



ICE SHOW & YEAR END AWARD POLICIES

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**SELECTION CRITERIA CAN BE REVIEWED ON AN ANNUAL BASIS AT
DISCRETION OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS.**

CANSKATER OF THE YEAR

Award Eligibility and Selection Criteria

At the end of the skating season one (1) skater in the CanSkate Program who has shown excellence within the Huntsville Skating Club will be selected as the “CanSkater of the Year”. The skater will receive a trophy with their name on it.

Eligibility

- Skater must be in “Good Standing” with the Huntsville Skating club.
- The skater must be registered with Skate Canada with the Huntsville Skating Club as their HOME club.
- Must meet all selection criteria as listed below.

Selection Criteria

- The skater demonstrates skating talent and achievement by:
 - Participating in the CanSkate program
 - Demonstrating an enjoyment of movement on the ice
 - Demonstrating or showing a relative mastery of the skills as per the LTADM “Learn to Skate” stage (motor skills, technical, artistic)

Nomination Process

- Each coach may nominate two (2) skaters for the Fall Canskate program and the Winter Canskate program award. Final selections will be made at the February Board meeting prior to the Ice Show.
- The coaches will complete a nomination form for each nominee and submit to the President of the Huntsville Skating Club by **February 8 2026**.
- The President will then bring forward the names of the nominees/selection rationale to the February Board meeting. After which a vote will be held by the Board of directors and the candidate with the highest number of votes qualifies for the award. If the Board members are unable to choose a nominee based on the coach nominations, those Board members must present written rationale to the President. The President will then notify the coaches by email, with the rationale and ask each coach to nominate another skater.

Coaches are encouraged to consider/review all CanSkaters in the nomination process, however the previous season’s award winner is ineligible

BRONZE SKATER OF THE YEAR

Award Eligibility and Selection Criteria

At the end of the skating season one (1) skater in the Bronze level who has shown excellence within the Huntsville Skating Club will be selected as the “Bronze Skater of the Year”. The skater will receive a “Skater of the Year” trophy and their name will be added to the “Skater of the Year” plaque in the Don Lough display case.

Eligibility

- Skater must be in “Good Standing” with the Huntsville Skating club.
- The skater must be registered with Skate Canada with the Huntsville Skating Club as their HOME club.
- Must meet all selection criteria as listed below.

Selection Criteria

Skater must demonstrate characteristics of

- Dedication & Loyalty
- Courtesy & Respect – excellent sportsmanship skills, positive role model
- Punctuality
- Motivation –strives for new goals and exceeds expectations
- The skater demonstrates skating talent and achievement by:
 - Participating in Skate Canada Test Stream & Competitive Stream (2nd Year Bronze)
 - Registering for a minimum of one skating competition or Out of Club Development Day or Seminar during the season
 - Demonstrating technical development as per the LTADM “Learn to Train” stage (motor skills, technical, artistic)
- The skater participates as a Program Assistant, if eligible and volunteers time to support club activities (e.g. Skate Ontario Event, Test Days, etc.)

Nomination Process

- Each coach may nominate two (2) skaters for the award. Final selection will be made at the February board meeting prior to carnival.
- The coaches will complete a nomination form for each nominee and submit to the President of the Huntsville Skating Club by **February 8 2026.**

The President will then bring forward the names of the nominees/selection rationale to the February board meeting. After which a vote will be held by the board of directors and the candidate with the highest number of votes qualifies for the award. If the Board members are unable to choose a nominee based on the coach nominations, those board members must present written rationale to the President. The President will then notify the coaches by email, with the rationale and ask each coach to nominate another skater.

Coaches are encouraged to consider/review all Bronze Skaters in the nomination process, however the previous season’s award winner is ineligible

SILVER SKATER OF THE YEAR

Award Eligibility and Selection Criteria

At the end of the skating season one (1) skater in the Silver level who has shown excellence within the Huntsville Skating Club will be selected as the “Silver Skater of the Year”. The skater will receive a “Skater of the Year” trophy and their name will be added to the “Skater of the Year” plaque in the Don Lough display case.

Eligibility

- Skater must be in “Good Standing” with the Huntsville Skating club.
- The skater must be registered with Skate Canada with the Huntsville Skating Club as their HOME club.
- Must meet all selection criteria as listed below.

