

2017 National Showcase Competition



August 9-13, 2017 Snoopy's Home Ice 1667 West Steele Lane Santa Rosa, CA 95403

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GENERAL INFORMATION

The 2017 National Showcase competition will be held August 9 - 13, 2017. The event will be conducted in accordance with the rules and regulations of U.S. Figure Skating as set forth in the current rulebook and the current National Showcase guidelines, as well as any pertinent updates which have been posted on the U.S. Figure Skating website. The current auidelines for the National Showcase competition can be found at www.usfigureskating.org under Programs / National Showcase link on the home page.

This competition is open to all eligible, restricted, reinstated or readmitted persons as defined by the Eligibility Rules, and is a currently registered member of a U.S. Figure Skating member club, a collegiate club or an individual member in accordance with the current rulebook. All persons must be current members of U.S. Figure Skating for all dates of the competition. Please refer to the current rulebook for non-U.S. Citizens.

ELIGIBILITY & TEST REQUIREMENTS

- Placement pre-requisite for singles: Singles competitors, Preliminary through Senior, Adult Bronze through Adult Masters must have placed first, second, third or fourth in a contested showcase skating event at any sanctioned non-qualifying competition in the United States, held from July 14th, 2016 - July 13th, 2017, or in the immediately-prior (2016) National Showcase competition. Lower levels are not eligible to compete in National Showcase.
- Intermediate, Novice, Junior or Senior competitors who have entered a competition subsequently canceled for lack of other entries may substitute a testimonial letter from the chair or the registrar to get a bye to National Showcase.
- Test level: Competition level is the highest test passed as of the entry deadline. Skaters must compete at the highest level for which they qualify.
- Age restrictions/requirements: Required age and test qualifications must be in effect at • the date entries are closed (July 13th, 2017). Subsequent changes will not affect eligibility.

ENTRY FEES

All entries and payments must be submitted online through Entryeeze. Deadline for entry is July 13, 2017. Late entries will not be accepted

Entry fees are as follows:

- 1st Singles event: \$145 •
- Additional Singles event: \$85 •
- Interpretive event: \$55 (if also registered for an additional Singles event; otherwise, 1st • Singles event fee applies)
- Duet: \$145 per duet (Only one registration needed per duet team, but both skaters must be listed on the team roster.)
- Mini-Production and Production Ensembles: \$90 per team plus \$25 per skater (Team manager registers entire team and all members must be listed on the team roster by the deadline.)

ENTRY INFORMATION

List the coach that will be accompanying the skater(s) to National Showcase as the primary coach. Credentials will be prepared only for coaches listed in EntryEeze as primary coaches. Mini Production and Production Ensembles may designate two coaches/adult managers – both must be designated at the time of registration. Practice ice selection, personal "Good Luck" messages for the program, tickets, and program pre-orders will be available through the (EntryEeze process) and are subject to the same deadline.

All competitors, one chaperone per skater and one designated U.S. Figure Skating member registered coach or other ISU National Governing Board member registered coach per skater (two per Mini Production and Production Groups) will receive free credentials. All others will be required to purchase tickets (including any additional coaches in attendance). Prior to the entry deadline, discounted tickets are available through (EntryEeze). After the registration deadline, tickets may be purchased at the door.

TEAM EVENT ENTRIES

You will need to register each team separately in the online system. When you register, you will need to provide the following information (please gather all of this information prior to beginning your online registration):

- "Team Contact" this will be the contact information for a primary person who will be responsible for the team "Team Name" this will be the name used on the skating orders and in the program
- Number of team members (this should include alternates) and will be the basis of the per member charge for the event
- The team roster for each of the team members, you will need the following information:
 - Skater first and last name
 - Skater date of birth
 - Skater highest test passed for free skate and moves in the field
 - Skater USFS number
 - Email address of the skater if over 18 or the email address of the skater's legal guardian if under 18 so that they can accept the liability waiver for that skate

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

A 30 – word maximum description of the performance is required with your online entry. Prior to payment, you will be asked to enter the descriptions for each of your programs. This information can only be entered once – you will NOT be able to update or change this after you pay. Make sure that you have <u>no commas</u> in your description – use other punctuation like "-"to separate thoughts in a sentence. No audio descriptions allowed.

