



September 7-10, 2016
Entry deadline: August 25, 2016

Fred Rust Ice Arena

Newark, Delaware



The National Solo Dance Series Final is being hosted by the University of Delaware Figure Skating Club, the University of Delaware High Performance Figure Skating Center and the Delaware Sports Commission and will take place at the Fred Rust and Gold Ice Arenas in Newark, Delaware.

REGISTRATION:

The registration desk is located in the lobby of the Fred Rust Ice Arena. It will be open at 12pm, Wednesday, September 7, 2016 and one hour prior to start of events on all subsequent days. Competitors are required to check the official bulletin board, located next to the registration desk, for any official updates. Posting of such notices, changes, or announcements shall be considered sufficient notice to all participants.

JUDGING SYSTEM: The 6.0 judging system will be used to determine all event results.

ENTRY FEE:

\$170 (includes one official and one warm up practice ice sessions and video) for pattern dance event
\$210 (includes two official and two warm up practice ice sessions and video) for combined event
\$120 (includes one official and one warm up ice sessions and video) for shadow dance event (\$60/per skater)

REFUND POLICY: **NO REFUNDS OR CREDITS** will be given.

AWARDS:

Medals will be awarded to the 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th place finishers in all events during an off ice awards ceremony scheduled after the completion of events. The complete final schedule of awards ceremonies will be posted on the official bulletin board.

LOCATION OF ARENA:

The competition will take place in Newark, Delaware at the Fred Rust Ice Arena located at 547 South College Ave, Newark, Delaware (302) 831-2868. The complex has two ice surfaces, the Fred Rust which is Olympic size and the Gold which is NHL size. The competition, warm ups and practices will be held in both arenas

COMPETITION SCHEDULE:

The Official Competition Schedule will be determined after the close of entries by the Chief Referee and will be posted on the US Figure Skating website. A tentative schedule of events is outlined in this announcement.

PRACTICE ICE:

There will be three types of practice ice offered:

Official: On official practice sessions for short dance and free dance, program music will be played in alphabetical order by last name. Official practice for the competition is tentatively scheduled to begin at 12pm on Wednesday, September 7, 2016. *(These are pre-assigned sessions included in the entry fee and there are no refunds or switching allowed. Each pattern dance event includes 1 official practice and each combined event includes 2 official practices)*

Warm up: during which no music will be played. *(These are pre-assigned sessions included in the entry fee and there are no refunds or switching allowed. Each pattern dance event includes 1 warm up and each combined event includes 2 warm ups)*

Unofficial: Competitors are allowed to pre-purchase additional unofficial practice ice session for \$20 for a 20 minute session. Music WILL NOT be played on unofficial sessions. Unofficial practice sessions will be available through EntryEeze after the close of entries and details will be provided at www.udfsc.com. There may be additional unofficial practice ice available for purchase on a first come first serve basis after the registration desk opens on Wednesday, September 7, 2016 for \$25 for a 20 minute session.

For skaters who qualify for Championship Round, practice ice will be available for purchase immediately after the results are posted. Official practice ice and warm-up packages will available for \$45 which will include one 30 minute official practice and one 20 minute warm-up. Please check the practice ice announcement board for the schedule of all practice ice sessions available for Championship Round qualifiers.

LODGING AND ACCOMMODATIONS:

Please visit www.udfsc.com for the list of hotels that have blocks set up for the event. We offer a variety of hotels to meet all different price points. All hotels are just a few minute drive to the rink.

ADMISSION: The 2016 National Solo Dance Series Finals will be open to the public with paid admission. All event passes are \$15 and daily passes are \$8/day. 5 and under are free. Passes can be purchased in advance through EntryEeze or at the front window in the Fred Rust Ice Arena. All competitors will receive a complimentary credential for one chaperone and one designated coach.

COMPETITION RULES:

Competition will be conducted in accordance with rules as detailed in the 2016 Solo Dance Series Handbook as well as the 2016 National Solo Dance Series Final Handbook addendum posted online at <http://www.usfigureskating.org/Programs.asp?id=479>.

Introductions: For all pattern dances, the introductory period may be up to 8 measures with an unlimited number of steps. Skaters exceeding an 8-measure introduction must be penalized by the judges.

Centerline crossings: in a regulation-sized rink (100' x 200') for pattern dances, the skaters may not cross the centerline of the rink. In rinks narrower than regulation size (less than 100' wide), the skater may cross the centerline up to one-half of the difference between the actual rink width and the 100' standard. For example, up to 7.5 feet on a surface 85' wide. The Fred Rust Arena is 200' x 100' and the Gold arena is 200' x 85'.

