

2024 Combined Winter Invitational

CALALTA
FIGURE SKATING CLUB

February 9-11, 2024

**Jimmie Condon / Rose Kohn Arenas
502 Heritage Drive SW
Calgary, AB**



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Sanction #3143

HOST CLUB & EVENT INFORMATION

Event Name 2024 Combined Winter Invitational

Event Dates February 9-11, 2024

Host Club Name Calalta Figure Skating Club

Competition Chair

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Arena Details

Name:	Jimmie Condon/Rose Kohn Arena	
Address:	502 Heritage Drive SW, Calgary AB	
Ice Surface Dimensions:	Jimmie Condon: 200' x 85'	Rose Kohn – 185' x 85'

Registration Times: Registration begins 1 hour before the 1st event of each day.

On-site Registration: Skaters must register at least one hour prior to the start of their scheduled category or practice. Skaters must report to the Ice Captain one hour prior to their scheduled category.

Accommodation Information

Hotel:	Carriage House Inn
Address:	9030 Macleod Trail South, Calgary, AB
Phone:	1-800-661-9566
Room Rate:	\$134 Double Occupancy – includes hot buffet breakfast.

Booking Link <https://bookings.travelclick.com/73865?groupID=4071435#/guestsandrooms>

GENERAL INFORMATION

The competition is being held under the current rules of the Skate Canada Rulebook. The nature of the competition is defined in the Skate Canada Rule Book > Competitions. The Association reserves the right to alter the overall procedures to be followed during any part of the competition, if such alteration is considered to be in the best interest of the skaters or the Association. The Technical Representative, Chief Referee, or Senior Referee present will be the agent of the Association in such an instance.

CATEGORIES: The following categories are to be held:

Star Freeskate:

Star 5: U10, U13, 13 & Over
Star 6
Star 8
Star 10
Gold

Star Short:

Star 7
Star 9

Star Artistic:

Star 5 Artistic
Star 7 Artistic
Star 9 Artistic
Gold Artistic

Podium Pathway Short:

Pre-Novice Men and Women
Novice Men and Women
Junior Men and Women
Senior Men and Women

Podium Pathway Freeskate:

Juvenile Men and Women: U10, U12 and U14
Pre-Novice Men and Women
Novice Men and Women
Junior Men and Women
Senior Men and Women

All categories follow the Skate Canada Program Requirements as posted on the Skate Canada Info Center.

Competitive: [2023-2024 Competition Program Requirements](#)

Star: [2023-2024 STAR Competition Program Requirements](#)

REGISTRATION FEES & ENTRY ELIGIBILITY

Categories Offered	Entry Fee
Star 5 – Gold Freeskate	\$140 per skater
Star 7, 9 Short	\$140 per skater
Juvenile U10, U12, U14	\$140 per skater
Star Artistic	\$140 per skater
Pre-Novice – Senior Short	\$140 per skater
Pre-Novice – Senior Freeskate	\$140 per skater

Skaters entering multiple categories do so with the understanding that there may be conflicts that cannot be resolved.

ENTRIES: Entrants in Events shall be:

- a) Be Skate Canada Registrants in good standing.
- b) Be eligible as per the Sectionals/StarSkate Crossover Chart. Chart is available on the AB I NT I NU website under Technical Information. Skaters that have registered for Sectionals must review the eligibility chart prior to potentially registering for any Star competitions, as there are restrictions.
- c) **PROOF OF AGE:** For all categories, age shall be the age of the skater before **July 1, 2023**. You do not have to submit your proof of age document when registering. However, if you cannot produce proof of age if requested, the skater may be withdrawn from the event. It is your responsibility to ensure the skater is entered in the correct category according to Skate Canada's age and assessment requirements.

NEW Star Series Restriction of Entries:

- a) Skaters may enter a maximum of two (2) competitions choosing from the Star Series #1-4 competitions and Combined Winter Invitational. The Spring Combined Invitational (Sunsational) and Summer Combined Invitational (Wild Rose) are not included in the restricted number of competitions requirement.

