



# Orange County Figure Skating Club

## Summer Festival

The Orange County FSC is pleased to announce a festival where skaters can perform their program(s) and if desired receive a critique from current USFS judges and technical specialists.

This unique non-competitive event is your opportunity to polish and hone your program(s) to their maximum potential. Here you can showcase your program for your friends, parents or others without the competitive pressure or the ice filled with other skaters. To help you we have invited several USFS technical specialists and judges to provide critiques at your request. They can evaluate your skating and program technical content and provide you with feedback and suggestions to improve your program and performance.

### Event Date

*Saturday, May 23rd, 2009*

10 am to 4 pm

### Event Location

*Aliso Viejo Ice Palace*

*9 Journey; Aliso Viejo, Ca. 92656  
(949)643-9648*

Don't miss your opportunity to participate in this unique event! Entry forms are available at both the Yorba Linda and Aliso Viejo rinks and also on the OCFSC website. As an added bonus, there will be several informational sessions for participants and their parents. Speakers include:

***Mr. John Nicks, World & Olympic Coach, World Champion & Olympic Competitor***

***Ms. Barbara Brown, Coach, World & Olympic Competitor***

***Mr. Scott Wendland, Coach, Technical Specialist,  
World & Olympic Competitor***

Topics will include:

**What it takes to be a World Class competitor**  
**What the Technical Specialist is looking for**  
**Understanding IJS (International Judging System)**

**Facilities**

The ice surface at this location is 185 feet long and 85 feet wide with slightly rounded corners and is completely indoors.

**Event Details**

We have scheduled a limited number of ice hours on Saturday May 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Aliso Viejo Ice Palace and slots are available on a first come first served basis. Your priority position will be determined by postmark and event slot(s) will be scheduled after all entries are received and judging commitments are confirmed (this is to make sure we have appropriate judges to critique your performance if requested). If you schedule an additional skating slot we will provide a minimum 30 minute rest period between events. The fee for a slot is dependent upon the level that is being performed and is independent of your current USFS testing level. For example, if you are currently tested through Pre-Juvenile but wish to run a new Juvenile program, in anticipation of testing to that level, you will need to pay the Juvenile rate (\$55). There are no restrictions on events (singles, pairs and dance) but we do need to know what you are planning so that appropriate USFS judges and technical specialists are available.

**Warm-up**

Each warm-up group will consist of a maximum of six skaters and will receive a 5 minute warm-up prior to the start of their section. Skaters are likely to be intermixed with other participants of varying levels during the warm-up.

**Critiques**

Critiques will begin immediately after the skater's performance and will be open to the skater, the skater's coach, choreographer and parents if desired. You must indicate this information on your entry. All USFS skaters must have a club official testify to their good standing with USFS and their home club. Both partners must enter and pay fees for events with partners.

**Music**

All competitors except dancers must provide their own music on CD only. The CD must be clearly marked with the skaters name and event. Only one program may be on each CD, skaters entering short & long programs must submit a music CD for each

program. No CD-RW CD's will be accepted. Music must be turned in one hour prior to the skater's warm-up time.

### **Liability**

All adult entrants 18 years of age or older, are required to sign the Authorization on page 2 of the entry form. All parents or legal guardians of minor entrants under 18 years of age are required to sign the Authorization on page 2 of the entry form.

### **Duration**

The duration of each skating program will be in accordance with the current USFS rulebook.

### **Practice Ice**

There will be no practice ice provided specifically for this event however the Aliso Viejo Ice Palace will offer freestyle sessions in the morning, prior to this event. Aliso Viejo Ice Palace (949) 643-9648.

### **Event Fees**

<u>LEVEL</u>	<u>FEE per slot</u>
Up to but not including Pre-Preliminary	\$35
From Pre-Preliminary to Pre-Juvenile	\$45
From Juvenile to Senior	\$55
<u>P</u> airs and Dance Couples events (all levels)	\$35 per skater
Adult programs (all levels except dance)	\$55
Solo Dance (including adult dance)	\$35
If you are requesting a critique	Add \$20

All entries are considered final upon the close of entries. Any accommodations after that date are subject to approval by the OCFSC Board of Directors. In the event that all slots are filled we may limit the number of slots a skater may take. In addition, once all slots are filled we will maintain a waiting list of individuals based upon the date of receipt. All monies received will be deposited when received. Pursuant to US Figure Skating Rule 3235, entry fees will be refunded only if the event is not held or there is a death in the competitor's immediate family. NO REFUNDS WILL BE ISSUED WITHIN SEVEN (7) DAYS PRIOR TO THE START OF THE COMPETITION FOR ANY REASON.

Returns, will be made if the number of skaters exceeds the available slots, in this case the returns will be made after the close of the event.

All skaters will be announced with a declaration of the level and type of program to be performed.

# **ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN MAY 5<sup>th</sup>.**

All completed forms and checks (payable to OCFSC) must be mailed to Carol McGuire and received no later than Tuesday, May 5. All event entries and event entry questions should be addressed to Carol.

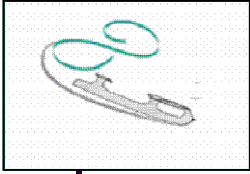
## **Mail entries to:**

Carol McGuire  
3 Rockwood  
Irvine, Ca. 92614  
(949) 786-6528  
e-mail [csmcguiretcvp@cox.net](mailto:csmcguiretcvp@cox.net)

All questions (other than event entry questions) should be directed Patricia McNamara.