Selection Criteria

Skater must demonstrate characteristics of

- Dedication & Loyalty
- Courtesy & Respect – excellent sportsmanship skills, positive role model
- Punctuality
- Motivation –strives for new goals and exceeds expectations
- The skater demonstrates skating talent and achievement by:
 - Participating in Skate Canada Test Stream & Competitive Stream
 - Registering for a minimum of one skating competition or Out of Club Development Day or Seminar during the season
 - Demonstrating technical development as per the LTADM “Learn to Train” stage (motor skills, technical, artistic)
- The skater participates as a Program Assistant and volunteers time to support club activities (e.g. Skate Ontario Event, Test Days, etc.)

Nomination Process

- Each coach may nominate two (2) skaters for the award. Final selection will be made at the February board meeting prior to carnival.
- The coaches will complete a nomination form for each nominee and submit to the President of the Huntsville Skating Club by **February 8 2026**.

The President will then bring forward the names of the nominees/selection rationale to the February board meeting. After which a vote will be held by the board of directors and the candidate with the highest number of votes qualifies for the award. If the Board members are unable to choose a nominee based on the coach’s nominations, those board members must present written rationale to the President. The President will then notify the coaches by email, with the rationale and ask each coach to nominate another skater.

Coaches are encouraged to consider/review all Silver Skaters in the nomination process, however the previous season’s award winner is ineligible

GOLD SKATER OF THE YEAR

Award Eligibility and Selection Criteria

At the end of the skating season one (1) skater in the Gold level who has shown excellence within the Huntsville Skating Club will be selected as the “Gold Skater of the Year”. The skater will receive a “Skater of the Year” trophy and their name will be added to the “Skater of the Year” plaque in the Don Lough display case.

Eligibility

- Skater must be in “Good Standing” with the Huntsville Skating club.
- The skater must be registered with Skate Canada with the Huntsville Skating Club as their HOME club.
- Must meet all selection criteria as listed below.

Selection Criteria

Skater must demonstrate characteristics of

- Dedication & Loyalty
- Courtesy & Respect – excellent sportsmanship skills, positive role model
- Punctuality
- Motivation –strives for new goals and exceeds expectations
- The skater demonstrates skating talent and achievement by:
 - Participating in Skate Canada Test Stream & Competitive Stream
 - Registering for a minimum of one skating competition or Out of Club Development Day or Seminar during the season
 - Demonstrating technical development as per the LTADM “Learn to Train” and/or “Learn to Compete” stages (motor skills, technical, artistic)
- The skater participates as a Program Assistant and volunteers time to support club activities (e.g. Skate Ontario Event, Test Days, etc.)

Nomination Process

- Each coach may nominate two (2) skaters for the award. Final selection will be made at the February board meeting prior to carnival.
- The coaches will complete a nomination form for each nominee and submit to the President of the Huntsville Skating Club by **February 8 2026.**

The President will then bring forward the names of the nominees/selection rationale to the February board meeting. After which a vote will be held by the board of directors and the candidate with the highest number of votes qualifies for the award. If the Board members are unable to choose a nominee based on the coach’s nominations, those board members must present written rationale to the President. The President will then notify the coaches by email, with the rationale and ask each coach to nominate another skater.

Coaches are encouraged to consider/review all Gold Skaters in the nomination process; however, the previous season’s award winner is ineligible

PROGRAM ASSISTANT OF THE YEAR

Award Eligibility and Selection Criteria

At the end of the skating season one (1) Program Assistant who has shown excellence within the Huntsville Skating Club will be selected as the “Program Assistant of the Year”. The skater will receive a “Program Assistant of the Year” keepsake plaque and their name will be added to the “Program Assistant of the Year” plaque in the Don Lough display case.

Eligibility

- Skater must be in “Good Standing” with the Huntsville Figure Skating club.
- The skater must be registered with Skate Canada with the Huntsville Skating Club as their HOME club.
- Must meet all selection criteria as listed below.
- Must participate as a two session CanSkate Program Assistant

Selection Criteria

Skater must demonstrate characteristics of

- **Dedication & Loyalty** –makes commitment to CanSkate as program assistant for skating season
- **Courtesy & Respect**-to coaches, parents, children and peers
- **Punctuality**-be ready/prompt to greet skaters coming onto the ice
- **Motivation**-engaging with children at all times
- **Leadership and be a positive role model**-to guide and show the way

Nomination Process

- Each coach may nominate two (2) skaters for the award. Final selection will be made at the February board meeting prior to carnival.
- The coaches will complete a nomination form for each nominee and submit to the President of the Huntsville Skating Club by **February 8 2026.**

The President will then bring forward the names of the nominees/selection rationale to the February board meeting. After which a vote will be held by the board of directors and the candidate with the highest number of votes qualifies for the award. If the Board members are unable to choose a nominee based on the coach nominations, those board members must present written rationale to the President. The President will then notify the coaches by email, with the rationale and ask each coach to nominate another skater.