RESTRICTION OF ENTRIES: Total entries will be capped at 550, with any additional entries being placed on a waitlist. If registration reaches capacity, skaters will be able to add their names to the waitlist. If a spot becomes available, skaters will have 24 hours to register.

SKATING UP: Skating up one level is permitted; however, skaters are permitted to enter only one level per category (i.e.: one freeski event).

NEW for 2023-2024 Season - skaters can move up a category, but not down. Skaters would declare their category at the first competition being Star Series 1 and the last event being StarSkate & Adult Championships.

Note: This does not apply to Alberta Winter Games categories (run-offs & Games), Star 7 & 9 categories, or Arctic Winter Games run-off categories.

Clarifications for Eligibility to StarSkate Championships

Clarification #1

If a skater enters a podium pathway category at CWI, then the skater forfeits their eligibility for the StarSkate Championships. For example: if a skater enters Star 6 at Star Series 1 and then enters Juvenile at CWI, the skater would no longer be eligible for StarSkate Championships, even if they have qualified for the Championships in Star 6.

Clarification #2

Skaters qualifying for the StarSkate Championships in a lower category but not a higher category, will be allowed to enter the Championships at the lower category they qualified for. If a skater qualifies in more than one category, then the skater must compete at the higher category in which they qualified for.

Examples to Clarification #2

If a skater qualifies for the StarSkate Championships at Star Series #1 in Star 8 and then registers in Star 10 at CWI, however fails to qualify for the Championships in that category, can they still compete in Championship?

Clarification: Skater would skate at the StarSkate Championships in Star 8 as that is the highest category that they qualified in.

Question 2:

If a skater qualifies for the StarSkate Championships at Star Series #1 in Star 8 and then registers in Star 10 at CWI and qualifies in that category as well, can they decide which category they would like to skate in at the StarSkate Championships?

Clarification: The skater must compete in Star 10 at the Championships as that is the highest category that they qualified in.

ASSESSMENTS

ASSESSMENTS AT COMPETITIONS: Skaters wishing to apply to take a freeskate assessment at a competition must fill out the application form available on the Skate AB/NT/NU website on the event page. Applications for assessments must be received by the closing date of entries. Refer to the Skate AB/NT/NU Technical Package to see which assessments are eligible. Assessments will only be accepted if an evaluator is available. Assessment fees will be paid at the registration desk at the event. Assessment method of payment: exact cash or cheque will be accepted. Assessment fees: Star 6 – 10 Freeskate Assessment fee: \$35, Gold Freeskate Assessment fee: \$35, Gold Freeskate Challenge Assessment fee: \$167

REGISTRATION DEADLINES DATES

CLOSING DATE OF ENTRIES: December 15, 2023, 12:00 pm (noon) MT

It is the responsibility of the competitor to ensure that their entry is submitted through the online registration system by the closing date. All assessment requirements must be passed by the closing date of entries.

LATE ENTRIES: December 19, 2023, at 12:00 pm (noon) MT

Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Technical Representative and if space permits in the event. Entries received after the deadline date will be charged a late entry fee of \$100 per entry or 50% of the entry fee, per entry (whichever is greater). No entries will be accepted after the late entry registration deadline.

REFUND OF ENTRY FEES: Entry fees shall be refunded only if the event is not held or if the entry is withdrawn before the date of close of entries. There will be a **\$10.00** administration fee applied to all withdrawal refunds. After the closing date of entries there will be no refunds given for any reason, including medical pulls. No exceptions.

HOW TO REGISTER

- All registrations must be completed using the Uplifter online registration form.
- Refer to the [How to Register](#) link on the Skate AB/NT/NU registration site for detailed instructions.
- **IMPORTANT: Review your skater's profile in Uplifter and Skate Canada National Members Only prior to registering for each event to ensure the skaters information is correct, especially the spelling of their names. It is mandatory to enter the skaters Skate Canada number when registering for a competition through Uplifter.**
- All payments must be paid online using a credit card at the time of registration.
- Planned programs must be submitted through Uplifter. See "How to Submit a Planned Program" link on the registration page for assistance in completing your planned program content sheet.

