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Membership Renewals for 2017-2018 Season Now Open

Registration for the 2017-2018 season is now open through EntryEeze. EntryEeze includes links to our waivers, releases, consent for medical treatment, SafeSport pledges, and volunteers areas. Please read through these documents carefully as your processed application is your legal acceptance of these wavers and rules.

If you are competing or testing at a U.S. Figure Skating sanctioned event that begins on or after July 1, you must renew your membership prior to the application deadline. Please allow ample time for your membership to be processed. Coaches must complete renewals before July 1 to avoid a late fee penalty.

If you have not fulfilled your service hours requirement for 2016-2017, you will be unable to register until you satisfy this obligation. Please contact membership chair Francesca Sichenze-Bryant with any questions through our website at Atlantafsc.org.



Another Successful Atlanta Open!

Nearly 300 skaters participated in the 2017 Atlanta Open, representing 37 U.S. Figure Skating clubs and 15 states from the Southeast west to Arizona and north to New York. Many thanks to our officials, volunteers, and especially to competition chair Christi Fisher and the LOC chairs for a well-managed event.

Congratulations to Our Medalists

GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE	PEWTER
Leia Beinenson	Grace Bell	Leia Beinenson	AnneMarie Ahlin
Isabel Bobrik	Elisa Bode	Grace Bell	Claire Cameron
Elisa Bode	Brynn Cartagena	Brynn Cartagena	Brynn Cartagena
Jeslyn Choi	Grace Crossen	Jeslyn Choi	Emily Cornelison
Emily Cornelison	Elizabeth Douglas	Tiffany Hatzikoutelis	Audrey Kate Johnson
Tim Dolensky	Helena Fisher	Emma Grace James	Audrey Latham
Madeline Freeman	Tiffany Hatzikoutelis	Audrey Kate Johnson	Mingda Liu
Emma Grace James	Katia Kochengina	Elvira Junnila	Kaitlyn Plaziak
Terry Kim	Varnika Kosaraju	Madeline Lampert	Chloe Rutter
Katia Kochengina	Madison Long	Audrey Latham	Alexandra Traber
Yasmine Manafi	Amelia Marsh	Yasmine Manafi	Annamarie Valeacruz
Alyx McCarthy	Anna McPeak	Kaitlyn McGarigle	Ashley Weller
Kaitlyn McGarigle	Alexa Phillips	Anna McPeak	Sadie Womack
Melanie Schael	Gaia Shamis	Clara Owen	
Gaia Shamis	Soucci Taylor	Kaitlyn Plaziak	
Serena Shang	Emily Troncalli	Nancy Ellis Riggs	
Breele Taylor	Anna Windley	Chloe Rutter	
Soucci Taylor	Lilly Wood	Bailey Snead	
Adeline Wieler	Hasita Yalamanchili	Emily Troncalli	
Berkeley Williams	April Zhang	Adeline Wieler	
Regan Williams		Anna Windley	
Lilly Wood			

Board of Directors Officers Elected

Congratulations to our newly elected 2016-2017 Board of Directors officers:

President	Kathy Shehee
1st Vice President	John Millier
2nd Vice President	Jennifer Latham
Secretary	Lori Malthaner
Treasurer	Judith Flair

Appointed to serve the remaining one-year terms of board members who have vacated their positions are Sharon Hyre, Lori Malthaner (both senior), and Victoria Williams (junior).

Many thanks to outgoing board members Karen Crossen, Christi Fisher, Lori McGarigle, Amy Moosbrugger, and PJ Whalen for your invaluable years of service.



ATLANTA OPEN EXHIBITION May 26



Mingda Liu (Junior), Elizabeth Douglas, Kaity McGarigle (both Juvenile), Jeslyn Choi (Intermediate), Nile Ziegler (Novice)



Melanie Schael (Pre-Juvenile), Olivia Kim, Chloe Rutter, Katia Kochengina (all Juvenile), Emma Grace James (Pre-Juvenile)



Hasita Yalamanchili (Pre-Preliminary), Audrey Latham, Anna McPeak, Katie Palmer (all Preliminary)



Maddie Lampert (Pre-Preliminary), Amelia Marsh (High Beginner), Leia Beinenson (Pre-Preliminary), Varnika Kosaraju (No Test)



Atlanta Open Member Results

SENIOR MEN - Tim Dolensky

Short Program 1st/1

MASTERS - Junior/Senior

Free Skate

Alexandra McCarthey 1st/1

Lt. Entertainment Show.

