



2016 SHOWCASE FOR SKATERS

June 10, 11, and 12, 2016

Produced and hosted by the Los Angeles Figure Skating Club, Inc.
Pickwick Ice Arena, 1001 Riverside Dr., Burbank, CA
Sanctioned by U.S. Figure Skating under Rules 3000 and 3200

CLOSE OF ENTRIES: 11:59 pm on Sunday, May 15, 2016

RULES AND INFORMATION

1. BASIS OF JUDGING

Performances will be judged solely on theatrical and artistic qualities from an entertainment standpoint. Judging panels will be comprised of non-skating/celebrity judges and U.S. Figure Skating judges. Technical skating skills and difficulty are not marked. However, skating must be the major element of the performance and of sufficient competence to support the theatrical components chosen. The 6.0 system of judging will be used for all events. There will be deductions of 0.1 to 0.2 for falls which are not part of and interrupt the composition of the program.

2. QUALIFICATIONS

All participants must be current members of U.S. Figure Skating to participate in any U.S. Figure Skating sanctioned event. We can offer those skaters who have never been a member of U.S. Figure Skating a special "Showcase Introductory Membership" for this Showcase competition for a special membership fee of \$28.00. This will allow you to participate in this event, and will provide your membership with US Figure Skating through the end of the current skating year (through June 30, 2016). However, the US Figure Skating membership year runs from July 1 of the current year to June 30 of the following year. Accordingly, you will have to renew your membership for the new membership year by July 1 at the regular renewal rate if you wish to keep your membership current and participate in any sanctioned U.S. Figure Skating events after June 30, 2016. If you are interested in this Showcase Introductory Membership please contact the Membership Chair, Michael Cruz, at cruzmr@aol.com for further details and processing of your membership as soon as possible.

3. COSTUMES

Costumes should fit the performance. Excessive elaboration is unnecessary. They receive no mark. However, they may improve or diminish the effect of, hence the mark for, a performance.

4. PROPS/SCENERY

Props and/or scenery are optional. If used they must be placed and removed by the competitor(s) in a total time of one minute for singles and duet events, or two minutes by a group. Excess time may result in a deduction in the mark given for the program. Don't use them unless they are integrated into your performance.

5. CATEGORIES OF PERFORMANCE

- a. **Dramatic:** A serious emotional, artistic interpretation.
- b. **Comedy:** Very broad humor, clowning, pratfalls and laughter.
- c. **Light Entertainment:** Any performance not serious enough to be heavily dramatic or broadly funny enough to cause general loud laughter.
- d. **Character:** The skater must be recognizable in appearance and performance style as a character from cartoons, movies, TV, etc. without explanation via announcer's introduction.
- e. **Interpretive:** Any type of choreography/costume may be chosen by the competitor. The choreography will be created (without assistance) by the competitor during a private warm-up off ice 45 minutes prior to competing and during a three minute full-ice warm-up. The same music will be used for each competitor in a group; no information concerning music chosen will be released until the first warm-up.
- f. **Duets and Small Groups:** There are no categories of performance for these classes. They are open.
- g. **Production Groups:** A group variety performance usually built on a specific theme; a mini show.
- h. **Theatre on Ice:** See TOI Guidelines (There will be no re-skates for this classification).

6. CLASSES BY SKATING/AGE LEVEL

Note: The qualifications for these classes may differ from those used for other USFS events.