Coaches are encouraged to consider/review all Program Assistants in the nomination process

ICE SHOW SOLOS FOR QUALIFYING EVENTS

(includes Skate Ontario Provincial Championships, Skate Ontario Junior/Senior Sectional Championships & Skate Ontario Pre-Novice/Novice Championships)

Award Eligibility and Selection Criteria

Eligibility

- The skater must be in “Good Standing” with the Huntsville Skating Club.
- The skater must be registered with Skate Canada with the Huntsville Skating Club as their HOME club.
- Must meet all selection criteria as listed below.

Selection Criteria

- The skater qualified to compete at the Skate Ontario Provincial Championships, Skate Ontario Junior/Senior Sectional Championships or Skate Ontario PreNovice/Novice Sectional Championships.

Nomination Process

- Skaters to maximum of three (3) from each category (as determined by their ranking at the event) will be invited to perform a solo at our Ice Show.

ADDITIONAL ICE SHOW SOLOS

Eligibility

- The skater must be in “Good Standing” with the Huntsville Skating Club.
- The skater must be registered with Skate Canada with the Huntsville Skating Club as their HOME club.
- Must meet all selection criteria as listed below.

Selection Criteria

- Skaters graduating Secondary school will be invited to perform a solo at our Ice Show or take a lead role at our Ice Show. The graduating student will also have a small picture and biography in the Ice Show program, if applicable.
- One (1) skater, selected by the Board of Directors, will be acknowledged with the “Recognition of Excellence in Skating” and invited to perform a solo at our Ice Show. The criteria for this award, in order, is as follows:
 - Is registered as a competitive level skater with Skate Canada or
 - Completed the Gold FreeSkate test – both Elements and Program or
 - Completed the Star 10 FreeSkate test – both Element and Program or
 - Completed the Gold Artistic or Gold Skills or Gold Dances tests or
 - Completed the Star 8 FreeSkate test – both Elements and Program.
- The recipient of this award will receive a monetary award of \$350.00 to assist with competition costs.

The President will notify the recipient following the February Board meeting.

Additional Notes:

- No additional feature or solo shall be given to a skater unless unanimously agreed upon between all coaches and it must be submitted to the club for approval no later than the award nominations process.
- A skater is only permitted to participate in the Ice Show number for which they skate in.

CLUB AWARDS

(CanSkate Spirit Award & April Keyes Award)

Eligibility

- The skater must be in “Good Standing” with the Huntsville Skating Club.
- The skater must be registered with Skate Canada with the Huntsville Skating Club as their HOME club.
- Must meet all selection criteria as listed below.

Selection Criteria

- A skater registered in the Club’s CanSkate program will be awarded a ribbon to recognize the “CanSkate Spirit Award” by:
 - Participating in the CanSkate program
 - Demonstrating the qualities that embody the “Spirit of a Champion” – determination, discipline, perseverance and a positive attitude
- Awards will be presented to skaters registered in the Fall Canskate program and the Winter Canskate program.
- A member or coach of the Huntsville Skating Club will be awarded the “April Keyes Award” to recognize a demonstration of the true spirit of our club by:
 - Participating in a club program and/or
 - Volunteering in various aspects of the club’s operation
 - Demonstrating a true love for the sport of figure skating
 - Demonstrating a strong work ethic
 - Demonstrating leadership skills
 - Demonstrating dedication to the club and sport of figure skating
 - Acting as a positive role model
 - Demonstrating an ability to make a positive impact on the sport of figure skating
- The recipient of this award will receive an “April Keyes Award” keepsake plaque and their name will be added to the “April Keyes Award” plaque in the Don Lough display case.

Nomination Process

- Each coach may nominate two (2) skaters for the Fall and Winter CanSkate Spirit awards. Final selection will be made at the February Board meeting prior to Ice Show.
- The recipient of the April Keyes Award will be nominated by the Board of Directors.
- The coaches will complete a nomination form for each nominee and submit to the President of the Huntsville Skating Club by **February 8 2026.**

The President will then bring forward the names of the nominees/selection rationale to the February board meeting. After which a vote will be held by the board of directors and the candidate with the highest number of votes qualifies for the award. If the Board members are unable to choose a nominee based on the coach's nominations, those board members must present written rationale to the President. The President will then notify the coaches by email, with the rationale and ask each coach to nominate another skater.*Coaches are encouraged to consider/review all CanSkaters in the nomination process, however the previous season's award winner is ineligible*

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