Alexandra McCarthey 1st/1

JUNIOR LADIES - Mingda Liu

Free Skate 7th/7

Short Program 4th/7

NOVICE LADIES

Free Skate, Grp. B

Nile Ziegler 6th/11

Short Program, Grp. A

Nile Ziegler 6th/7

Short Program, Grp. B

Hannah Carleton 5th/7

INTERMEDIATE LADIES

Final

Jeslyn Choi 1st/12

Elvira Junnila 6th/12

Free Skate, Grp. A

Jeslyn Choi 3rd/9

Kaitlyn Plaziak 8th/9

Free Skate, Grp. B

Elvira Junnila 3rd/9

Short Program, Grp. A

Jeslyn Choi 1st/11

Katia Kochengina 2nd/11

Elvira Junnila 6th/11

Short Program, Grp. B

Kaitlyn McGarigle 6th/12

Trinity Fong 8th/12

Kaitlyn Plaziak 12th/12

Spins

Adeline Wieler 1st/1

JUVENILE/OPEN JUVENILE

Short Program

Madeline Freeman 1st/10

Madison Long 2nd/10

Chloe Rutter 3rd/10

Elizabeth Douglas 5th/10

Melanie Schael 6th/10

Bailey Snead 7th/10

Spins

Emma Grace James 1st/3

Jumps

Emma Grace James 1st/3

JUVENILE GIRLS

Final

Kaitlyn McGarigle 1st/12

Katia Kochengina 4th/12

Chloe Rutter 7th/12

Adeline Wieler 9th/12

Trinity Fong 10th/12

Madison Long 11th/12

Free Skate, Grp. A

Kaitlyn McGarigle 3rd/8

Chloe Rutter 4th/8

Olivia Kim 8th/8

Free Skate, Grp. B

Katia Kochengina 1st/10

Adeline Wieler 3rd/10

Trinity Fong 5th/10

Madison Long 6th/10

Madeline Freeman 7th/10

Free Skate, Test Track

Isabel Bobrik 1st/8

Grace Crossen 2nd/8

Audrey Kate Johnson 4th/8



PRE-JUVENILE

Free Skate, Grp. A

Melanie Schael 1st/6

Free Skate, Grp. B

Bailey Snead 3rd/5

Free Skate, Grp. C

Elizabeth Douglas 2nd/5

Emma Grace James 3rd/5

Free Skate, Test Track

Regan Williams 1st/3

Alexa Phillips 2nd/3

Compulsory Moves

Audrey Latham 3rd/6

Spins, Grp. A

Audrey Latham 1st/4

Spins, Grp. B

Alexa Phillips 2nd/3

Jumps

Anna McPeak 2nd/4

Audrey Latham 4th/4

PRELIMINARY

Free Skate, Grp. A

Audrey Latham 5th/6

Sarah Cairo 6th/6

Free Skate, Grp. B

Cristanne Goodwin 5th/6

Katie Palmer 6th/6

Free Skate, Grp. C

Terry Kim 2nd/7

Anna McPeak 3rd/7

Compulsory Moves, Grp. A

Ava Windley 6th/8

Compulsory Moves, Grp. B

Elisa Bode 2nd/8

Spins, Grp. A

Clara Owen 3rd/4

Jumps

Hasita Yalamanchili 8th/9

Ava Windley 9th/9

Lt. Entertainment Show.

Cristanne Goodwin 8th/10

PRE-PRELIMINARY**Free Skate, Grp. B**

Hasita Yalamanchili	2nd/5
Clara Owen	5th/5

Free Skate, Grp. C

Ava Windley	6th/6
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Free Skate, Grp. D

Elisa Bode	1st/6
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Free Skate, Test Track

Leia Beinenson	1st/7
Madeline Lampert	3rd/7
Ashley Weller	4th/7
Emily Troncalli	5th/7
Chloe Malenfant	6th/7

Compulsory Moves, Grp. A

Anna Windley	3rd/4
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Compulsory Moves, Grp. B

Hasita Yalamanchili	2nd/4
Clara Owen	3rd/4

Spins

Ava Windley	3rd/6
Anna Windley	5th/6

Jumps

Anna Windley	2nd/6
Clara Owen	3rd/6
Varnika Kosaraju	5th/6

NO TEST**Free Skate, Grp. B**

Anna Windley	3rd/6
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Free Skate, Grp. C

Annamarie Valecruz	4th/7
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Free Skate, Grp. D

Varnika Kosaraju	2nd/7
Lilly Wood	6th/7

Compulsory Moves, Grp. A

Leia Beinenson	3rd/5
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Compulsory Moves, Grp. B

Lilly Wood	3rd/4
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Lt. Entertainment Show.

Emily Troncalli	2nd/3 T
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Spins

Lilly Wood	1st/4
Emily Troncalli	3rd/4

Jumps

Lilly Wood	3rd/4
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HIGH BEGINNER**Free Skate, Grp. A**

Brynn Cartagena	6th/9
Serena Shang	7th/9

Free Skate, Grp. B

April Zhang	1st/8
Amelia Marsh	2nd/8
Mia Calabrese	5th/8
Grayson Snow	8th/8

Free Skate, Grp. C

Grace Bell	3rd/9
Emily Cornelison	4th/9
Sadie Womack	8th/9

Compulsory Moves, Grp. A

April Zhang	2nd/5
Brynn Cartagena	4th/5

Compulsory Moves, Grp. B

Berkeley Williams	1st/4T
Serena Shang	1st/4T

Compulsory Moves, Grp. C

Emily Cornelison	1st/5
Grace Bell	3rd/5
Sadie Womack	4th/5
Grayson Snow	5th/5

Spins

April Zhang	1st/4
Brynn Cartagena	4th/4

Jumps, Grp. A

Brynn Cartagena	2nd/4
April Zhang	3rd/4

Jumps, Grp. B

Emily Cornelison	1st/4
Grace Bell	2nd/4

Lt. Entertainment Show.

