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Paris 2024: Match
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Women’s panel**



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FINLAY BROWN (SCOTLAND/GREAT BRITAIN) [PROFILE >>](#)

- Age: 30
- First Olympic Games
- Refereed in the World Rugby Sevens Repechage in Monaco in June
- Made refereeing debut on World Rugby Sevens Series in Vancouver in 2021 season
- Refereed 20 World Series tournaments (six men’s, 14 women’s), including five rounds of the 2024 series
- Refereed 101 World Series matches (37 men’s, 64 women’s)
- Taken charge of two Cup finals, both in the 2023 season in Cape Town and Sydney
- Refereed at Commonwealth Games 2022 in Birmingham
- Refereed at the World Rugby Sevens Repechage in Monaco in June 2021
- Refereed two tests in 15s

CRAIG CHAN (HONG KONG CHINA) [PROFILE >>](#)

- Age: 31
- First Olympic Games
- Third official from Hong Kong China to referee at an Olympic Games after Gabriel Lee (Rio 2016) and Matt Rodden (Tokyo 2020)
- Refereed in the World Rugby Sevens Repechage in Monaco in June
- Made refereeing debut on World Rugby Sevens Series in Singapore in 2022 season
- Refereed 17 World Series tournaments (four men’s, 13 women’s), including six rounds of the 2024 series
- Refereed 90 World Series matches (24 men’s, 66 women’s)
- Taken charge of four Cup finals, including in Dubai and Perth on the 2024 series
- Refereed at the Asian Games in 2018
- Refereed two tests in 15s
- Born in Canada, his family moved back to Hong Kong when he was three

TALAL CHAUDHRY (CANADA) [PROFILE >>](#)

- Age: 34
- First Olympic Games
- Made refereeing debut on World Rugby Sevens Series in Vancouver in 2021 season
- Refereed 13 World Series tournaments (four men’s, nine women’s), including five on the 2024 series
- Refereed 67 World Series matches (22 men’s, 45 women’s)
- Refereed at Commonwealth Games 2022 in Birmingham
- Refereed three tests in 15s
- Born in Pakistan and raised in Dubai, he moved to Canada when he was six

MAGGIE COGGER-ORR (NEW ZEALAND) [PROFILE >>](#)

- Age: 32
- First Olympic Games
- Made refereeing debut on World Rugby Sevens Series in Hamilton in 2023 season
- Refereed six World Series tournaments, including five on the 2024 series
- Refereed 25 World Series matches (all women’s)
- Refereed at Women’s Rugby World Cup 2021, taking charge of three matches
- Refereed 19 tests in 15s, including four so far in 2024 across the Women’s Six Nations and World Rugby Pacific Four Series and Fiji v Japan
- Works as Women’s Referee Development Manager for New Zealand Rugby
- Born in Canada, she moved to New Zealand to complete a year of specialist teacher training and stayed

ANO KUWAI (JAPAN) [PROFILE >>](#)

- Age: 34
- First Olympic Games as referee
- Will become the first to both play and officiate at an Olympic Games when she takes charge of New Zealand v China on 28 July
- Played for Japan at Rio 2016, starting all five matches and scoring their first-ever Olympic try, in their third match against hosts Brazil
- Played 13 tournaments on the World Series, from 2013-18
- Made refereeing debut on World Rugby Sevens Series in Hong Kong on 2023 season
- Refereed five World Series tournaments, four of them on the 2024 series
- Refereed 17 World Series matches (all women’s)
- Made her test debut (15s) in October 2023 with Ireland v Colombia in WXV 3 in Dubai.

