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## **Over 450 Figure Skaters will arrive in Airdrie this week to compete at the 2019 STARSkate & Adult Championships**

**Airdrie, AB: From March 22-25, 2019** – Genesis Place will welcome over 450 figure skaters representing more than 60 clubs from across Alberta this weekend for the Skate Canada: Alberta-NWT/Nunavut Section 2019 STARSkate & Adult Championships. Competitors range from 7 to 65 years old; all competing to achieve their own personal goals as their competition season concludes. “The STARSkate and Adult Championships are the highlight of the season for many of our skaters. The season is coming to an end and they are excited to perform the routines they have worked diligently on throughout the year.” Donna Moses, Chair of the Skate Canada: Alberta-NWT/Nunavut Section states, “It will be an exciting competition and we look forward to witnessing great skating!”

Skate Canada: Alberta–NWT/Nunavut Section is thrilled to be partnering with the Airdrie Skating Club to host the 2019 Skate Canada: Alberta-NWT/Nunavut STARSkate & Adult Championships, presented by the Alberta Figure Skating Foundation. The Airdrie Skating Club will contribute hundreds of volunteer hours to make the event successful.

“Airdrie is a community that supports sport and health and we’re excited to host athletes at this year’s STARSkate & Adult Championships. We’re looking forward to providing a warm welcome to our visitors at what is sure to be a thrilling competition,” said Airdrie Deputy Mayor, Ron Chapman.



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Opening ceremonies will be at 12:00pm (noon) on Friday, March 22, at Genesis place. Nearly 40 Champions will be crowned throughout the event in Freeskate, Interpretive, Triathlon, Special Olympics and Adult categories. In addition, 7 Leading Edge Series Champions will also be awarded throughout the competition, which recognizes Section athletes for consistent performances throughout the past year. Additional information on the Skate Canada STARSkate program can be found at <https://skatecanada.ca/programs/figure-skating/>

**Background:**

Skate Canada: Alberta – NWT/Nunavut is dedicated to the principles of providing safe and inclusive programs, enabling everyone to participate in skating throughout their lifetime for fun, fitness, and achievement. Skate Canada: Alberta – NWT/Nunavut (“Section”) is a non-profit sport organization and is the Provincial governing body for the sport of figure skating in Alberta, NWT and Nunavut. The Skate Canada: Alberta-NWT/Nunavut Section is committed to excellence in the delivery of quality skating programs and services.

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**Competition Club List:** <http://skateabnwtun.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/03/19-STARSkate-Championships-Club-List-5-Mar.pdf>