REGISTER HERE: <https://skateabnwtun.uplifterinc.com/>

REGISTRATION CHANGE DEADLINE: December 22, 2023, 12:00 pm (noon) MT

Confirm which event to register in with your coach before submitting your registration. No changes will be made after December 22. After the registration deadline date, changes to entries will only be made by the Technical Representative. Registration changes must be submitted by using the online form available on the event page of the website.

NEW for 2023-2024 Season - REGISTRATION CHANGE FEE:

For any changes that are required to be made to a skater's registration, there will be a \$25 Registration Change Fee applied to all registration changes.

PLANNED PROGRAMS – HOW TO SUBMIT & DEADLINE

Deadline to submit planned programs: **January 31, 2024, at 12:00pm (noon) MT.**

SUBMIT PLANNED PROGRAMS HERE: <https://skateabnwtun.uplifterinc.com/>

Fee Increase for 2023-2024 Season for not submitting planned program: There will be a \$25 fee per entry for failing to submit Planned Program(s) by January 31, 2024, at 12:00pm (noon) MT. Planned Program Sheets will NOT be accepted on site.

How to submit planned programs:

- Planned programs must be submitted once per season.
- The first event of the 2023-2024 season is the 2023 Wild Rose Invitational. If the skater did not compete at Wild Rose, or any subsequent event, then the planned program must be submitted for this event.
- Skaters may edit or re-submit their planned program in Uplifter if changes are made throughout the 2023-2024 season.
- Planned program sheets will NOT be transferred between categories. Ensure you have submitted a planned program for each category you have entered (ie: Juvenile and STAR 6 require different planned program submissions).

Planned Program are required for:

- Star Short Programs and Star 5 & higher Freeskates
- Star Artistics
- Juvenile Freeskate
- Pre-Novice – Senior Short and Free programs

MUSIC REGISTRATION

Deadline to submit changes for your music after submission: **January 31, 2024**

- Online music registration will require each skater or team to submit an mp3 file of their program music and the music time online at the time of their registration.
- Music files will not be kept so skaters and teams will be required to submit their music for each individual competition.
- **NEW – USB memory sticks now accepted as music back-up.** Each skater or team will be required to carry a copy of their music on CD or USB memory stick and have it available at rink side as backup. A memory stick may contain all programs the skater is competing in for the competition, however, the programs on the memory stick must be properly labelled to ensure the correct music is played. For example: Jane Doe, Novice Short Program
- For the CD backup, one music file is permitted on each CD.
- **NEW** USB's must be provided in a Ziploc bag and labelled with the skater's name and category.

If there have been changes to the music after submission during the online registration, the updated music file must be uploaded by January 31, 2024. New music can be uploaded through your Uplifter account.

Information regarding the requirements and standards for music are listed in the Skate AB/NT/NU Technical Package as posted on the Skate AB | NT | NU website. Competitors are responsible for the recovery of their own music at the completion of the event.

COMPETITION CONTACTS

For inquiries relating to competition registration including:

- Access to the Uplifter form
- Confirmation of registration and payment
- Corrections to registration submissions

Central Registration: skateabreg@gmail.com

For inquiries relating to competition information including:

- Technical information
- Competition schedule

Technical Representative – Cathy Thoms – cathythoms11@gmail.com

Tara Alldred-Gundesen - taraag60@gmail.com

For inquiries relating to venue logistics:

Competition Chair – Diana Peters – dianapeters@me.com

Shelly Graham - sgraham4@telus.net

Withdraw Form: withdraws before and after the registration deadline date are to be submitted using the online form on the event page of the Skate ABI NT I NU website.

EVENT RULES AND INFORMATION

1. PRACTICE ICE: No practice ice will be offered.

2. SCHEDULE OF PRACTICE TIMES AND EVENT SCHEDULE: A schedule will be posted on the Skate AB/NT/NU website.

3. START ORDERS/RESULTS/REPORT CARDS: The start order/results and skater report cards will be posted on the Skate AB/NT/NU website. Results and skater report cards will NOT be provided on-site at the event.