Berkeley Williams	1st/3
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**BEGINNER****Free Skate, Grp. A**

Alexandra Traber	4th/7
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Free Skate, Grp. B

Yasmine Manafi	1st/8
AnneMarie Ahlin	4th/8
Claire Cameron	5th/8
Alexis Chiang	6th/8
Noelle Chatigny	7th/8

Compulsory Moves

Yasmine Manafi	3rd/5
Claire Cameron	4th/5

ADULT SILVER**Free Skate**

Nancy Ellis Riggs	3rd/3
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ADULT BRONZE**Dram. Entertainment Show.**

Gaia Shamis	1st/1
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ADULT PRE-BRONZE**Free Skate, Grp. A**

Gaia Shamis	2nd/5
Cathy Sabella	5th/5



SOLO DANCE

PATTERN DANCE

INTERNATIONAL - Soucci Taylor

Final	2nd/3
Silver Samba	2nd/3
Tango Romantica	2nd/3

SILVER - Tiffany Hatzikoutelis

Final	3rd/4
American Waltz	1st/4
Tango	4th/4

PRE-SILVER

Final	
Kaitlyn Plaziak	3rd/6
Stephanie Brimeyer	6th/6

Fourteenstep

Kaitlyn Plaziak	4th/6
Stephanie Brimeyer	6th/6

Foxtrot

Kaitlyn Plaziak	2nd/6
Stephanie Brimeyer	6th/6

BRONZE - Madeline Freeman

Final	1st/7
Hickory Hoedown	1st/7
Willow Waltz	1st/7

PRE-BRONZE

Final	
Audrey Kate Johnson	3rd/6
Katie Palmer	5th/6

Cha Cha

Audrey Kate Johnson	2nd/6
Katie Palmer	5th/6

Fiesta Tango

Audrey Kate Johnson	3rd/6
Katie Palmer	5th/6

COMBINED

Senior

Final	
Soucci Taylor	1st/5
Helena Fisher	2nd/5

Short Dance

Soucci Taylor	1st/5
Helena Fisher	3rd/5

Free Dance

Soucci Taylor	1st/5
Helena Fisher	3rd/5

Junior - Breele Taylor

Final	1st/2
Short Dance	1st/2
Free Dance	1st/2

Novice - Tiffany Hatzikoutelis

Final	2nd/4
Pattern Dance	4th/4
Free Dance	2nd/4

Intermediate, Grp. A

Final	
Madeline Freeman	1st/6
Kaitlyn Plaziak	4th/6
Stephanie Brimeyer	6th/6

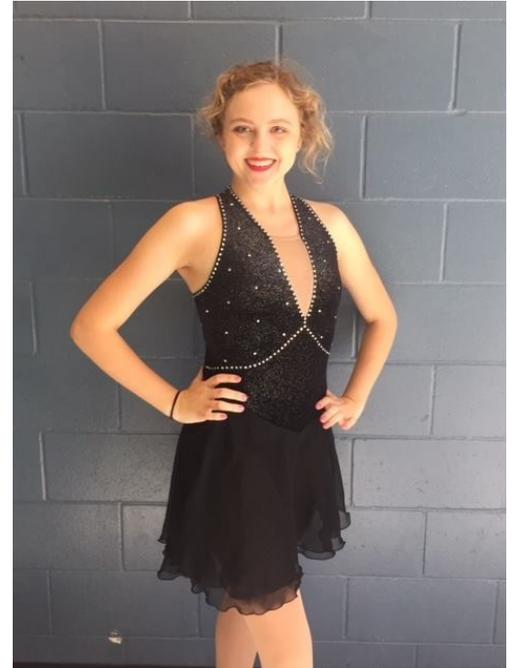
Pattern Dance

Madeline Freeman	1st/6T
Kaitlyn Plaziak	5th/6
Stephanie Brimeyer	6th/6

Free Dance

Madeline Freeman	1st/6
Kaitlyn Plaziak	3rd/6
Stephanie Brimeyer	6th/6

Congratulations, Breele!



*Bronze Judging Appointment
Singles and Pairs*



**US Adult Championships
CORRECTION!**

Light Entertainment III

Nancy Ellis Riggs 2nd/12





First Annual Susan Johnson Trophy Presented

The first annual Susan Johnson Trophy was presented to the Intermediate level skater with the highest free skate initial round component score.

A life member of the Atlanta FSC, Susan was the club's first competition judge (1970), its first international judge (1984), and a World ISU judge (1993). She has officiated at hundreds of domestic competitions and more than 50 international competitions, including three World Championships and the 1998 Olympic Winter Games in Nagano, Japan.

