

Sunisa Lee Channels Ballet-Chic in Pink at 2025 CFDA Awards

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Sunisa Lee — celebrated Olympic gymnast and recent runway figure — made a striking transition from athletic icon to fashion star at the 2025 CFDA Fashion Awards. Her presence at the event signals not only a shift from performance leotards to high-glam eveningwear, but also a conscious move into the fashion spotlight.

The Look: Ballet Pink with a Twist

For the evening, Lee wore a **strapless gown in soft ballet pink**, which featured a plunging neckline and a bodice adorned with criss-crossing ribbon embroidery that evoked the laces of a ballet slipper.

The skirt tapered into a ruffled hem and extended into a dramatic train that “completely engulfed her shoes.”

Styling Details: Accessories & Hair

Lee accessorised with a **minuscule handbag shaped like a suede chest**, complete with baby-pink tassels — a playful yet chic complement to the gown.

- It shows her expanding beyond her sport persona into the broader world of fashion and celebrity.
- The gown’s design gives a nod to classic femininity (ballet references) while remaining fresh and youthful.
- Her accessories and hair choices indicate a strong sense of styling awareness — minimal, cohesive and intentional.

Her hair was pulled into a **tight bun**, with a few loose strands softly framing one side of her face. Lee’s transformation from athletic garb to red-carpet glamour is notable. By choosing a look that draws from ballet — one of grace, movement and poise. She’s aligning her fashion identity with those same themes: elegance, control, and a willingness to evolve. Moreover, the colour choice and styling suggest that she’s embracing femininity in a refined, modern way — without resorting to over-embellishment.

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