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The pageant gathered a record 125 delegates from around the globe, crowning Victoria Kjaer Theilvig of Denmark as Miss Universe 2024.

Lim's performance during the preliminary round last Thursday captivated the selection committee.

"I am very grateful and honoured to represent Malaysia. I have always aimed for a placement and it has

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► Sandra Lim's placement is historic for country, breaking 54-year interval

been my dream to make Malaysia proud. This achievement is dedicated to my country, family, friends, the Miss Universe Malaysia Organisation

team and all my fans who have supported me every step of the way," said Lim in a statement yesterday. Lim brought the Malaysian

heritage to life on stage with a Princess Walinong Sari-inspired national costume by Ezuwan Ismail. In the National Costume segment,

Lim showcased her martial arts skills with a *wushu* performance.

A multi-talented actress, model and martial artist, Lim has excelled in various fields, including earning first runner-up at an international pageant in 2022 and a national *wushu* gold medal earned at just 13.



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