Susan is a National singles/pairs, National synchronized skating, Gold moves, Gold figures, and Silver dance judge as well as a Regional referee and technical controller. In 2016, she celebrated her 60th anniversary

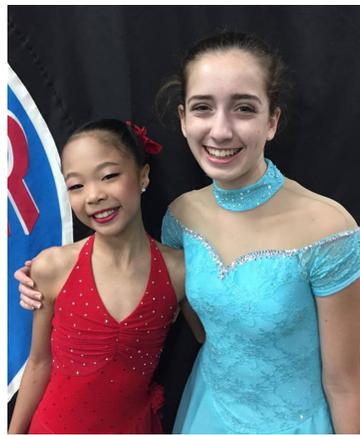
as a U.S. Figure Skating official.

She also served USFS as chair of the Judges Committee and the Competitions Committee and was co-chair of the 1980 U.S. Championships in Atlanta.

In 2007 she was awarded the ISU Gold Award of Merit in recognition of her valuable contributions to skating.

Susan has been the recipient of the club's Judge's Award and Golden Boot Award, was co-author of the club's first newsletter, the *Freestyler*, and was one of the originators of our outstanding skater awards.

Judge Sharon Hyre, Chief Referee Rick Perez, and winner Ashley Merrills



Thank you to our contributing photographers
Denise Freeman, Jeanelle Choi, Victoria
Williams, and Tea Junnila.



2017 Ice Dance Weekend



The 2017 Ice Dance Weekend on June 2 - 4 was a smashing success thanks to Chair **Laurie Sanii** and coach **Graham Payne**! The Friday night theme was "Sci-Fiction" with skaters in costumes of their favorite science fiction character. Fifty-five skaters from 15 states and Canada registered, including a record 12 participants under the age of 18. More than 70% were repeat skaters, and 15 were new to our event.

Many thanks to our volunteers **Janet Payne**, **Rob Kriegel**, and **Kathy Shehee** for the fabulous meal preparation and service, **Todd Pettigrew** for hours of music editing, **Josie Castracane** for the decorative water bottles with skater names, and to **Laurie Sanii** for donating the purchase of photos from Little Phish Foto!







2017 Awards Banquet

Sixty-seven members attended the annual Awards Banquet on May 19 at the Country Club of Roswell. Kudos to Chair Lori Douglas!



Outstanding Skater - Senior

Soucci Taylor



Outstanding Skater - Junior

Jeslyn Choi



Outstanding Skater - Freshman

Katia Kochengina



Lewis Elkin Dance Award

Madeline Freeman



Bruce Stultz Silver Blade Award

Alice Qiao



USFS Double Gold Medalist

Soucci Taylor



Lucille Morgan Judge's Award

Gloria Lewis



Pinky Ager Coach Award

Pam Levitt



Rud Ellis President's Award

Sharon Hyre



Joann Oehlert Spirit Award

Lori Malthaner



Adult Skater of the Year

Nancy Ellis Riggs



Adult Skater of the Year

Jamie Traylor



Golden Boot Award

Eva Campaña



Judy Williams Test Award

Sarah Cairo



Judy Williams Test Award

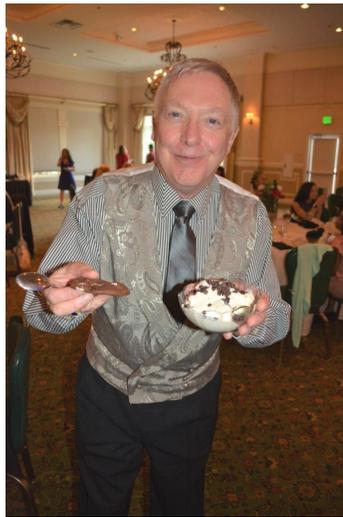
Jeslyn Choi



Scholarship Recipients

Emily Moosbrugger, Julia Kornetzke, Amanda Bao







Thanks to Denise Freeman for the photos!







Passed First US Figure Skating Test!

April, 2016 - April, 2017



You did it!
Congratulations

Harper Barbaree

Nikki Belmonte

Elisa Bode

Brynn Cartagena

Emily Cornelison

Luiza Cunha

Joshua Glass

Abby Gomez

Terry Kim

Riya Kinnarkar

Varnika Kosaraju

Iris Liu

Chloe Malenfant

Amelia Marsh

Mary McAlister

Samantha McCafferty

Kasi Puri

Veronica Sand

Gaia Shamis

Serena Shang

Emily Troncalli

Anna Windley

Ava Windley

Sadie Womack

Lillian Wood

April Zhang



Axel Club



Theresa Bauer
Madeleine Brown
Hannah Carleton
Jeslyn Choi
Christina Cole
Tim Dolensky
Elizabeth Douglas
Helena Fisher
Triniti Fong
Madeline Freeman
Zach Hagen
Tiffany Hatzikoutelis
Wendi Hiller
Emily Hwang
Elvira Junnila
Olivia Kim
MacKenzie Kisella
Katia Kochengina
Julia Kornetzke
Sydney Kosse

