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Dear BFSC,

May got off to a big start with the 15th Annual Magic City Ice Classic!
Congratulations to all our BFSC and Pelham Skate School skaters and coaches
for contributing to the largest competition BFSC has held since before the
Pandemic.

A heartfelt thank you to the BFSC Board of Directors and members of the LOC,
who have been working behind the scenes to prepare for MCIC for months. A
shout out to friends and family members who came out in force the weekend of
the competition to help make the magic happen. Everyone contributed to the
success of the competition!

Now we are gearing up for the Annual Banquet, Board Nominations & Elections, as well as the Membership Drive. Read on!

BFSC BOARD ELECTIONS

It is time to elect our BFSC Board of Directors for the 2025-2026 season! We can't emphasize enough the importance of club participation in this process. As a board member, your time, talents, and voice will be instrumental in the success and growth of the BFSC.

Nominations are self-nominations and will be accepted until Monday, May 26th at 11:59PM. When sending your nomination, please also include a short bio and your reason for wanting to join the Board. All nominations are to be emailed to Autumn Jackson, BFSC Nominating Committee Chair (autumntheonly1993@gmail.com).

Note that nominations for the Executive Board positions (Pres, VP, Secretary, Treasurer, Test Chair) can only come from those that have been on the board as a member at large for at least one year. The remaining nominations will be for "member at large" positions and can come from those members that have been in our club for at least 6 months.

All BFSC members, age 18 and over in good standing are eligible to participate in club governance and may vote once in Board elections. Once all nominations are in, a ballot will be emailed to members with one week to turn in your vote. The new Officers and Board of Directors will be announced in June.

Thank you BFSC members for your voice and support as we prepare to take BFSC into another successful year.

TESTS PASSED

Congratulations to the following skaters who passed tests during the May 2, MCIC Test Session:

Braylee Bice, Pre-Preliminary Skating Skills

Allison Ambler, Adult Bronze Singles, with Honors

Blayne Powers, Gold Singles

Emmy Newsom, Preliminary Singles

Palmer Lunsford, Pre-Gold Singles

CONGRATULATIONS TO BLAYNE POWERS

During MCIC, Blayne was presented with the 2025 Kathy Slack Memorial trophy for highest combined points in Novice Women's events at Skate Nashville April 10-11. Well done Blayne!! Thank you, Nashville Figure Skating Club!

BFSC ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DRIVE June 1 – June 30, 2025

Mark your calendars to renew your BFSC membership in June! Stay tuned for reminders, instructions, and information. Renewals must be completed by June 30 to be able to test, compete, and for all the other benefits of being a part of the USFSA and BFSC community!

1961 SOCIETY

As part of BFSC's ongoing fundraising efforts, we have created the **BFSC 1961 Society** in honor of the club's founding year. Tax-deductible donations of any size can be made via our non-profit organization's partner, SpotFund.com. Contribute here for the Upcoming Season! All donors will be acknowledged in a roster on the club website.

<https://www.spotfund.com/story/9932a9b8-de62-4d91-94fb-d554ad060fff>

Since 1961, the Birmingham Figure Skating Club (BFSC) has been a nonprofit U.S. Figure Skating club that allows members of all ages and abilities to participate, develop, and achieve success in the sport of figure skating. The mission of BFSC is to host and facilitate a variety of activities ranging from group and private lessons to USFSA testing and competitions. Club activities foster a culture of fellowship, philanthropy, and fun as we embrace USFSA's mission of developing champions on and off the ice. BFSC supports skaters across a variety of skating disciplines including singles, pairs, ice dancing, synchronized, and showcase.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SAVE THE DATE: ANNUAL BANQUET, Saturday, June 7, 2 – 4 pm

Come join the fun and celebrate BFSC Skaters & Coaches! Open to all members, coaches, family and friends! Details to come VERY SOON!

SUMMER EXHIBITION / SKATER SEND-OFF to be announced.

Stay tuned for date and time to watch and cheer on our skaters who will be representing BFSC at Showcase Nationals (July 28-Aug 2) in Rochester, MI; at the NQS Dupage Open (Aug 1- 3) in Evanston, IL; and at the Scott Hamilton Invitational (Aug 1-3) in Bellevue, TN.

ADULT SKATER NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

USFSA has announced locations for the 2026 Adult Qualifying Competitions and we are so excited that the Championships will be held close to home in Duluth, GA!!

