emozione grandissima e sono molto contenta delle gare che sto facendo, adesso devo fare ancora il parallelo, speriamo bene.”
It's a great emotion, I'm very happy with the competition I'm doing. Now I have to do the Uneven Bars. I hope it goes well.

04:03 Close up medallists

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