Brandon Kozlowski
Gabrielle Kuse
Audrey Latham
Mingda Liu
Madison Long
Ariel Lutz
Natalie Martin
Paris Mashinchi
Kayla Massie
Alexandra McCarthy
Kaitlyn McGarigle
Anna McPeak
Maya Mekyten
Emily Moosbrugger
Michelle Nguyen
Aspen Ono
Kaitlyn Plaziak
Alice Qiao
Grace Rathbun
Nastasia Rozenberg

Chloe Rutter
Laurie Sanii
Meredith Scafidi
Melanie Schael
Morgan Sliker
Angela Smith
Bailey Snead
Maria Son
Breelie Taylor
Soucci Taylor
PJ Whalen
Adeline Wieler
Anna Scott Wieler
Avery Wilkinson
Tori Williams
Kristen Wilson
Grace Wolf
Lily Xie
Nile Ziegler



SPOTLIGHT SKATER

Kaitlyn Plaziak

What are your favorite and least favorite elements?

My favorite element right now is my double loop. This jump comes easily to me for some reason and has been very consistent. My least favorite element is my layback spin because I have always struggled to nail it.

Favorite program?

My favorite free skate program is my Intermediate short program to "Maleficent." I've grown with this program and feel that all the elements and choreography really click now. I also enjoy my Intermediate free dance to the song "Come Dance with Me" by Michael Buble. I love performing this program because this music allows me to really show off my personality, and I can just have fun skating to it.

Who is your favorite skater?

My favorite skater is Ashley Wagner because of her strength and personality on the ice. She pours herself into her routine and music and never gives up.

What is the most memorable event of your skating career?

My most memorable event in my skating career has been successfully landing every jump in my Juvenile free skate.

Tell us about your family and extra-curricular activities.

I am a rising freshman at Cambridge High School. I enjoy literature and social studies and have been on the Honor Roll every semester throughout middle school. I am also a dancer/singer at my performing arts school, RISPA.

I have one older brother, Brad, who is 18 years old. He will be attending Marshall University in the fall to play golf.

I enjoy participating with my church, Northpoint Community Church, in several programs they sponsor such as their "Be Rich" campaign and their "Operation Christmas Child" program.

If I weren't a skater, I would

I would be dancing and performing more and perhaps doing more musical theater productions.

What are your future skating and educational goals?

I hope to pass my senior free skate test before I graduate high school. I do plan to attend college, and I hope I can still continue to skate wherever I go.

My favorite things are

The beach, skating, and performing.

Whom do you most admire?

One of the owners of my Performing Arts School, Mrs. Georgina Louchiey. She has battled breast cancer and undergone hip replacement surgery and yet she is still at the studio every day with a smile on her face, doing what she loves, and helping her students become better performers.

Who would you choose to play you in the movie of your life?

Emma Stone

What Turns Me off: *When people are rude when it is not necessary*

Favorite food: *Mac and cheese*

Least favorite food: *Most all seafood*

Favorite quote: *"Love radically; live differently; forgive excessively."~ Inside Out Church Leader*

Favorite TV Show: *"Glee"*

Favorite movie: *"La La Land"*

Favorite colors: *Light pink or turquoise*

Sound I love: *Ocean waves*

Sound I dislike: *Loud chewing*

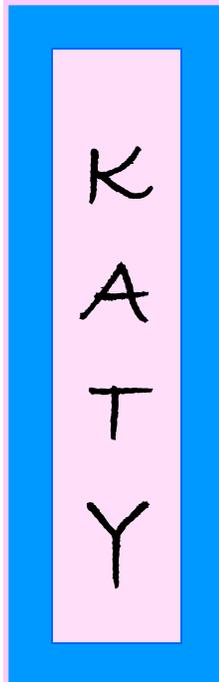
Pet peeve: *When people don't look where they are going*

If I were stranded on a desert island, I would have to have:

My bed, my ukulele, and a water bottle

Three words that best describe me:

Confident, thoughtful, and funny



May Day Open

May 11 - 14
Gardens FSC
Laurel, MD

JUVENILE GIRLS

Madeline Freeman

Final Rd. 9th/15

Freeskate, Grp. A 4th/13

SOLO PATTERN DANCE

International - Soucci Taylor

Final 2nd/2

Dance 1 2nd/2

Dance 2 2nd/2

Bronze, Grp. A

Madeline Freeman

Final 2nd/5

Dance 1 2nd/5

Dance 2 1st/5

COMBINED DANCE

Senior

Soucci Taylor

Final 4th/6

Original Dance 4th/6

Free Dance 4th/6

Junior

Breelie Taylor

Final 9th/10

Original Dance 10th/10

Free Dance 9th/10

Intermediate, Grp. A

Madeline Freeman

Final 2nd/7

Dance 1 2nd/7

Free Dance 2nd/7



"Graham's Girls": Madeline, Soucci, Breelie



Madeline



Soucci, Breelie



Soucci, Madeline, Breelie

New Adult Competition Series Launched by U.S. Figure Skating

U.S. Figure Skating is pleased to announce the 2017-18 Adult Competition Series. This program is open to adult and young adult skaters in the adult 1 through adult bronze levels in the Eastern, Midwestern, and Pacific Coast sections.