2026 U.S. Adult Figure Skating Championships Presented by Prevagen

Dates: April 8-11, 2026

Location: Duluth, Georgia

Venue: Atlanta IceForum

Host: Georgia FSC

ADULT SKATING OPPORTUNITIES

Pelham Skate School

Adult Learn to Skate, Monday nights, 6:30-7:30 pm.

New Session begins soon: <https://pelham.finnlyconnect.com/registration/activitylist>

Huntsville Skating School and Training Academy, Huntsville Ice Sports Center:

Adult Only Freeskate Sessions Saturdays 12:10-1:10 PM

Adult Only Learn to Skate Saturdays 11:10 am to 12:10 PM

Morning Brew Glide Crew Tuesdays 6-7 a.m.

For more information call (256) 883-3774.

2025 Upcoming Adult Skate Weekends & Camps

May 16 - 18

System of Skating Adult Skate Camp, Lake Placid, NY

<https://www.systemofskating.com/lakeplacidcampmay2025>

May 22- 23 Test Track & May 23- 25 Social Dance Track

Kansas City Ice Center, Ice Dance Weekend

Contact: Kay Olive, Skate School Director, 913-441-3033

May 24 – 26, Memorial Day Weekend

Scott Hamilton Adult International Skating Camp, Nashville, TN

<https://www.nhl.com/predators/fordicecenter/scott-hamilton-skating-academy-adult>

June 7 - 8, Nashville Skating Academy

Train with the Best Adult Seminar Weekend, all levels welcome!

Registration closed in April. Any questions? Contact Nashville Skating Academy at nashvilleskatingacademy@gmail.com or call 615-928-7977.

July 25 - 27, Starlight Ice Dance Club

Minneapolis Ice Dance Weekend, Eden Prairie Community Center .

Registration is open, visit <https://www.starlighticedanceclub.com/>

There is a \$20 early bird discount rate for the full weekend if your registration is postmarked by June 25, 2025.

Questions? Contact Connie Fukuda-Clark, cfukuda@comcast.net

August 1 – 2, DMV (Delaware- Maryland-Virginia) Adult Skating Weekend

Gardens Sports Academy, The Gardens Ice House, Laurel MD

<https://www.thegardensicehouse.com/dmv-adultskatingweekend>

Questions? Contact Greg Maddalone at gregm@thegardensicehouse.com

For more info about Adult Skating: <https://www.usfigureskating.org/skate/skating-opportunities/adult-skating>

JUNIOR BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Junior Board and friends and family helped the LOC to prepare gift bags and decorations for MCIC and also volunteered with their time and energy as Runners, Announcers, Ice Monitors, and in other positions in addition to competing. THANK YOU ALL!

Once school is out, the Junior Board looks forward to summer planning and elections in August. Stay tuned for more information!

Congratulations to JB High School graduates Peyton King and Cianna Brulez! We wish you both every success. Peyton will be attending University of Alabama and Cianna will be attending UAB.

Our current Featured Skater is Emmaline Hubert! Next up is Charlie Fitzgerald. Keep an eye out for her poster which will go up early June.

If you or your skater would like to be a Featured Skater in the lobby, please fill out the form (link below) with your information (age, coaches, goals, favorite skating skills, etc.) and 4 to 5 photos, preferably on the ice. High resolution, 300 dpi is best. Featured Skater posters are prepared and posted on a rolling basis as the content is received.

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1AwTLMWymOv2WQQ9f0f2N5CdIA46FC5eA9EyD-mH-saM/edit)

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SUMMER COMPETITION DATES

July 17-18, Peach Classic (Adult Comp) & Peach Open (Non-Qual), Duluth, AL

Registration is open, deadline is June 17 unless it fills sooner.

July 25 – 27, Charleston Open (Non-Qual)

Registration is open and closes June 15

July 28 – Aug 2, Showcase Nationals, Rochester, MI

Aug 1 – 3, Scott Hamilton Invitational

Ford Ice Center, Bellevue, TN

Registration opens soon, deadline is June 28 unless it fills sooner.

August 22 – 24, Atlanta Open (both Non-Qual and NQS)

Cumming, GA

Registration coming soon, deadline for both is July 17

Here's a link to view 2025 NQS Competitions and the schedule for registration:

<https://www.usfigureskating.org/sites/default/files/media-files/2025%20-%202026%20NQS%20Competitions%20Calendar.pdf>

This is not a comprehensive listing! Go to EMS to search all competitions! Note that Adult Skaters and Collegiate Skaters often have different competitions and schedules.

Thank you for reading to the end! Any omissions or errors are unintended! Send your comments or questions by replying directly to this email.

Sincerely, BFSC