## **Event Chair**

Patricia McNamara  
(949) 589-3297  
(310) 990-8011  
e-mail [pmcnamara8@cox.net](mailto:pmcnamara8@cox.net)



## Summer Festival FAQs

### **Do I have to be a USFS member to participate?**

ISI and USFS members are welcome to participate.

### **Do I have to join the Orange County Figure skating club to participate?**

No, current members in good standing of USFS and ISI members may participate.

### **Do I have to become an OCFSC second club member to participate? No.**

**What other activities will be part of the Summer Festival?** We will be holding several information sessions. Parents of participants may also join in these sessions. Ever want to ask Mr. John Nicks what he thinks it takes to be a world class skater?

Here's your opportunity, Mr. Nicks will be presenting at 10 am.

### **May I join the information sessions if I am not participating in the event?**

No, this exclusive opportunity is open only to those participating in the skating event.

**What other information sessions will be held?** Details are being finalized but we are planning to also offer sessions on *Understanding IJS*, and *What the Technical Specialist is looking for*.

**Will I get a medal or trophy?** No, this is not a competition and there will be no trophy's but it's a great opportunity to try out your program without the pressure of competition.

### **Critique FAQs**

**What is a critique?** An event where the skater is evaluated by Judges and or technical specialists (if appropriate) and is then provided feedback concerning the performance.

**Why do I need / want a critique?** This provides you and your coach with the perfect opportunity to discuss the merits of your program and where your performance can improve. It is an independent review of your program elements and how well you perform them.

**What if I want a critique?** On the entry form there is a box asking if you want a critique. Please mark this box if you desire a critique, note that there is an additional fee for the critique.

**Who is a critique good for?** All levels of skaters benefit from getting the judges feedback on their programs., especially if they are moving to a new level this year. Skaters who are transitioning to USFS levels especially benefit from getting this feedback in a non-competitive environment so they are prepared for the transition.

**Will I be able to talk to the Judges?** Yes. You and your coach will be able to receive the critique and ask questions concerning your program elements.

**Can I film the event / critique?** Certainly, you can have your skating filmed, it is up to the person performing the critique whether you will be allowed to record the discussion.

**How long will the critique last?** It is not possible to say. It will certainly vary based on the level and the content of your program. We will attempt to schedule events in a fashion to maximize the amount of feedback received. Time permitting, you **may** get the opportunity to re-skate an element after your feedback so that you can try to implement the feedback.

**How will my ISI program be critiqued?** According to the current USFS rulebook, ISI skaters must enter a USFS level program (pre-preliminary, preliminary, pre-juvenile, etc)

### **Who will critique my program?**

USFS level thru Pre-Juvenile will be critiqued by USFS judges.  
Levels Juvenile and above will be critiqued by a USFS judge and a technical specialist.



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Skater's USFS # \_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_

**First Event ( check program level and event type below)**

<input type="checkbox"/> No Test Level	\$35	Check Event Type
<input type="checkbox"/> Pairs	\$35 per skater	<input type="checkbox"/> Long Program
<input type="checkbox"/> Dance Couple	\$35 per skater	<input type="checkbox"/> Short Program
<input type="checkbox"/> Solo Dance	\$35	<b>Do you want a critique?</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Preliminary	\$45	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes (add \$20)</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> Preliminary	\$45	Specify dance: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Juvenile	\$45	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile	\$55	If Pairs or Dance; please specify partners
<input type="checkbox"/> Intermediate	\$55	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Novice	\$55	_____
name		
<input type="checkbox"/> Junior	\$55	
<input type="checkbox"/> Senior	\$55	

**Second Event ( check program level and event type below)**

<input type="checkbox"/> No Test Level	\$35	Check Event Type
<input type="checkbox"/> Pairs	\$35 per skater	<input type="checkbox"/> Long Program
<input type="checkbox"/> Dance Couple	\$35 per skater	<input type="checkbox"/> Short Program
<input type="checkbox"/> Solo Dance	\$35	<b>Do you want a critique?</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Preliminary	\$45	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes (add \$20)</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> Preliminary	\$45	Specify dance: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Juvenile	\$45	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile	\$55	If Pairs or Dance; please specify partners
<input type="checkbox"/> Intermediate	\$55	_____
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**Fee Calculation**

1 <sup>st</sup> Event \$ _____ + Critique Fee (if requested) \$ _____	Total fees 1 <sup>st</sup> Event \$ _____
2 <sup>nd</sup> Event \$ _____ + Critique Fee (if requested) \$ _____	Total fees 2 <sup>nd</sup> Event \$ _____
<b>Total Fees (due and payable to OCFSC)</b>	<b>Total Fees \$ _____</b>



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Skater's USFS # \_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_

Coach's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Coach's USFS # \_\_\_\_\_ Coach's PSA # \_\_\_\_\_

Choreographer's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Choreographer's USFS # \_\_\_\_\_ Choreographer's PSA # \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Names \_\_\_\_\_ (if attending critique)

### Authorization

I have read and agree to abide by the rules of this event. I am aware that skating is at the skater/competitor's risk and agree to hold harmless US Figure Skating, the Orange County Figure Skating Club and the Aliso Viejo Ice Palace, their directors, officers, agents and employees from any and all loss, damage and/or injury of whatsoever kind or nature, that may be sustained by the entrant or chaperone in any manner while participating in any activity of said event.

Skater Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

(signature of parent if skater is under 18)

### I certify that the skater is a member in good standing:

Home Club name : \_\_\_\_\_

Club official signature: \_\_\_\_\_ title: \_\_\_\_\_

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Entries must be received by May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2009.