Participants in the Adult Competition Series compete in both the free skate and compulsory events in at least two participating Compete USA and non-qualifying competitions, one being the non-qualifying competition held in conjunction with their adult sectional championships. Athletes receive points based on their placement and the number of competitors in each event. These points are used to determine final series winners within each section. Sectional series awards are presented at the non-qualifying competition held in conjunction with each adult sectional championships.

The mission of this program is to provide a meaningful series of events to encourage skaters in the adult 1 through adult bronze levels to enjoy a fun, yet competitive environment where they can experience the community of adult skating.

The Adult Competition Series supports the growth of adult

competitive opportunities at the grassroots level. And, it improves the financial viability of the adult sectional championships and other competitions that include events for adult athletes.

The 2017-18 Adult Competition Series season will run from **July 1, 2017, to February 18, 2018**, with the 2017-18 Adult Competition Series Finals taking place from **March 9-11, 2018** at the non-qualifying competitions held in conjunction with all three adult sectional championships:

2018 Eastern Adult Sectional Championships, hosted by the Philadelphia Skating Club and Humane Society in Ardmore, Pennsylvania

Athletes must register to participate in the 2017-18 Adult Competition Series prior to entering a competition in which they plan to earn placement points. Registration opens on July 1, 2017 and ends on December 30, 2017. There is a \$20 fee to register to participate in the Adult Competition Series. Athletes must be 18 years of age or older as of July 1, 2017 to participate.

2017 Governing Council Rules Changes

Several changes were adopted at the May Governing Council. For complete information, please access the Combined Report of Action on the USFS website.

HIGHLIGHTS

- **Rule 4240 (B) JUVENILE SINGLES AND OPEN JUVENILE SINGLES**
Age requirements as of September 1 prior to the regional championships
 1. Open Juvenile 13 years of age or older
 2. Juvenile Under age 13**Effective February 1, 2018**
- **TR 3204 JUVENILE AND WELL-BALANCED PROGRAM AND TEST PROGRAM**
Length is now 2:20 +/- :10
Effective May 15, 2017
- **TR 4.00 QUALIFICATION TO APPLY FOR TEST CREDIT FROM IJS PROTOCOL**

TR 4.01 In lieu of taking a free skate, pair or free dance test at the juvenile - senior levels, or an adult gold free skate test, at a test session, candidates may elect to submit their protocol from a U.S. Figure Skating sanctioned non-qualifying competition conducted under IJS, where they have met the minimum passing scores as defined in rule TR 4.02.

- A. The protocol will be verified by the IJS Companion program, and a list of athletes in each event meeting the minimum requirements for that respective level will be generated. Athletes must obtain this list together with their Individual detailed protocol.
- B. Candidates must also obtain an overall copy of the appropriate event segment results with the signature of the event referee and technical controller. The candidate's total score must match the scores on their individual protocol.
- C. Candidates must submit A and B to the test chair or authorized representative of their home club, along with a statement from their coach verifying that the results are correct and unaltered. Individual members may submit the documents directly to U.S. Figure Skating headquarters.
- D. Candidates have one year from the time they achieved the requirements at a competition to submit their documents for test credit.

TR 4.02 The minimum passing scores for each respective test defined in rule section TR 4.00 is defined as follows:

- A. The minimum passing score will consist of a Technical Element Score (TES), a Program Components Score (PCS), and a Total Segment Score (TSS). The candidate must achieve at least the minimum in all three scores in addition to all elements having a value > "0".
- B. The minimum passing scores will be determined annually by the Tests Committee and the respective Singles, Pairs, and Dance Committees and published via Technical Notification.
- C. The minimum passing TES will be based upon the composite base value of all elements required at each level per The current ISU Scale of Values document.
- D. The minimum passing PCS will be based upon the composite of test-level expectations and reasonable competition level expectations, using current program component factors.
- E. The minimum passing TSS will be the minimum passing TES + minimum passing PCS.
- F. Skaters requesting test credit through their IJS protocol must follow the procedure outlined in rule TR 4.01.

Effective November 1, 2017

- **Tests Committee:** Amend the Free Skate Test Rules to align the test rules with the well-balanced program rules, allowing skaters to perform the minimum requirements, or higher, and to move the language of the free skate test rules into the 4000s section of the rulebook, alongside the competition rules.
Implementation Date: November 1, 2017
- **TR 21.02** Moves in the field are basic skating moves not set to music.
Implementation Date: July 1, 2017

Governing Council, Cont'd

Tests Committee: Amend the test rules as follows to implement evaluation of tests on a -3 to + 3 scale and incorporate allowing tests to **“Pass,” “Pass with Honors”, or “Pass with Distinction.”**

- TR 1.30 Marking of Moves in the Field TR 1.31 Each moves in the field element will be marked according to rule TR 1.21 with the exception of the pre-preliminary and adult pre-bronze moves in the field tests, which will receive a “pass” or “retry” only.
- TR 1.40 Marking of Single Free Skate Tests TR 1.41 Three marks will be awarded; see rule TR 1.21. The first mark is for “elements,” the second mark is for “skating,” and the third mark is for “program” with the exception of the pre-preliminary and adult pre-bronze free skate tests, which will receive a “pass” or “retry” only.
- TR 1.60 Marking of Pattern Dance Tests TR 1.61 Three marks will be awarded; see rule TR 1.21. The first mark is for “technique,” the second mark is for “timing,” and the third mark is for “expression.”
- TR 1.70 Marking of Free Dance Tests TR 1.71 Three marks will be awarded; see rule TR 1.21. The first mark is for “elements,” the second mark is for “skating,” and the third mark is for “program.”

