



BIRMINGHAM FIGURE
SKATING CLUB

BLADELINES: November 2025

Dear BFSC,

The holidays are almost here—and so are the Winter Olympics! Our rink is buzzing with energy as skaters of all ages prepare for shows, practices, and performances. From beginners to competitors, every skater adds their own sparkle to the season.

Plan Ahead: Christmas on Ice Show

Skate Director Christian Newberry and the PCC coaches are beginning to plan the annual holiday show. BFSC skaters are invited to participate.

If you or your skater is interested, please speak with your/your child's coach for more details. The coaches each have limited slots to fill for solo and group programs so please talk with them soon! The registration fee is \$35.

CHRISTMAS ON ICE SHOW

Saturday, December 20

PCC Main Arena

5:30 - 7:30 pm

Any other questions please direct to Coach Christian
at CNewberry@pelhamalabama.gov

Join the LOC: Help Launch Our New 2026 Competition!

The LOC is laying the groundwork for Magic City Ice Classic and a new competition, Bama Blades Ice Challenge, to be presented in September 2026. Members of the LOC are the engine behind the club and all its activities. It is never too late to join the crew! We always need more hands on-deck. The sign-

up link is below. Email Monica Powers (monicapowers4@yahoo.com) or text her (601)-383-3573 if you have any questions.

LOC SIGN-UP LINK

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0444ABAA2BABFE3-57612182-20252026#/>

Magic City Theatre on Ice Christmas Performance

Magic City Theatre on Ice invites skaters ages **12 and up** to join their special number in the Christmas on Ice Show.

Eligible skaters must have passed the following levels: Adult Freestyle 1 and up, Aspire Freestyle 1 and up, Pre-Preliminary through Gold Freestyle. Skaters may participate in only ONE number in the show. If you are performing a solo or in another group number, you may not participate in the Theater on Ice number.

Rehearsals:

Sunday, Dec 14 • 1:30-2:45 PM (off-ice) & 3:00-4:00 PM (on ice)

Saturday, Dec 20 • Afternoon rehearsal before the show (time TBD)

Skaters must attend both rehearsals to perform.

Participation Fee: \$95

Includes ice time, coaching, performance fee, costume accessory rental, and a keepsake t-shirt (part of your performance costume!)

Skaters should wear **solid black pants** for the show.

Sign up here:

<https://checkout.square.site/merchant/MLJK286VX1D0J/checkout/W4BX2ESVVDZVKLYQN76H5CD3>

Please email questions to magiccitytoi@gmail.com.

SPONSORS NEEDED for the 2026-27 Season!

It is that time of year again! Our generous sponsors give BFSC "The Edge!"

Please reply to this email right away if you are interested or contact Henrika Taylor directly at henrikataylor@gmail.com. This year we have two donor levels:

Leading-Edge Level \$500

- * Announced as a Leading-Edge Sponsor at the Magic City Ice Classic.
- * Announced as a Leading-Edge Sponsor at all Club Ice and Exhibition Events open to the public.
- * Listed in Programs, Signage, and Arena Jumbotron for Magic City Ice Classic.
- * Business logo Included on lobby posters.
- * Advertised in all Club social media, Bladeline newsletters, and on the website.

Cutting-Edge Level \$250

- * Announced as a Cutting-Edge Sponsor at Club Ice and Exhibition Events open to the public.
- * Business Logo included on the 2024-25 Club Member T-Shirt.
- * Listed in Programs and Signage.
- * Advertised in all Club social media, newsletters, and on the website.

Donations and Contributions are tax deductible and help underwrite the cost of ice time and bringing nationally ranked officials to our test sessions and competitions.

Checks may be made out to:
Birmingham Figure Skating Club and dropped off or mailed to: BFSC, Attn. Loredana Cretu, Treasurer, Pelham Civic Center & Ice Arena, 500 Amphitheater Drive, Pelham 35124.

Sidenote: Officials are volunteers who love figure skating and dedicate their free time and expertise to help further the sport. In return, clubs like ours cover their travel and accommodations when they serve on panels for competitions and test sessions. Besides ice time, this is the club's greatest expense.

APPLY NOW! USFSA GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS AWARD PROGRAM

High School Seniors who will graduate next spring are recognized for continuing their training in figure skating while pursuing their academic studies. The U.S. Figure Skating High School Programs Subcommittee honors qualified graduates for their achievements during high school through the presentation of a certificate to the skater during a school function or recognition opportunity.

There are four level designations awarded within the program: bronze, silver, gold and platinum. Individuals receive awards based on their highest skating achievement (test or competition) during high school as noted on their application.