SHOWCASE EVENT LEVELS, AGES, TEST REQUIREMENTS AND PERFORMANCE TIMING					
	Event	Must have passed Free Skate <u>or</u> Dance test (solo or partnered standard track)	Must not have passed Free Skate <u>or</u> Dance (solo or partnered standard track)	Age Restriction	Time(Min.)
Singles or Duets (Duets must compete at highest test level of the two skaters)	Pre-Star 1**	None	Pre-Preliminary FS Preliminary Dance	None	1:10 max
	Pre-Star 2**	None	Pre-Preliminary FS Preliminary Dance	None	1:10 max
	Star****	None	Pre-Preliminary FS Preliminary Dance	None	1:40 max
	Super Star****	None	Pre-Preliminary FS Preliminary Dance	None	1:40 max
	Pre-Preliminary	Pre-Preliminary FS	Preliminary FS Preliminary Dance	None	1:40 max
	Preliminary	Preliminary FS	Pre-Juvenile FS	None	1:40 max
	Pre Juvenile	Pre-Juvenile FS 2 Preliminary Dances	Juvenile FS Pre-Bronze Dance Test	None	1:40 max
	Juvenile	Juvenile FS Preliminary Dance Test	Intermediate FS Any Silver Dance	13 and under	2:10 max
	Open Juvenile (Teen)	Juvenile FS Preliminary Dance Test	Intermediate FS Any Silver Dance	14-17	2:10 max
	Intermediate	Intermediate FS Bronze Dance Test	Novice FS Any Gold Dance	17 and under	2:10 max
	Young Adult	Juvenile FS Preliminary Dance Test	Novice FS Any Gold Dance	18-20	2:10 max
	Novice	Novice FS One Silver Dance	Junior FS Any Gold Dance	None	2:10 max
	Junior	Junior FS Two Pre-Gold Dances	Senior FS Gold Dance Test	None	2:40 max
	Senior	Senior FS Gold Dance Test		None	2:40 max
	Event	Must meet requirements	Must not have passed	Age Restriction	Time
	Adult Pre-Bronze	None	Adult Bronze FS Any Pre-Bronze Dance	21and older	1:40 max
	Adult Bronze	Adult Bronze FS or Pairs or complete Pre-Bronze Dance	Any Pre-Silver Dance	21and older	1:40 max
	Adult Silver	Adult Silver FS or Pairs or one Pre-Silver Dance	Any Pre-Gold Dance	21and older	1:40 max
	Adult Gold	Adult Gold FS or Masters Pairs or one Pre-Gold Dance	Complete Pre-Gold	21and older	1:40 max
	Masters	Masters Intermediate or Masters Pairs or Pre-Gold Dance Test		21and older	1:40 max
Interpretive					
Mini Production	Open 3-7 persons		Open	3:10 max	
Production	Open 8 or more persons		Open	6:15 max	
TQI	See TQI Guidelines				

- * Pre-Star 1: No test level. Comparable to ISI Tot - Alpha (max age 20)
- ** Pre-Star 2: No test level. Comparable to ISI Beta - Delta (max age 20)
- *** Star: No test level. Comparable to ISI FS1–FS3 (max age 20)
- **** Super Star: No test level. All single jumps permitted except Axel. No Flying Spins. (max age 20)

For additional event information, the current U.S. Figure Skating Nonqualifying Showcase Guidelines are available online at http://www.usfigureskating.org/content/2015-16%20Nonqualifying%20Showcase%20Guidelines_Final.pdf

Notes: 1. There will be a 0.2 deduction for up to every ten seconds in excess of the maximum performance time.

2. Timing starts with the first motion of the body, hand, head, skate, etc.
3. For Adult Duets there will be two classes based on highest partner's test level:
Adult: Adult No test through Adult Silver
Masters: Adult Gold and Masters with test levels determined by chart above.
4. Entry level for duets is based on highest partner's test level.

Comedy & Character

All Skating/Age Levels: Open. Comedy and Character will be divided by test levels if possible. If the number of entries warrants, separate adult Character and Comedy events will be held. If separate adult events are held in these categories, they may be further divided by test levels. There will be no final round for divided events; the winner of each group qualifies for the re-skates (See #9 – 12)

Notes:

1. Classes, levels, and categories of events may be combined based on the number of entries. Pre-Juvenile and below will be divided into groups by age if there are more than ten (10) skaters in an event; Juvenile and above will be divided into groups by random draw if there are more than twelve (12) skaters in an event. Men and ladies will be combined in all events. However, a men's category will be established if three or more men enter a particular event
2. Competitors may enter any or all singles or duets events for which they qualify by test level and age. Skaters cannot enter different levels of the same event (Example: Junior Light Entertainment and Senior Light Entertainment). Skaters may skate one level higher than their test level. PLEASE NOTE: *If you qualify for, and plan to enter National Showcase 2016, you will be required to skate at the appropriate test level at that event. "Skating up" is not permitted at National Showcase.*

Theatre on Ice Guidelines

SENIOR

Test, Team Size and Age Requirements

- Test qualifications as of May 1, 2016
- Minimum of 8 skaters on a team - maximum of 24 skaters
- More than 50 percent* of the team must have passed the juvenile or adult gold freestyle test
- Team members may have passed any higher tests including senior moves in the field, senior freestyle, senior pair test, senior and/or international dance tests
- All team members must have passed the preliminary or adult pre-bronze moves in the field test
- No age restrictions

Program Duration

- CE 2:30 +/- 10 seconds
- Free skate 5:30 +/- 15 seconds

* The only exception to this requirement is if a rostered skater who has passed the juvenile freestyle test (or higher) is injured, and can produce a doctor's note, the corresponding skater of a lower level may skate.

