



CanSkate, PreJunior, STARSkate and Adult Skate Information Package for Ice Show 2020



All our CanSkaters, PreJunior Skaters, STARSkaters and Adult Skaters are invited to join the fun, team spirit and camaraderie of this year's Ice Show. Our past and current skaters always rate this popular bi-annual event as among their best skating memories. Our skaters are truly the stars of the show, in an event that showcases the talents and achievements of each participant.

This year's theme will take our skaters on a journey to New Orleans. It will touch on the Legendary Jazz Musicians, interesting Swamps and Bayous, and of course the fun filled Mardi Gras Parades. We hope to create an enchanting and entertaining show targeted for all ages. Here are the important details for skaters and their families:

Important Dates to Remember

Wednesday, October 23, 2019	Ice Show Registration Begins
Sunday, November 17, 2019	Ice Show Registration Closes
Monday, February 10, 2020	Ice Show Ticket Sale Begins - Online
Monday, April 20, 2020	Cast List & Detailed Rehearsal Schedule Posted
Monday, May 11 – May 29, 2020	*CanSkate Rehearsals Begin – Please ensure you are available for rehearsals and performances up to (and including) May 31, 2020
Wednesday, May 13, 2020 – May 29, 2020	°STARSkate Rehearsals Begin – Skaters must attend all rehearsals and performances up to (and including) May 31.
Friday, May 22, 2020 1 st Half – 4:45 pm 2 nd Half – 5:45 pm	**°Finale Curtain Call rehearsal
Friday, May 29, 2020 – 5:00 pm	**°Dress rehearsal at Iceland Arena
Saturday, May 30, 2020 – 1:30 pm	**°Ice Show Performance at Iceland Arena
Saturday, May 30, 2020 – 7:00 pm	**°Ice Show Performance at Iceland Arena
Sunday, May 31, 2020 – 1:30 pm	**°Ice Show Performance at Iceland Arena

*indicates attendance is mandatory for participating CanSkaters

°indicates attendance is mandatory for participating STARSkaters

When and where are rehearsals?

Canskate rehearsals are held from May 11 – May 29. StarSkate rehearsals are from May 13 – May 29. All rehearsals are to be held at Meadowvale Four Rinks (Rink 3). All skaters attend a dress rehearsal at Iceland Arena on the evening of Friday, May 29.

A detailed rehearsal schedule will be posted April 20, 2020, but generally skaters can expect to rehearse 2-3 times per show number. CanSkater rehearsals will generally be scheduled when CanSkate sessions would normally run (Monday, Wednesday, or Thursday), and CanSkaters can expect to practice 3 times before the dress rehearsal.

When and where is the Ice Show held?

All performances are at Iceland Arena, 705 Matheson Blvd E., Mississauga – May 29 (evening dress rehearsal starts at 5 pm), May 30 (1:30 pm and 7:00 pm performances) and May 31 (1:30 pm performance). **All skaters must participate in all 3 performances plus the dress rehearsal.**

Is SMSC Ice Show open to all skaters?

Yes! All SMSC skaters from Level 1 CanSkate through all our levels of STARSkate are invited to participate. In fact, our youngest CanSkaters are often the most popular part of the show. CanSkaters **MUST** register in Session 2 CanSkate in order to participate in the Ice Show.

What will my skater be doing?

Each skater will be assigned to a specific group, according to skill level. During rehearsal time, our coaches will choreograph a number to fit the accompanying music, and it will be performed by the group during each Ice Show performance. Skaters are grouped according to skill level, and our coaches design each show number to showcase the appropriate skating level, so everyone can participate and enjoy!

How are skaters grouped for the ice show?

Once registration is complete, the Ice Show Director and our coaches work to group skaters of similar skill level together. Some adjustments may need to be made depending on costume availability and group size (some show numbers require larger groups, which can result in a broader range of skill level). If there is a group with widely varying levels, the more senior levels may take a leadership role and/or have an opportunity to do additional skating skills. We are unable to take requests to put friends in the same group or to change groups based on rehearsal times. All inquiries regarding casting should be made to info@smfsc.ca.

What about helmets?

As per Skate Canada rules, skaters up to CanSkate Level 5 must wear helmets.

How do I register?

Registration can be completed online by Sunday, November 17, via our website – www.smfsc.ca – just as you would register for your regular skating sessions. You will need to register for the appropriate program AND enter your skater's measurements and sizing for costumes.