TR 22.01 In order to pass a moves in the field test, a candidate must have received a “pass total” or a “pass” for the entire test from a majority of the judges. In the case where there is no majority test result among the panel, the second highest result among the panel is awarded (i.e. if results are “pass,” “pass with honors,” and “pass with distinction,” the skater is awarded “pass with honors”).

Implementation date: September 2, 2018

MR 5.11 COACH AND INSTRUCTOR COMPLIANCE. In order to be granted access to work within U.S. Figure Skating sanctioned activities, all coaches must complete the following requirements on an annual basis by July 1:

A. Coach Compliance:

1. Must be a current full member of U.S. Figure Skating — either through a member club or as an individual member.
2. If 18 years of age or older, must submit the proper payment of \$30 through the U.S. Figure Skating Members Only site, and submit information for and successfully pass an annual background screen.
3. Must complete the appropriate CER SafeSport training course and any additional courses as required in (A,B, C or D) depending on the highest level of students being coached as of July 1. See rule MR 5.12.
4. Must submit proof of current general liability insurance with limits of \$1 million per occurrence/\$5 million aggregate.
5. Must be a current full PSA member if coaching skaters/teams in qualifying events at U.S. Figure Skating qualifying competitions. See rule 1022.

B. Basic Skills Professional Group Instructor Compliance:

1. Must be registered as a Basic Skills Learn to Skate USA instructor member and complete the annual online certification course.
2. If 18 years of age or older, must have successfully passed the annual background screen.

MR 5.12 COACHES CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

All coaches must meet complete annual continuing education requirements (CER) based on the following categories:

- A. *Category A: Professional Coach (or Choreographer) of qualifying levels of competitive skaters.* Those coaches who coach train or instruct one or more skaters or teams who are participating in any U.S. Figure Skating or member club activities other than group lessons qualifying levels of qualifying competitions or championships.
- B. *Category B: Professional Coach (or Choreographer) of skaters participating in the following U.S.F.S. sanctioned events (excluding qualifying events covered in Category A).* Those coaches who coach one or more skaters or teams who are participating in non-qualifying levels of sanctioned competitions or championships
 1. U.S. Figure Skating tests (pre-preliminary and higher)
 2. Non-qualifying competitions or test track levels (pre-preliminary or higher)
 3. Non-qualifying events at a qualifying competition
- C. *Category C: Professional Group Instructor.* Those coaches who teach group lessons only, as part of a Learn to Skate USA program.
- D. *Category D: Professional Sports Science Support Services.* Includes, but is not limited to: sports psychologists, physical therapists and athletic trainers who are working with skaters or teams at any U.S..F.S or member club activities. An individual who performs sport science support services and also performs duties as a professional coach or choreographer must meet Category A or B requirements.

Implementation date: January 1, 2018

Pattern Dances Drawn for 2017-2018

Event	Regionals	Sectionals, Championships & Adult Championships
Novice		ARGENTINE TANGO QUICKSTEP
Intermediate		TANGO FOURTEENSTEP
Juvenile		FOXTROT CHA CHA
Pre-Juvenile <i>Initial Round</i>	DUTCH WALTZ CHA CHA	
Pre-Juvenile <i>Final Round</i>	RHYTHM BLUES FIESTA TANGO	
Championship Adult		KILIAN WESTMINSTER WALTZ
Adult Gold		PASO DOBLE WESTMINSTER WALTZ
Adult Pre-Gold		ROCKER FOXTROT KILIAN
Masters Open		WESTMINSTER WALTZ RHUMBA
Adult Silver <i>Initial Round</i>		EUROPEAN WALTZ FOURTEENSTEP
Adult Silver <i>Final Round</i>		TANGO
Adult Pre-Silver <i>Initial Round</i>		WILLOW WALTZ HICKORY HOEDOWN
Adult Pre-Silver <i>Final Round</i>		FOXTROT
Adult Bronze <i>Initial Round</i>		CHA CHA TEN-FOX
Adult Bronze <i>Final Round</i>		HICKORY HOEDOWN
Adult Pre-Bronze <i>Initial Round</i>		DUTCH WALTZ RHYTHM BLUES
Adult Pre-Bronze <i>Final Round</i>		FIESTA TANGO
Adult Centennial <i>Initial Round</i>		FOURTEENSTEP AMERICAN WALTZ
Adult Centennial <i>Final Round</i>		ROCKER FOXTROT
Adult Gold <i>Solo Dance</i>		KILIAN WESTMINSTER WALTZ
Adult Pre-Gold <i>Solo Dance</i>		ROCKER FOXTROT STARLIGHT WALTZ
Adult Silver <i>Solo Dance</i>		FOXTROT TANGO
Adult Pre-Silver <i>Solo Dance</i>		TEN-FOX EUROPEAN WALTZ
Adult Bronze <i>Solo Dance</i>		FIESTA TANGO TEN-FOX

