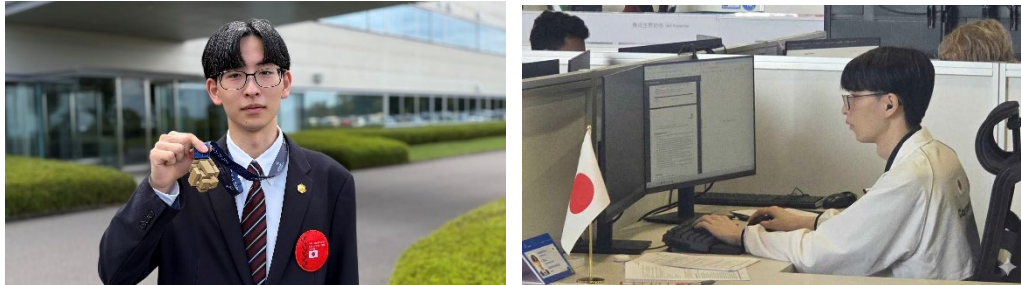


Epson Employee Awarded Medal for Excellence at WorldSkills Shanghai 2026

- TOKYO, Japan, October 14, 2026-

Seiko Epson Corporation (TSE: 6724, "Epson") today announced that employee Yu Sugishita received a Medal for Excellence in Web Technologies at the 48th WorldSkills Competition (WorldSkills Shanghai 2026). Sugishita represented Japan at the competition, which was held in Shanghai, China, from September 22 to 27, 2026.



(Left) Yu Sugishita; (Right) Sugishita competing in Web Technologies at WorldSkills Shanghai 2026

Sugishita earned a gold medal in Web Design at Japan's 63rd National Skills Competition, held in Aichi Prefecture in October 2025, and was subsequently selected to represent Japan in Web Technologies at WorldSkills Shanghai 2026. The skill competition brought together 33 competitors from 33 countries and regions. Sugishita received a Medal for Excellence, an award presented to competitors who achieve an internationally recognized standard of excellence.

■ Award Recipient

- Name: Yu Sugishita
- Affiliation: IT Planning and Design Department, Seiko Epson Corporation
- Award: Medal for Excellence
- Skill: Web Technologies — Competitors are assessed on their ability to design and develop websites and web applications, including design, implementation, user experience, accessibility, and quality.

■ Comment from Yu Sugishita

"I am delighted to have competed alongside some of the world's most talented competitors and to have received a Medal for Excellence. I am deeply grateful to my instructors and to everyone at work who supported me throughout my training. The competition gave me an invaluable opportunity to learn from the skills and approaches of competitors from around the world. I will apply what I learned to my work and share the experience with younger colleagues. I will continue striving to contribute to the development of better products and services."

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Epson has also participated in Japan's National Skills Competition since 1971 as part of its efforts to pass on advanced skills and develop young professionals.

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- [Developing Young Technicians through National Skills Competition \(Epson Technology - Keeping tradition alive\)](#)

About the WorldSkills Competition

First held in 1950, the WorldSkills Competition is an international event that brings together young professionals from countries and regions around the world to demonstrate their vocational skills. The competition is generally held every two years. WorldSkills Shanghai 2026 took place in Shanghai, China, from September 22 to 27, 2026, and featured 1,372 competitors from 65 countries and regions across 64 skills.

- Official website: WorldSkills Shanghai 2026 — <https://worldskills2026.com/>
- Web Technologies results: <https://worldskills2026.com/skills/web-technologies/#results>

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