EVENTS:

Competition will take place in Combined Event, Pattern Dance Event and Shadow Dance Event. The initial and championship rounds for each event are as follows:

Combined Event:

Level	Qualifying Round	Championship Round
Juvenile	Hickory Hoedown & Free Dance	Juvenile Free Dance
Intermediate	Foxtrot & Free Dance	Intermediate Free Dance
Novice	American Waltz & Free Dance	Novice Free Dance
Junior	Short Dance & Free Dance	Junior Free Dance
Senior	Short Dance & Free Dance	Senior Free Dance

Pattern Dance Event:

Level	Qualifying Round	Championship Round
Preliminary	Dutch Waltz, Rhythm Blues	Canasta Tango
Pre-Bronze	Swing Dance, Fiesta Tango	Cha Cha
Bronze	Hickory Hoedown, Willow Waltz	Ten Fox
Pre-Silver	European Waltz, Foxtrot	Fourteenstep
Silver	American Waltz, Tango	Rocker Foxtrot
Pre-Gold	Blues, Paso Doble	Starlight Waltz
Gold	Quickstep, Argentine Tango	Viennese Waltz
International	Cha Cha Congelado, Rhumba	Tango Romantica

Shadow Dance:

Level	Championship Round
Preliminary	Canasta Tango
Juvenile	Cha Cha
Intermediate	Hickory Hoedown
Novice	Tango
Junior	Paso Doble
Senior	Silver Samba

VIDEO and PHOTOGRAPHY:

The video, photography and award photography will be provided by ProEventPhoto. Videos for your event are included in the entry fee. Photos and additional videos will be available through ProEventPhoto at the vendor table. For additional information please visit: ProEventPhoto.com or call (216) 466-2799.

COMPETITORS' MUSIC:

All competitors who have qualified to participate in the Combined event are required to upload their Solo Short Dance "SSD" (Junior & Senior levels only) and Solo Free Dance "SFD" (Juvenile, Intermediate, Novice, Junior & Senior levels) music via EntryEeze in MP3 format labeled as follows: "Level Event LastName FirstName". For example, skater entering junior level will submit two separate files labeled as follows: "Junior SSD Smith Suzi" and "Junior SFD Smith Suzi". The deadline for music submission is August 25, 2016.

CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND:

Top five skaters from each qualifying round group will advance to the Championship Round. The skaters' placement in the championship round only will determine their final placement.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS (subject to change):

Day	Event	Level
Wednesday September 7, 2016	Official Practice Ice	Combined Events: All Levels Pattern Dance Events: Pre-Silver, Silver, Pre-Gold, Gold, International
Thursday September 8, 2016	Competition	Combined Events: All Levels Pattern Dance Events: Pre-Silver, Silver, Pre-Gold, Gold, International
	Official Practice Ice	Combined Events: All Levels Pattern Dance Events: Preliminary, Pre-Bronze, Bronze, Pre-Silver, Pre-Gold
Friday September 9, 2016	Competition	Combined Events: All Levels Pattern Dance Events: Preliminary, Pre-Bronze, Bronze, Pre-Silver, Pre-Gold
	Official Practice Ice	Combined Events: All Levels Pattern Dance Events: Preliminary, Pre-Bronze, Bronze, Silver, Gold, international Shadow Dance Events: All Levels
Saturday September 10, 2016	Competition	Combined Events: All Levels Pattern Dance Events: Preliminary, Pre-Bronze, Bronze, Silver, Gold, international Shadow Dance Events: All Levels

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**2016 National Solo Dance Series Final Pre-Order Merchandise:
Pre-Order Deadline: August 25, 2016**

			
Lady's Athletic	Men's Athletic	Lady's Pullover	Men's Pullover
S,M,L,XL,2XL,3XL	S,M,L,XL,2XL,3XL	S,M,L,XL,2XL,3XL	S,M,L,XL,2XL,3XL
Girls Athletic	Youth Athletic		Youth Pullover
S,M,L,XL	S,M,L,XL		S,M,L,XL

2016 NSDF Logo Athletic Shirt: \$25.00

2016 NSDF Logo 1/4 Zip Pullover: \$55.00

A limited amount of pins and programs may be available at the registration desk.

Payment for Pre-Orders is through entryeze. All preordered merchandise will be at the registration desk at check-in.

**2016 National Solo Dance Series Final Program Advertisements:
Deadline: August 25, 2016
Email: santoferrara@aol.com**

The University of Delaware FSC invites you to place a personalized advertisement for your business or a personalized good luck message recognizing your club or skater in the program for the 2016 National Solo Dance Series Final.

Business Card	\$20.00
Quarter Page	\$30.00
Half-Page	\$50.00
Full Page	\$75.00
*Inside Cover	\$150.00

Contact Jerry at santoferrara@aol.com to confirm availability

Congratulate your skaters! You can tell your skater how proud you are of them by placing a personal message in the souvenir program. Personal Message ads are an eighth of a page. - \$20.00

Terms:

- The program format is 8 ½" x 11" printed black and white except for the cover and outside back cover.
- Advertisers must submit camera-ready artwork, 300 dpi digital art work (preferred .jpg or .pdf format) submitted via email to santoferrara@aol.com
- The 2015 National Solo Dance Series Final reserves the right to position all advertisements

Good luck and personal message ads are available through EntryEeze. Any ads in the form of artwork must be in jpeg format and emailed to santoferrara@aol.com. Payment is by credit card through EntryEeze.