Tests Passed

April

Katia Kochengina	Junior Moves
Chloe Rutter	Junior Moves
Jeslyn Choi	Intermediate Free Skate
Risako Nonaka	Intermediate Moves
	Preliminary Free Skate
Olivia Kim	Juvenile Free Skate
Katie Palmer	Juvenile Moves
Isabel Bobrik	Pre-Juvenile Free Skate
Sarah Cairo	Preliminary Free Skate
Terry Kim	Preliminary Free Skate
Ava Landon	Pre-Preliminary Free Skate
Ruhee Patkar	Dutch Waltz
	Rhythm Blues
	Canasta Tango
	Preliminary Dance Test

May

Natalie Martin	Junior Moves
Bailey Snead	Intermediate Moves
Avery Wilkinson	Intermediate Moves
Cristanne Goodwin	Juvenile Moves
Isabel Schaum	Juvenile Moves
Iris Liu	Preliminary Moves
Kara Yao	Pre-Preliminary Free Skate
Grayson Snow	Pre-Preliminary Moves

June

Natalie Martin	Novice Free Skate
Natalie Semsey	Novice Free Skate
	Cha Cha
	Swing Dance
Soucci Taylor	Cha Cha Congelado
	Rhumba
Breelie Taylor	Quickstep
Helena Fisher	Tango Romantica
Todd Pettigrew	Starlight Waltz
Triniti Fong	American Waltz
	Rocker Foxtrot
Amanda Bao	American Waltz
	Tango
Tori Williams	Tango
Madeline Freeman	Fourteenstep
Kaitlyn Plaziak	Foxtrot
Elvira Junnila	Hickory Hoedown
	Willow Waltz
Jeslyn Choi	Fiesta Tango
	Swing Dance
Audrey Kate Johnson	Fiesta Tango
	Cha Cha
	Swing Dance
Jennifer Wilson	Pre-Preliminary Free Skate



HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Harper Barbaree	3	Lisa Middlekauff	20
Chen Hu	8	Alexa Phillips	21
Emily Moosbrugger		Aspen Ono	
Todd Pettigrew		Brandon Kozlowski	
Catherine Wilson	10	Kris Puri	
Charles Sliker	11	PJ Whalen	22
Lori Douglas	12	Sidney Parker	
Stephanie Brimeyer	13	Valeria Kochengina	
Ruhee Patkar	15	Chuck Miller	23
Brittney Bottoms	17	Kim McCafferty	27
Rebeca Ibelings		Sherry Hewitt	
Ashley Glass	18	Mindy Sellers	28
Elvira Junnila	20	Laken Andrzejewski	30
Lei Bao			



HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Elizabeth Wilson	1	Dana Graham	17
Eva Schaum		Soucci Taylor	18
Gregory Glass	4	Tim Dolensky	
Aren Nielsen	5	Jenny Montobbio	19
Lilly Wood		Catherine Hackney	20
Anne Malacrea	6	Janet Payne	22
Cynthia Kornetzke	7	Lisa Wolgast	
Giovanni Izaguirre		Natalie Semsey	
Margaret Butlin		Ashley Weller	23
Candace Goodwin	8	Tiffany Hatzikoutelis	
Mary Bode	9	Emily Troncalli	25
Regina Brimeyer		Mia Calabrese	
Daniel Cairo	10	Sharon Hyre	
Claire Cameron	11	Meredith Scafidi	26
Nancy Hoblack	13	Elizabeth Giordano	27
Trish Tran	15	Cheryl Faust	29
Allen Fong	16	Rachel Hanson	
Anna Windley		Sydney Kosse	
Lori McGarigle		Gia Gulati	30
Stephanie Lampert		Kelly Belin	
Barbara Landon	17		

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Upcoming Events

<u>EVENT</u>	<u>DATES</u>	<u>SPONSOR/LOCATION</u>
National TOI	June 21 - 25	Greater Evansville FSC, Evansville, IN
Grassroots to Champions	June 24	Atlanta FSC
Orange Blossom	July 5 - 9	Tampa Bay, SC, Oldsmar, FL
USA Masters Games	July 14 - 16	San Diego, CA
Skate Detroit	July 18 - 22	Detroit SC, Bloomfield Hills, MI
Lake Placid Ice Dance Championships	July 26 - 29	SC of Lake Placid, Lake Placid, NY
Magic City Classic	July 28 - 30	Birmingham FSC, Pelham, AL
Scott Hamilton Invitational	August 4 - 6	Scott Hamilton SC, Antioch, TN
Peach Open & Classic	September 2 - 3	Georgia FSC, Duluth, GA
Middle Atlantic Championships	September 7 - 10	SC of New York, New York, NY