LIABILITY AND REFUNDS

Liability: According to U.S. Figure Skating rule #3200, U.S. Figure Skating, its members or officials, Santa Rosa Figure Skating Club, and Snoopy's Home Ice assume no responsibility for injury or damages incurred during the 2017 National Showcase. : I understand that ice skating can be a dangerous and injurious sport. I assume full responsibility for my own risk of injury. As a participant, I understand and accept the full risk and financial responsibility of my participation in the competition and waive all rights to assert or levy any and all claims, losses, liabilities, costs and/or liens against the organizations known as "Snoopy's Home Ice", "Redwood Empire Ice Operations, LLC", "Redwood Empire Ice Arena", "Redwood Empire Ice Arena, LLC", "Woodstock Ice Productions", Jean F. Schulz", "Charles M. Schulz Museum & Research Center", Schulz Investment Limited Partnership", "US Figure Skating" and "Santa Rosa Figure Skating Club." Furthermore, I waive the rights of my heirs, executors and administrators of my estate to assert or levy any and all claims, losses, liabilities, costs and/or liens against the aforementioned corporations and organizations. I agree to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the organizations known as "Snoopy's Home Ice", "Redwood Empire Ice Operations, LLC", "Redwood Empire Ice Arena", "Redwood Empire Ice Arena, LLC", "Woodstock Ice Productions", "Jean F. Schulz", "Charles M. Schulz Museum & Research Center", Schulz Investment Limited Partnership", "US Figure Skating" and "Santa Rosa Figure Skating Club " and these corporations' and organizations' officers, management, agents and staff from and against any and all claims, losses, liabilities, costs and/or liens for accidents or injuries to myself, or any other person or property damage caused by me or arising out of my participation in this competition. This is in accordance with the official U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook.

<u>Refunds:</u> According to U.S. Figure Skating rule #3047, <u>absolutely no refunds for any reason</u> after the competition entry deadline of July 13, 2017.

U.S. Figure Skating, its members or officials, Santa Rosa Figure Skating Club, and Snoopy' s Home Ice cannot and will not be responsible for any losses incurred by teams in cases of emergency, theft, or acts of God.

REGISTRATION

The registration desk will open at least 1 hour before the start of competition, and will remain open throughout the competition and practice ice hours. The registration table will be clearly marked and located in the arena box office area.

<u>Only Team Managers</u> are to register the team. Music must be turned in and team rosters will be confirmed. The official bulletin board for all official notices will be in the arena box office.

COACHES

U.S. Figure Skating Rule MR 5.11 Coach Compliance

In order to be granted access to work within U.S. Figure Skating sanctioned activities, each coach must complete the following requirements on an annual basis by July 1, 2017.

- A. Must be a current full member for the skating year, extending from July 1, 2017 June 30, 2017, of U.S. Figure Skating either through a member club or as an individual member.
- B. Must complete the coach registration process through the U.S. Figure Skating Members Only site, submit proper payment for the annual registration fee of \$30 and, if 18 years of age or older, successfully pass the background screen.
- C. Must complete the appropriate CER courses to attain a CER Category of at least B as of July 1, 2017. See rule MR 5.12.
- D. Must submit proof of current general liability insurance with limits of \$1 million per occurrence/\$5 million aggregate.

The local organizing committee/club will have a list of compliant coaches (maintained and updated frequently by United States Figure Skating) who are cleared for a credential at the competition.

- Coaches will need to check in at the arena event Registration Table and show a government-issued photo I.D. to receive a credential.
- If a coach cannot provide a photo I.D. and is not on the list or cannot produce the necessary documents, he or she will not be allowed a credential – NO EXCEPTIONS WILL BE MADE. We strongly urge all coaches to have their Coach Registration cards and other relevant certifications with them. Non-credentialed coaches will not be permitted in the designated coaching area at rink side during events including practice sessions.
- Coaching at U.S. Figure Skating events without compliance is an ethics violation which is reported to U.S. Figure Skating and PSA.

MUSIC

Upon registration, skaters are to turn in their competition CDs (Only standard format - no rerecordable CD-RW discs). Each CD must have only one program on it starting at beginning of the CD. CD's must be clearly identified with:

- Name of Club
- Name of Skater
- □ Category of Skater
- Program
- Exact duration of Program

All skaters must have a back-up CD available at rink side. CD's must be picked up at Registration following the event. No CDs will be mailed. A separate CD must be brought to all practices. Music may not be turned in on MP3 players, phones, i-pods or other electronic devices.