JUNIOR

Test, Team Size and Age Requirements

- Test qualifications as of May 1, 2016
- Minimum of 8 skaters on a team - maximum of 24 skaters
- No more than 50 percent* of the team may have passed the intermediate or adult gold freestyle test or higher with the exception of two skaters who can have passed no higher than a novice freestyle test
- All team members must have must have passed the preliminary or adult pre-bronze moves in the field test
- No age restrictions

Program Duration

- CE 2:30 +/- 10 seconds
- Free skate 5:00 +/- 15 seconds

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The only exception to this requirement is if a rostered skater who has not passed the intermediate moves in the field test is injured, and can produce a doctor's note, the corresponding skater of a higher level may skate.

NOVICE

Test, Team Size and Age Requirements

- Test qualifications as of May 1, 2016
- Minimum of 8 skaters on a team - maximum of 24 skaters
- All team members must have must have passed the pre-preliminary moves in the field test
- No team members may have passed the intermediate freestyle test or higher with the exception of two skaters who can have passed no higher than a novice freestyle test
- 80 percent of the team must be under the age of 15 as of December 1 of the competition year
- No skater may have reached age 19 as of December 1, 2015

Program Duration

- CE 2:30 +/- 10 seconds
- Free skate 4:30 +/- 15 seconds

PRELIMINARY

Test, Team Size and Age Requirements

- Test qualifications as of May 1, 2016
- Minimum of 8 skaters on a team - maximum of 24 skaters
- All team members must have passed the pre-preliminary moves in the field test or mastered the skills of the Basic Skills free skate 1 test and may not have passed any test higher than preliminary moves in the field test and/or preliminary free style test with the exception of two skaters who may have passed no higher than pre-juvenile moves in the field test and/or pre-juvenile free style test
- Age requirement as of December 1, 2015: Skaters must be 15 years of age or under
- Handheld props are allowed
- Scenery is not allowed

Program Duration

- CE 2:00 +/- 10 seconds
- Free skate 2:30 +/- 15 seconds

OPEN

Test, Team Size and Age Requirements

- Test qualifications as of May 1, 2016
- Minimum of 8 skaters on a team - maximum of 24 skaters
- All team members must have passed at least one U.S. Figure Skating moves in the field, free skate, ice dance or pairs test (not including Basic Skills)
- No age restrictions

Program Duration

- CE 2:30 +/- 10 seconds
- Free skate 4:30 +/- 15 seconds

ADULT

• Test qualifications as of May 1, 2016

- Minimum of 8 skaters on a team- maximum of 24 skaters
- All team members must have passed at least one U.S. Figure Skating moves in the field, free skate, ice dance or pairs test (not including Basic Skills)
- Requirements as of December 1, 2015: Skaters who are 18 years of age or older

Program Duration

- CE 2:30 +/- 10 seconds
- Free skate 5:30 +/- 15 seconds

Rosters: The same skaters must skate both CE and Free Skate in combined events.

Crossovers: No crossovers are permitted in any division.

Program Description:

Theatre on Ice entries must submit a written description of the performance, which must be provided by the team at the time of application to the competition. The description may not be more than 50 words in length and must be provided to the local organizing committee of the competition.

Audio Description:

An audio description of the program (or other verbal text) may be part of the CD and precede the commencement of the program. This applies to both the Free Skate and the Choreographic Exercise. The CD will not be started until after the team has taken their position and given a hand signal that they are ready to begin. If the team does not wish the audio description to be included in the timing of the performance, the entire team must remain still during the audio description. If the team is moving/skating during the audio description, this will be included in the total time allotment for their performance. The audio recording should not exceed 30 seconds. A 0.1 deduction will be taken if the audio recording exceeds this time limit. Descriptions will not be read by announcer. Therefore, teams wishing to have an audio description read must have the description recorded on the CD.

Judging System:

According to US Figure Skating rule #3440, the 6.0 judging system will be used for all TOI events. All events will use the closed marking systems. The event referee's interpretation of the rules will be final.

Curtain: There will be no curtain. However, the Showcase backdrops will be in place (See rink diagram).

Lighting: Standard rink lighting will be used for all events. No spotlights or special lighting will be permitted.

Scenery & Props: Scenery and props may be used in the Free Skate ONLY. Props must be able to be carried onto the ice with the skaters.

