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Defending champion **Inna Zhukova** of Belarus swept the all-around and all four events at the 25th L.A. Lights Rhythmic International, held Jan. 19-21 in Culver City, Calif.

Zhukova, who placed seventh at the 2004 Athens Olympic Games and sixth at the 2005 World Championships, outscored teammate **Lyubov Charkashina** at the competition hosted by the Los Angeles School of Gymnastics. Israel's

Irina Risenson

was third, followed by U.S. champion

Lisa Wang

in fourth. At the 2005 Worlds, Charkashina and Risenson finished 12th and 13th, respectively.

In addition to her all-around silver medal, Charkashina won silver medals with rope, hoop and clubs and the bronze medal with ribbon. Risenson won three event bronze medals and the silver with ribbon.

Ukraine's **Daria Kushnerova** dominated the junior division, winning the all-around and three events. **Marlee Shape**, the 2006 U.S. junior all-around silver medalist, won rope.

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Senior All-Around

1. Inna Zhukova BLR 68.850
2. Lyubov Charkashina BLR 64.525
3. Irina Risenson ISR 63.625
4. Lisa Wang USA North Shore 57.400
5. Irina Kovalchuk UKR 57.000
6. Kimberly Mason AUS 54.425
7. Rachel Girma USA (LA Lights) 54.250
8. Yekaterina Ukrainskaya RUS 53.825
9. Annika Rejek GER 52.600
10. Julie Zetlin USA (Rhythmflex) 52.200
11. Alexandra Martincek CAN (Sport Seneca) 50.950
12. Javaldi Zeynab AZE 50.775

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Junior All-Around

1. Daria Kushnerova UKR 57.975
2. Valeria Korostelyova BLR 55.125
3. Marlee Shape USA (North Shore) 54.350
4. Yekaterina Andreychuk RUS 50.275
5. Anastasia Romanuk GER 49.275
6. Sofia Anshakova RUS 48.200
7. Massiel Verastegui MEX 45.900
8. Kristina Gukova GER 45.475
9. Savannah Reynolds USA (Calif. Rhythm) 44.850
10. Nicole Wagner GER 44.650
11. Anastasia Torba USA (Allegro) 44.150
12. Lidia Misyura CAN (Kalev) 42.100