MARIA LATOS (GERMANY) [PROFILE >>](#)

- Age: 35
- First Olympic Games
- First rugby sevens official from Germany selected for an Olympic Games
- Refereed in the World Rugby Sevens Repechage in Monaco in June
- Made refereeing debut on World Rugby Sevens Series in Dubai on 2024 season
- Refereed four World Series tournaments
- Refereed 18 World Series matches (all women’s)
- Taken charge of one Cup final, in her second tournament in Cape Town in December
- Refereed seven tests in 15s

FRANCISCO ‘CISCO’ LOPEZ (USA) [PROFILE >>](#)

- Age: 29
- First Olympic Games
- First male rugby sevens official from USA selected for an Olympic Games
- Refereed in the World Rugby Sevens Repechage in Monaco in June
- Made refereeing debut on World Rugby Sevens Series in Edmonton on 2021 season
- Refereed 15 World Series tournaments (three men’s, 12 women’s), including five on the 2024 series
- Refereed 80 World Series matches (17 men’s, 63 women’s)
- Taken charge of one Cup final, in Vancouver in the 2023 series
- Refereed at Rugby World Cup Sevens 2022 in South Africa

- His father Pancho is a former national 400m hurdles champion for Mexico who narrowly missed out on selection for the 1988 Olympic Games in Seoul

TYLER MILLER (AUSTRALIA) [PROFILE >>](#)

- Age: 29
- Second Olympic Games
- Refereed two women’s matches at Tokyo 2020 (ROC 35-12 KEN, CAN 45-0 BRA)
- Made refereeing debut on World Rugby Sevens Series in Paris in 2018 season
- Refereed 12 World Series tournaments, including four on the 2024 series
- Refereed 48 World Series matches (all women’s)
- Refereed at Rugby World Cup Sevens 2022 in South Africa
- Refereed at Commonwealth Games 2022 in Birmingham
- Made her test debut in April with USA v Canada in the World Rugby Pacific Four Series 2024 in Los Angeles
- Refereed two tests, including Fiji v Japan on 14 June
- Acted as an assistant referee for Women’s Rugby World Cup 2021 in New Zealand
- Born in New Zealand, she moved to Australia at the age of five

LAVENIA RACACA (FIJI) [PROFILE >>](#)

- Age: 28
- First Olympic Games
- Created history as the first Fijian female to referee on the World Rugby Sevens Series in Perth, Australia, in January
- Spotted refereeing in the Oceania Rugby Women’s Sevens Championship 2023 by World Rugby Sevens Referee Manager Paddy O’Brien and fast-tracked onto 2024 series
- Refereed two World Series tournaments, both on 2024 series
- Refereed eight World Series matches (all women’s)
- Her idol was Jerry Tuwai, Fiji’s double Olympic gold medallist, and she dreamed of playing like him until injuries led her to turn to refereeing
- Refereed five tests in 15s, including three in the Oceania Rugby Women’s Championship 2024 in May-June.

KAT ROCHE (USA) [PROFILE >>](#)

- Age: 29
- First Olympic Games
- First female rugby sevens official from USA selected for an Olympic Games
- Handed the honour of refereeing the opening match, between Ireland and Great Britain on 28 July
- Refereed in the World Rugby Sevens Repechage in Monaco in June
- Made refereeing debut on World Rugby Sevens Series in Langford in 2022 season
- Refereed 12 World Series tournaments, including five on 2024 series
- Refereed 62 World Series matches (all women’s)
- Taken charge of her first three Cup finals this season, in Vancouver, Los Angeles and Singapore
- Acted as an assistant referee for Women’s Rugby World Cup 2021 in New Zealand
- Refereed 10 tests in 15s, including two in the Women’s Six Nations in 2024
- First female to referee a match in Major League Rugby in the USA
- Acted an assistant referee for two men’s tests this month, Canada v Scotland on 6 July and Canada v Romania on 12 July

GEORGE SELWOOD (ENGLAND, GREAT BRITAIN) [PROFILE >>](#)

- Age: 28
- First Olympic Games
- Refereed in the World Rugby Sevens Repechage men’s event in Monaco in June
- Made refereeing debut on World Rugby Sevens Series in Vancouver in 2023 series
- Refereed 11 World Series tournaments (eight women’s, three men’s), including six on the 2024 series
- Refereed 56 World Series matches (12 men’s, 44 women’s)
- Taken charge of four Cup finals, including two on the 2024 series in Hong Kong and Madrid
- An ambassador for Alopecia UK having been diagnosed with the condition in 2022

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