The Graduating Seniors Award for the Class of 2026 opened on September 1, 2025. General Application deadline is March 16, 2026. Log into Members Only to access the application or go to:

<https://www.usfigureskating.org/skate/skating-opportunities/high-school-skating>

COMPETITION NEWS

Last month, Adria Liliac competed in the ISU Golden Bear competition in Zagreb, Croatia Oct 23- 26. She will finish her year of international competition at the Romanian Nationals EduSport Trophy, Dec 8 – 14 in Bucharest, Romania.

REACH YOUR TESTING GOALS!

We encourage you to talk with your coaches about joining an upcoming in-person test session. At BFSC, we deeply value the role virtual testing can play when needed, but we also recognize the unique benefits that come from testing in person.

We hope you'll consider joining one of the upcoming **in-person test sessions**:

Sunday, Nov 16, 2025 • 8:00 – 11:30 am, Practice Rink

Sunday, February 15, 2026 • Time TBD

May 1-3, 2026 • During the weekend of Magic City Ice Classic, (date and time TBD)

ADULT SKATER NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



Save the Dates: Adult Social Skate

Saturday, Nov 22, 2025 • 1:15–2:15 PM (Main Rink)

Sunday, Dec 7, 2025 • 1:15–2:15 PM (Main Rink)

Adult skaters of all levels are invited!

Please bring your own skates.

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

Dates: April 8-11, 2026

Location: Duluth, Georgia

Venue: Atlanta IceForum

Host: Georgia FSC

MORE ADULT SKATING OPPORTUNITIES

Pelham Skate School

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

<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.

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

JUNIOR BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS

Big Thanks to everyone who came out for the Halloween Spooktacular, Trunk or Treat, and annual Bake Sale on October 25! We had a great crowd of over 100 in

attendance and some fantastic costumes! The Trunk or Treat was creative, spooky, and artsy and included fangs, a fog machine, cheerful monsters, a creepy clown, Cat in the Hats, and a little bit of Christmas. Several beloved dogs, Blanton, Poppy, and Snow joined in the fun! Lots of candy was given out and the Bake Sale was a big success with delicious goodies that raised over \$300 towards the Junior Board's commitment to the Riverchase United Methodist Church Angel Tree Children project. The remaining goodies were donated to the Firehouse Ministries and were much appreciated.

Stay tuned for details for the Valentine Social Skate and Sock Drive on February 8, 2026!

The Junior Board is in charge of keeping a display case as current as possible and creates the Featured Skater posters displayed in the lobby. Featured Skater posters are prepared and posted on a rolling basis by our Junior Board Historian as the content is received. Sign up here:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1AwTLMWymOv2WQQ9f0f2N5CdIA46FC5eA9EyD-mH-saM/viewform?edit_requested=true



BFSC 2025-26 CALENDAR

Sunday, Nov 16: In-Person Test Session
Saturday, Dec 20: A Christmas Show
Saturday, Jan 3: Get Out & Skate Day
Sunday, Feb 8: Valentine Social Skate
Sunday, Feb 15: In-Person Test Session
May 1 – 3: Magic City Ice Classic & In-Person Test Session
Sept 2026 TBD: Bama Blades Ice Challenge

FOLLOW USFSA COMPETITIONS

Nov 3 – 9, Pacific Coast Sectional Singles & US Ice Dance Final: Henderson, NV

Nov 10 – 16, Eastern Sectional Singles Final: Charleston, SC

Nov 17 – 21, Midwestern Sectional Singles & US Pairs Final: Lansing, MI

Jan 4 – 11, The 2026 Prevagen U.S. Figure Skating Championships: St. Louis, MO will be held
at the Enterprise Center, serving as the final qualifying event for the U.S. Olympic Team for the Milano Cortina 2026 Winter Games. The national

championships will feature top-level skaters in women's, men's, pairs, and ice dance disciplines, with the Olympic team being named on January 11, 2026

Here's a link to view 2025 NQS Competitions:

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

Go to EMS to search all competitions! Note that Adult Skaters and Collegiate Skaters often have different competitions and schedules.

An Ice Show You Don't Want to Miss!

November 23 – Scott Hamilton & Friends in Nashville

Don't miss this incredible annual ice show featuring an all-star cast, including

Nathan Chen, Gracie Gold, Mariah Bell, and John & Sinead Kerr. This inspiring event is more than just a performance—it's also a **fundraiser for the Scott Hamilton CARES Foundation**, supporting cancer research.

Experience world-class skating for a great cause!

More information and tickets are available at: <https://www.scottcares.org/scotthamiltonandfriends>

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