BULLETIN AND NOTICES

The latest schedule updates and changes will be posted on the Official Bulletin Board near the Registration desk in the arena box office area.

The official schedule of events will be posted on the official bulletin board and will supersede all other schedules. It is the responsibility of each competitor and coaches to check the official bulletin board for all official information. Notices posted here are considered sufficient notice to all competitors, coaches and participants. Check frequently.

DRAW

There will be no Open Draw.

CRITIQUES

There will be no critiques for the 2017 National Showcase competition.

AWARDS

- Winners of the initial rounds will, with second, third and fourth places, receive medals.
- Winners of a final round, or of a group without a final round, will be U.S. Figure Skating National Showcase 2017 Champions in their respective levels and categories. E.G.: "U.S. Figure Skating National Showcase: 2017 Intermediate Dramatic Champion." Winners will, with the second and third and fourth places, receive medals.
- Winners of the Parades of Champions will be U.S. Figure Skating National Showcase 2017 Champions and will, with second, third and fourth places, receive trophies. Winners of the Parade of Junior Champions will, with second, third and fourth places, receive trophies. The name of the winner of the Parade of Champions for singles will also be added to the Richard Dwyer Trophy (Perpetual Trophy). The name of the winner of the Parade of Junior Champions for singles will also be added to the Haley Gans Skate with All Your Heart Trophy (Perpetual Trophy). Winners of the Interpretive and Showcase Duet Parades of Champions will, with the second, third and fourth places, receive trophies.
- Certificates specified by the U.S. Figure Skating Theatrical Skating Committee will be presented at registration to those competing.

ADMISSION

All-Event Tickets purchased in advance (age12 and over)\$40.00All-Event Tickets purchased in advance (age 3-11)\$25.00All-Event tickets purchased at the door (age12 and over)\$50.00All-Event tickets purchased at the door (age 3-11)\$35.00Daily Tickets purchased at the door only (all ages over 2)\$15.00

Children 2 years of age and under free.

ADVERTISING

Opportunities are available for teams to wish their skaters "Good Luck" in the official program for the 2017 National Showcase competition. Good Luck Ads can be created and added to your cart on Entryeeze.

CREDENTIALS

- All skaters and alternates listed on a roster will receive "All Access" credentials.
- The primary coach listed in Entryeeze will receive an "All Access" credential.

Only "All Access" credential holders are allowed to enter the locker room area of the arena.

PHOTOGRAPHY / VIDEO

Official video and photography will be taken and available for purchase at the event.

Video and photography by:

Jeff Lancaster Pro-Mix Sound & Video 8815 Bowdoin Way Edmonds, WA. 425-672-2627

Please note: videotaping of the competition, including practice ice, in any form is strictly prohibited per U.S. Figure Skating Policy.

ARENA INFORMATION

<u>Competition Rink</u>: Snoopy's Home Ice 1667 West Steele Ln. Santa Rosa, CA 95403 707-546-7147

The Redwood Empire Ice Arena is 185 x 85 feet with slightly rounded corners. Performance area is reduced by curtain. The facility also has *The Warm Puppy* Café and 3 locker rooms. For the safety of the competitors, only "All Access" credentials will have admittance to the locker room area.

ICE RINK SET UP

<u>Curtain:</u> There will be a curtain used during the event. The curtain will be at the north end of the arena near the Zamboni entrance to the ice.

<u>Rink Access</u>: The rink will be accessible by skaters from the Zamboni access door, with exit through the same door. Scenery and Props will be available at the Scenery Entrance of the arena, near the Zamboni garage, see rink diagram.

Lighting: Follow spots will be used. Skaters have the option of using house lights. It is the intention of the LOC to use colored follow spots for all events, including duets and production ensembles,

unless the backstage monitors are notified prior to the skater's event.

Note: Rink Diagrams are purely for guidance and should not be considered as a precise depiction.