All teams must be aware of U.S. Figure Skating TOI Guidelines and Rules in effect at the time of the competition, which Guidelines and Rules will govern the TOI events.

- Notes:**
1. There will be a 0.2 deduction for up to every ten seconds in excess of the maximum performance time.
 2. Timing starts with the first motion of the body - hand, head, skate, etc.

7. NATIONAL SHOWCASE 2016

Singles competitors who place 1st through 4th in a singles Dramatic or Light Entertainment event may qualify for National Showcase 2016. Eligible skaters will have passed the Preliminary Free Skating test and above OR completed requirements for Adult Interpretive Free Skating and above. Duets and Ensembles need not qualify by placement for National Showcase. For further information or questions please go to <https://www.usfigureskating.org/Programs.asp?id=308> or contact Melissa Bowman, National Vice-Chair for National Showcase, at patinage.tx@gmail.com.

8. AWARDS

Medals will be awarded for 1st through 4th place in each event. Small groups, production groups and TOI teams will receive one medal per group. Additional medals may be purchased for group members by their coach through the competition chairs. Trophies will be awarded for first through fourth place in the re-skate events.

9. THE JOANNE FUNAKOSHI AWARD

The Joanne Funakoshi Award for the best theatrical performance of the competition by an individual will be awarded from the results of the re-skate performances at the end of the competition. This re-skate event will be open to 1st place medal winners (see notes 1 and 2 below) from all singles events except extemporaneous/interpretive.

10. THE JENNIFER RITTER AWARD

The Jennifer Ritter Award for the best extemporaneous/interpretive performance of the competition will be awarded from the results of the re-skate performances to a new piece of music at the end of the competition. This re-skate event will be open to 1st place medal winners (see notes 1 and 2 below) from the extemporaneous/interpretive events.

11. THE TAI BABILONIA AWARD

The Tai Babilonia Award for the best theatrical performance of the competition by a duet, small group/mini production or production group will be awarded from the results of the re-skate performances at the end of the competition. This re-skate event will be open to 1st place medal winners (see note 2 below) from all the duet and group events, except Theatre on Ice.

12. THE ANGELA EASTON ADULT AWARD

The Angela Easton Adult Award for the best adult singles performance of the competition will be awarded from the results of re-skate performances of the 1st place medal winners (see notes 1 and 2 below) of the adult events, except the extemporaneous/interpretive adult winner, who will be included in the Ritter re-skates.

13. THE DANELLE COLE THEATRE ON ICE AWARD

The Danelle Cole Theatre on Ice Trophy will be awarded to the Most Outstanding Theatre on Ice performance as determined by the TOI officials. **NOTE:** The Los Angeles Ice Theater Senior team **will not** be a candidate for this award, regardless of competition placement.

Notes:

Should the winner of an event choose not to compete in the re-skates, that skater must inform the Registration Table as soon as possible. If this happens, every effort will be made by the registrar to contact the second-place skater, duet or group to offer them the opportunity to represent that event in the re-skate competition.

14. ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

INFORMATION

Chairperson – Carla Golubski Phone: 818-521-2388 Email: carlagolubski@hotmail.com
Registrar – Jan SooHoo Phone: 818-952-4103; Email: jan@soohoos.org

ARENA

Pickwick Ice Center 818-846-0035 Size: 200' x 85', rounded corners. Showcase backdrop will be installed across the short axis of the arena approximately 20' from the end, reducing the actual performance size to approximately 180' x 85' (See rink diagram).

MUSIC

CDs (no CD-RWs) must be turned in at least 45 minutes before each event, clearly identified, ready to play. They should be picked up after awards at the music desk. **1st place CDs will be held for re-skates.** Vocal music is permitted in all events. Make sure you bring a backup CD and have it readily accessible during your event.

LIGHTING	All events, except extemporaneous/interpretive and Theatre on Ice, will have spotlight theater lighting. Skaters should complete a skater information form available at music desk. The Lighting Director will select all lighting levels and colors to best enhance each performance. Extemporaneous/interpretive and Theatre on Ice events will have full arena lighting only.
PROPS & SCENERY	Will be stored at far end of the arena, near the East (window) side (See rink diagram).
LATE ENTRIES & CATEGORY CHANGES	Entries <u>received after the close of entries</u> will be late entries. Late entries or category changes, if accepted, will require an additional entry fee of \$20.
RETURNED CHECKS	A \$50 fee will be charged for all returned checks.
EARLY CLOSE OF ENTRIES	Will occur when entries received exceed available ice time. Entries refused because of early closing will be refunded. Normal close of entries will be 11:59 pm, Sunday, May 15, 2016.
REPORTING TO	Skaters must report to the Registration Table at least 45 minutes prior to your scheduled event and to the Stage Director/Ice Monitor 1/2 hour before your event is scheduled. If you fail to do so your group may compete without you. Exception: Extemporaneous/interpretive contestants report 45 minutes before scheduled to the private rehearsal area to hear their music. (This will tentatively be in the Parkview room next to the snack bar.)

