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## Beauty pageant for men

**TAIPEI:** Swimwear, evening wear and polished lines will decide the winner of an international beauty pageant in Taiwan this weekend, but dresses, eyeshadow and long hair are out — this contest is only for men.

After two weeks of practising dance steps and fine-toning muscles, contestants from 28 countries will walk down a catwalk in central Taiwan on Saturday to be crowned as the world's most handsome man in a contest that's becoming more popular.

"Women can do it, so guys can do it, too" said Christine Huang, the pageant's hostess in Taiwan.

"You see negative press about some of the women's contests, but this one's going to be pretty conservative."

Pageant producer, the Mister Singapore Organisation, has held a Mister International pageant annually since 2006 largely to raise HIV/AIDS awareness, though there are no AIDS-specific activities scheduled this year, Huang said. — Reuters