

= Saint Vincent and the Grenadines at the 2008 Summer Olympics =

Saint Vincent and the Grenadines sent a delegation to compete at the 2008 Summer Olympics in Beijing , China . The year 's team included two athletes engaged in track and field events (Kineke Alexander and Jared Lewis) , and was accompanied by the team coach , manager , and chaperone . Saint Vincent and the Grenadines ' appearance in Beijing marked its sixth consecutive Olympic appearance since its 1988 debut in Seoul , South Korea , and its smallest delegation to date . Alexander bore the flag of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines in the opening ceremony and neither athlete medaled in their events or advanced to later rounds .

= = Background = =

Saint Vincent and the Grenadines debuted in the Olympic Games at the 1988 Summer Olympics in Seoul , South Korea and , as of 2008 , has participated in every edition since . The Beijing Games marked the smallest Vincentian delegation in the country 's history , the size having declined over the years from its largest delegation of eight participants at the 1996 Summer Olympics in Atlanta . At the conclusion of the 2008 Summer Olympics , Saint Vincent and the Grenadines ' team has yet to medal in an event . The delegation arrived in Beijing on 28 July 2008 , and stayed in the Olympic Village for the duration of their time in China . The Vincentians arrived early , three days after the Village itself opened , to make adjusting to the new environment easier . The delegation was accompanied by coach Gideon Labban ; team manager Leroy Llewellyn ; and chaperone Jacintha Ballantyne . Kineke Alexander was the flagbearer at the opening ceremony , leading Saint Vincent and the Grenadines as the 64th nation in line .

= = Athletics = =

The athletes competing on behalf of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines competed in track and field . Kineke Alexander participated in the women 's 400 m sprint , while Jared Lewis took part in the men 's 100 m sprint . Neither medaled or advanced to subsequent rounds .

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Note ? Ranks given for track events are within the athlete 's heat only