- ENTRY REFUNDS** Will be made upon withdrawal prior to the close of entries. In accordance with USFS Rule 3040 and 3200, no refunds will be made thereafter unless an event is not held.
- WARM-UPS** Will be limited to a 20' x 85' backstage area (See rink diagram), except for extemporaneous/interpretive events.
- AWARDS & PHOTOS** Awards will be given for the first four places in each event. Awards and photos will take place immediately after each event. **Skaters must participate in the podium portrait to receive their awards.** There is no obligation to purchase the podium photo, but skaters will not receive their award without appearing in the podium photo. Skaters wishing to purchase photos should contact the photographers at the event.
- VIDEOS** Skaters wishing to purchase videos of their performance(s) should contact the videographer at the event.
- DRESSING ROOMS** Dressing rooms are unsupervised. Bring skate guards and leave no valuables unguarded.

15. SAFETY

Props, scenery and costumes considered hazardous will not be allowed on the ice. This includes the release of helium balloons. If something is questionable, please contact the Referee or Competition Chair as soon as possible. All decisions regarding safety will be made by the Referee and will be final.

16. WAIVER OF LIABILITY / RULES / DECISIONS AND APPEALS

Participants agree by entry that all liability for injury resulting from participation is borne solely by skaters. Neither the Los Angeles Figure Skating Club, Inc. nor Pickwick Ice Center is in any way responsible. Except as herein added or excepted, the rules of U.S. Figure Skating govern the conduct of this event. Decisions required will be made by the Referee and will be final.

17. GENERAL INFORMATION

- PRACTICE ICE** Must be arranged individually; not provided by Showcase or the LAFSC. Please contact Pickwick Ice Arena at 818-846-0035 for a schedule of freestyle sessions.
- OFFICIAL NOTICES** Will be posted at the rink and/or on the club website. Schedule is tentative and subject to change.

18. RINK ADMISSION

There is no reserved seating. Admission is on a first-come, first-served basis. Seating is limited. A seat is not guaranteed with the price of admission.

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| ADMISSION | Saturday: | Day - \$5 Evening - \$5 |
| | Sunday: | Day - \$5 Evening (re-skates) - \$8 |
| | Children 5 and under: | Free |
| | Children 6 - 12: | \$3 any session |
| | Senior Citizens 55 yrs of age: | \$3 any session |
| | All Events Pass: | \$15 (available on Saturday only) |
- COACH PASS** One coach per skater. No charge. A badge will be prepared only for the coach listed as the Primary Coach on the competitor's Entryeeze form. Badges will be held at the Registration Table.
- CHAPERONE PASS** One per competitor under 18 years of age. Each duet skater (under the age of 18) and each member (under the age of 18) of a group or TOI entry is entitled to one chaperone pass. Badges will be held at the Registration Table.

ENTRY FEES

FIRST EVENT:

Singles

Pre-Star 1 & 2	\$60
All other levels	\$80

Duets (If no Singles event entered)

\$90 per duet One duet partner registers for both members of the duet and pays the entire fee.

Extemporaneous/Interpretive Only (If no Singles event entered)

\$55

ADDITIONAL EVENTS:*

Pre-Star 1 & 2	\$45
All other levels	\$50 per additional event

*Do not include group or TOI events as additional Singles/Duet events.

GROUPS (Mini Production & Production)

Group Entry Fee	\$100 per group
PLUS Skater Entry Fee	\$ 5 per skater

TOI

Team Entry Fee	\$100 per team per event
PLUS Skater Entry Fee	\$ 5 per skater per TOI event

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**Simply follow the links for competition information and
use the link to register for the competition and pay with
a credit card only)**

PICKWICK ICE ARENA BURBANK, CA

Diagram shows main features of arena. Main hallway extends to another set of double doors at main entrance/parking lot and to a hallway that leads to the locker rooms. (Not all features to scale)