4. COACH ACCREDITATION: All coaches must be minimally NCCP Regional Coach In Training and carry proof of current membership within the Association and a valid First Aid certificate. Coaches will be required to register at the registration desk. Coaches must wear their event specific accreditation tag to access change rooms and event arena(s). If your name does not appear on the coaches list for the event, coaches must be prepared to show proof of in good standing status prior to receiving accreditation.

All coaches attending a competition in the Skate AB I NT I NU Section will be required to purchase an accreditation tag holder and lanyard. This accreditation tag will be valid for the duration of the 2023-2024 season. The tag holder can be purchased on the Section website and must be purchased prior to attending a competition. A maximum of (2) two coaches will be allowed at ice level as determined by the skater/team.

5. CANCELLATION OF CATEGORIES: The host club reserves the right to cancel categories in coordination with the Tech Rep.

6. EVENT SPECIFICATIONS: Each category offered at the competition will be held for men and women separately. Categories may be combined as follows:

- (a) Combine two or more categories in the same event when each category has fewer than three entries.

- (b) Combine two or more categories in the same event when one category has insufficient entries to hold the event;

The decision to combine categories is at the discretion of the Technical Representative with the input of the Host Committee. Categories may be combined, due to low entries for either age categories (i.e.: U10, U13, 13O) or combined men/women events.

7. FLIGHT SYSTEM: If the number of competitors in a category warrants it, a flight system will be used.

8. DRAW: As per Skate Canada Competitions rule 3.2, the random draw will be used for subsequent starting order draws (where applicable).

9. MARKING SYSTEM: All events will be judged using the CPC marking system.

10. WARM UP TIMES: Skate Canada has standardized warm up times for all events. Refer to the Skate AB/NT/NU Technical Package as posted on the website: www.skateabnwtun.ca for all warmup times.

11. MEDAL PRESENTATIONS: Medals will be presented at the competition. It is the responsibility of any skater receiving a medal to wear their skates and skating attire for the medal presentation. Medals are awarded to gold, silver, and bronze. Medals are also awarded to categories with only one entry.

12. PROTEST POLICY: Skate Canada Protest Policy for competitions using CPC will be followed. In addition, if there is an event using manual calculation where the results are not posted within one hour of the completion of the last event of the day, the protest must be made to the Event Referee within the first hour of the following day's competition. If the Event Referee is unavailable, the protest may be made to the Technical Representative or Chief Referee. **Protests are to be submitted through the online form on the Skate AB I NT I NU website.**

13. SPECTATORS/PARENTS: Spectators are permitted. In the event of any restrictions being implemented by the facility, those would be adhered to.

14. ACCIDENTS: The Association and Committee of the Host Club undertake no responsibility for damages or injuries suffered by the skater. As a condition of and in consideration of their entries in this event, all competitors and their parents or guardians shall be deemed to agree to assume all risks or injuries to the competitor's person and property resulting from, or caused by, or connected with the conduct and management of the competitions. An agreement must also be deemed to release any and all claims they may have against the officials, the Association, the Host Club, and their officers. Entries shall be accepted only in accordance with these conditions.

15. PICTURES & VIDEOS: Persons wishing to take photographs of on ice performances are reminded that use of flash cameras is not permitted. The use of video cameras must be restricted to areas that do not hamper the skaters or officials. **NOTE:** You may only take pictures or videos of your own skater.

16. LIVE STREAMING/PHOTOGRAPHY

The event may be photographed and/or live streamed. By virtue of your registration for the competition, you are consenting to being included in the live streaming/photography of this event that will help to train others and to promote skating in Canada. You release Skate AB I NT I NU, its officers, and employees, and each and all persons involved from any liability connected with the video & audio recordings. By attending and competing at the competition, you waive any right to inspect or approve any video or audio recordings taken by Skate AB I NT I NU. All video recordings will be archived and posted to the Skate AB I NT I NU Daily Motion website. If you do not wish to have your skate photographed or live streamed, inform the Competition Chair of the event. We cannot guarantee that you will not be photographed or live streamed, but we will do our best to accommodate the request.

17. LEADING EDGE SERIES: The Leading Edge Series for the 2023-2024 season has been suspended to allow Skate AB/NT/NU to continue to review the changes made to the competition structure.