SCHEDULE

A tentative schedule is provided below:

Wednesday, August 9, 2017 -	- 6:00 a.m. – 12:40 p.m	Practice Ice
	1:00 p.m 5:00 pm –	Competition/Practice Ice
	5:00 p.m 10:00 p.m. –	Practice Ice
Thursday, August 10, 2017 –	6:00 a.m 7:30 a.m	Practice Ice
	8:00 a.m 11:00p.m	Competition/Practice Ice
Friday, August 11, 2017 –	6:00 a.m 7:30 a.m	Practice Ice
	8:00 a.m 11:00p.m	Competition/Practice Ice
Saturday, August 12, 2017 –	6:00 a.m 7:30 a.m	Practice Ice
	8:00 a.m 11:00p.m	Competition/Practice Ice
Sunday, August 13, 2017 –	6:00 a.m 7:30 a.m	Practice Ice
	8:00 a.m 11:00p.m	Competition/Practice Ice

This schedule is subject to change based on the number of entries. The event schedule will be updated again as soon as possible after the close of entries. Please check back often. Do not assume days of competition and please note that the specific competition dates are tentative and may change based upon the final entry numbers following the close of entries.

JUDGING INFORMATION

Judges Location: The judges will be seated on the west side of the ice.

<u>Seating Location:</u> Permanent seating is on the west side of the arena. Skaters may orientate scenery and performance to the audience and judges accordingly. See attached arena diagram.

HOTEL INFORMATION

OFFICIAL HOTEL:

Hilton Sonoma Wine Country 3555 Round Barn Blvd. Santa Rosa, CA 707.523.7555

Other Area Hotels:

Hyatt Vineyard Creek 171 Railroad St. Santa Rosa, CA 95401 707.284.1234

Courtyard by Marriott 175 Railroad St. Santa Rosa, CA 95401 707.573.9000

Fountaingrove Inn 101 Fountain Grove Parkway Santa Rosa, CA 95403 707.578.6101 Best Western Garden Inn 1500 Santa Rosa Avenue Santa Rosa, CA 95404 800.881.1523

Vintners Inn 4350 Barnes Rd. Santa Rosa, CA 95403 800.421.2584

Flamingo Conference Resort and Spa 2777 4th Street Santa Rosa, CA 95405 707.545.8530

TRAVEL INFORMATION

GETTING TO SANTA ROSA

Visitors arriving by air have several choices of nearby airports. San Francisco International Airport is 77.05 miles south of Snoopy's Home ice and the official hotel. Oakland International Airport is 68.94 miles south of Snoopy's Home Ice and the official hotel. Both airports are serviced by numerous major airline carriers. The Charles M. Schulz Airport is 6.84 miles north of Snoopy's Home Ice and the official hotel. The Charles M. Schulz Sonoma County Airport has somewhat limited service with flights provided by American Airlines, United Airlines and Alaska Airlines. Several national chain rental car companies are located at each airport, and there are Shuttle and taxi services for ground transportation. Public transportation to and from the airport is not available.

If you are driving to the competition, driving directions to Snoopy's Home Ice, 1667 West Steele Lane, Santa Rosa, CA 95403, are available at <u>www.snoopyshomeice.com</u> or other internet map sites.

COMPETITORS PARTY

Competitors party is tentatively scheduled for Friday, August 11, 2017. More information and tickets to the competitors party will be available through entryeeze.com.

PRACTICE ICE

There are no complimentary practice ice sessions. Snoopy's Home Ice is a single-surface facility, and therefore, we are able to offer a limited number of practice ice sessions. Reserved practice ice sessions will be available through Entryeeze. Practice ice must be pre-reserved and pre-paid. There is an initial limit of pre-ordering 1session per skater. Should practice ice slots remain following the close of entries, an email will be sent through Entryeeze to all registered skaters simultaneously informing them that slots are still available on a first-come, first-served basis. Following that offering, additional remaining slots may be available on a walk-on basis, for which you will sign up and pay for at the competition registration desk.

Tentative practice ice schedule is included above under schedule. Please note that this tentative schedule is subject to change.

No props allowed during practice ice.

Practice Ice will be available for purchase through entryeeze.com.

Music Practice Ice:

Music Practice Ice will be 30 minute sessions with music played for 12 competitors. An additional 8 competitors will be able to sign up without music being played.

Cost: With Music: \$25.00 Without Music: \$20.00

Production practice ice

Production practice ice will be added once the schedule is posted, if time permits.

LOCAL ORGANIZING COMMITTEE CONTACTS

Competition Chairman: Andrea Ewing, <u>Andrea3159@aol.com</u> Veronica Nebb, <u>VNebb@aol.com</u>

Officials Liaison/Housing: Veronica Nebb, Vnebb@aol.com

Practice Ice: Santarosafsc@aol.com

Registration Info: Andrea Ewing, <u>Andrea3159@aol.com</u>, entry information also available at: entryeeze.com

Vendors: Santarosafsc@aol.com

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