

Coding Lady 2026, a Non-Profit AI Hackathon for Women, Concludes in Beijing: 900+ Entrants and What Women Build with AI

900+ women, 162 teams and 12 finalists gathered in Beijing for Coding Lady 2026, an AI hackathon empowering women to build with AI.

BEIJING, BEIJING, CHINA, August 6, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- More than 900 women registered for the first edition of [Coding Lady](#) 2026 “She Creates,” which held its Demo Day finals in Beijing on July 25-26. They formed 162 teams; 12 reached the final stage. Coding Lady is a non-profit hackathon for women learning and building with AI, founded by Yuanyuan Li, co-founder of [Mobvoi](#) (HKEX: 02438), and Xiao Wang, founder of Chenzao.



Participants and judges listen closely during a Demo Day presentation at Coding Lady 2026 in Beijing.

Registrants joined from more than 20 cities across China as well as the United States, Japan and Singapore. Of 92 teams that submitted a working project online, 16 advanced to the finals and 12 traveled to Beijing for two days of on-site building and the Demo Day finale, building their prototypes on [CodeBanana](#), Mobvoi’s AI coding agent platform.

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Yuanyuan Li, Co-Founder of Coding Lady 2026 and Mobvoi

The competition was organized around the “Five Kinds of Time” framework developed by Xiao Wang: Survival, Earning, Beauty, Play and Flow, which together make up an ordinary life. Participants chose one category from their own experience and used AI and coding tools to turn it into a working, demonstrable prototype.

“Over the past nine years, humans have taught machines how to focus, while our own attention has been steadily fragmented,” Yuanyuan Li said in her opening keynote, citing Google’s 2017

paper Attention Is All You Need. “When AI can execute anything, it becomes essential that humans assign meaning.” Every team was required to fill two roles: a full-stack engineer and a “human communicator” responsible for who the product was for and why it should exist.

The Demo Day judging panel of 15 women spanned venture capital, technology, brand, education, media and culture, including Emma Yin (Partner, ZhenFund), Dr. Shuo Huang (Qiming Venture Partners) and Yoyo Yang (Makers Fund), among others.

Eight prizes were awarded across three overall categories and five special categories. The top Supernova Award (Gold), carrying a RMB 10,000 cash prize, went to team Gogogo!, made up of high school students aged 17-18. Their project, Her Firsts, is a simulation game rehearsing the “firsts” of adult life, from renting an apartment to a first business trip. Team The Growth Curators won the Gravity Award (Silver) for Baby Moves! — A Motion Picture Book, and team AAA won the Momentum Award (Bronze) for Empress at Court: An AI Flow Map for Working Women. Five special awards went to The Unmuted, She Helps Her, Tomato First Lady, PMOS Peace Corps and Breath of Abundance.

The 12 finalist projects addressed women’s health, career growth, emotional regulation and self-expression. AI is lowering the barrier to technical execution, but it does not replace lived experience, insight or judgment. Women are no longer only users of new technology — they are becoming the ones who define the problems and build the products.

Coding Lady 2026 was supported by Raycom Info Tech Park, which provided the venue, along with eleven partner organizations including ZhenFund, Google GDG Women Techmakers, WaytoAGI and Makers Fund.

About Coding Lady

Coding Lady is a non-profit hackathon for women learning and building with AI, founded in 2026 by Yuanyuan Li, co-founder of Mobvoi (HKEX: 02438), and Xiao Wang, founder of Chenzao. It holds that women are not only users of technology but can be the ones who define problems and create products. The inaugural hackathon was held in Beijing in July 2026, drawing more than 900 registrants across 162 teams.

Website: <https://codinglady.codebanana.com.cn/>

About Mobvoi and CodeBanana

Mobvoi is an innovative AI tech company with in-house core technologies in speech recognition, natural language understanding and vertical search. Its core consumer products include the TicWatch line of smartwatches and the AI voice recorder TicNote. Mobvoi is listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange (HKEX: 02438).

CodeBanana(www.codebanana.com) is Mobvoi’s AI coding agent platform, bringing large language models into everyday development workflows so teams and individuals can build, code and ship with AI-native tools. CodeBanana served as the official AI coding platform for Coding Lady 2026, powering every team’s prototype development.

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