Step 1: Enter your Skater's measurements

- Go to <http://www.smfsc.ca/>
- Click "Login" in the top right-hand corner – enter your username and password to proceed
- Click on "My Account" in the top right hand corner, then select "Skaters". Click on the skater's name that will be taking part in the ice show
- Update all relevant information regarding the skater's measurement details and allergy information. **Please be sure to inform us of your skater's serious allergies or other special requirements to help us offer a safe environment for everyone.**
- Click "Update"

Step 2: Register for the Ice Show

- Click on "Register" in the main navigational bar
- Either select the Skater level in the quick filters on the left to find the program or type "Ice Show" in the Quick Search box near the top – be sure to select the proper Ice Show Registration that is appropriate for your skater's level, click "Register". **Note: you will**

be prevented from registering in an ice show category your skater is not eligible for. CanSkaters will be prevented from registering unless they are registered for Session 2.

- Click “Confirm and Register” if you are not registering for any other programs and follow the instructions for payment.

Skaters’ measurements must be added to their skater profile by November 17 to ensure proper costume fitting. If you are unfamiliar with measuring, we can help during one of our Ice Show information sessions. The information sessions will allow you the opportunity to ask questions, watch a video, view pictures and get all of the details worked out.

When are the Ice Show Information Costume Measurement Sessions?

They are scheduled as the following:

Date	Time
Saturday, November 2	10:45 am – 12:30 pm
Monday, November 4	6:15 pm – 8:00 pm
Wednesday, November 6	6:15 pm – 8:00 pm
Thursday, November 7	6:00 pm – 7:45 pm

When do I have to register?

We must finalize and pay for costume rentals as soon as registration is complete. Our registration deadline is November 17, 2019. **Late entries will be accepted until December 1. There is a late fee charge of \$25 and will only be accepted at the discretion of the Ice Show Director.**

How many show numbers will my skater participate in?

What is the registration fee?

Here is how it works:

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| • CanSkate / Adult | 1 show number | \$100/skater |
| • PreJunior / Junior / Intermediate | 2 show numbers | \$150/skater |
| • Senior / Competitive | 3 show numbers | \$200/skater |

What do my registration fees cover?

Ice Show registration fees cover the cost of renting costumes, coaching fees and a small portion of the production costs. Registration fees do not cover the full cost of the Ice Show production. We expect to cover the majority of the production costs through ticket sales, program sales, and other fundraising activities during the skating season.

Are there any extra costs?

Tickets for family and friends to watch performances will be offered for sale in early 2020.

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| • Adults | \$25 |
| • Youth (5-17) / Senior (60+) | \$20 |
| • All Tickets at door | \$30 at door |
| • Ice level tables | \$100 (seats 4) |
| • Ice level tables | \$150 (seats 6) |

Other costs (Optional): Blu-Ray/DVD & Picture purchase, Skater pizza party (Saturday only), Ice Show program

Does my skater get to keep his/her Ice Show costume?

No. Our costumes are rented from a costume company and the Club also owns the remaining costumes and they **ALL** must be returned in good condition right after the final Ice Show performance on Sunday, May 31. In keeping with the theme of the show, if skaters are in more than 2 or 3 show numbers, they may be asked to provide certain elements of their costume from basic clothing elements they may already own or purchase basic reusable items to supplement costumes that they can keep for future use. (i.e. boot cover tights, black leggings, plain T-shirts, etc.)

PLEASE NOTE: The Club acknowledges that for religious reasons only some skaters are required to cover the body. If this affects your child, please identify this issue at the time of registration, so we can speak with you directly.

Does my skater have to attend every practice?

We ask that **skaters attend all practices**, but we understand that you may have to miss a practice due to illness. Please keep in mind that each skater becomes part of the Production Team. Skaters who repeatedly miss practices will not be able to take part in the show and cannot have their payment refunded.

What other commitment is required?

We need help from many volunteers to make the Ice Show a success. We are counting on our skaters' parents to get involved and lend a hand where they can. We will mostly need volunteers around the actual show time but there is a ton of work to be done proactively and we would love to have you involved. **For our STARSkate parents, Ice Show volunteer assignments will count towards the annual volunteer commitment; a detailed listing of volunteer positions will be posted and available for sign-up 4-6 weeks prior to the Ice Show.**

How much time will my CanSkater be on the ice during the show?

CanSkate participants will have 1 group number (group size- approximately 7 – 16 skaters) in the 1st half with a 1st half finale. Although this may not seem like a lot of time on the ice, young CanSkate members see it as a very important event.

How are solos and other highlighted performers chosen?

The Ice Show Director will select a small number of STARSkaters for solos, duets or highlights based on their completion of a minimum number of Gold tests and / or their participation in competitive and regional or provincially qualifying competitions. Please note that there will be an extra cost to cover costume and coaching expenses for those skaters selected.

What if my skater does not wish to participate after I have registered? All costumes are ordered and paid directly following registration; as such, **no refunds are possible after December 1, 2019**

More questions? Please email info@smfsc.ca.

Our bulletin board and website will have more information in the coming weeks.

We are looking forward to an exciting and fun-filled show....

Your Ice Show Organizing Committee