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OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE 2025

The Georgina Skating Club



Lights, Camera, Action!

SATURDAY, APRIL 26, 2025

Ticket Admission Prices

The Georgina Skating Club's Ice Show is general admission only with no reserved seating.

Dress Rehearsal: Friday, April 25th Adults: \$10 Students/Seniors: \$5 Children under 3 years: Free (when seated on adult's lap)

Saturday April 26th Shows at 1pm and 7pm: Adults: \$15 Students/Seniors: \$10 Children under 3 years: Free (when seated on adult's lap)

Important Dates

Order Forms Due:

~T-shirts: March 31st ~Programs: April 13th

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Two Shows on April 26th: 1:00pm and 7:00pm

Welcome to the Show!

The Georgina Skating Club is proud to present our Ice Show on Saturday, April 26, 2025. To participate in this event, skaters must be enrolled with us for the winter session.

At the end of every other skating season, the Georgina Skating Club presents a fantastic showcase for family and friends. There are costumes, props, professional lighting and effects - not to mention awesome skating - which makes for an exciting performance. Our Ice Show is an event all our skaters look forward to and it's also the perfect way to cap-off a successful skating season.

It takes many volunteers to make the Georgina Skating Club the great success it is and our show would not be possible without the contributions of our volunteers. Be sure to have a look at our volunteer section and sign up to help us out.

This newsletter provides an overview of all aspects of the show so you aware of what to expect in the weeks ahead.

If you require further information after reading this newsletter, please speak with our Ice Show Chairperson by email at gsciceshowcoordinator@gmail.com

Read on for more details and thank you for your support of our skaters during our show and all season long!

Show Details and Tickets

The Georgina Skating Club's Ice Show tickets are general admission only. There will be no reserved seating.

Ticket will be sold at the door for the dress rehearsal and both shows on Saturday. All ticket sales are CASH ONLY.

Dress Rehearsal: Friday April 25th 6pm

Adults: \$10

Students/Seniors: \$5

Children under 3 years: Free (when seated on adult's lap)

Saturday April 26th Shows at 1pm and 7pm:

Adults: \$15

Students/Seniors: \$10

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For hygienic reasons, those skaters wishing to wear make-up for the show are asked to ensure they have their own personal make-up in a bag or container clearly marked with their name on it.

Costumes

Fittings have begun for costumes! When you try on your costume, please keep in mind that what you see may not be the whole costume. In many cases, it will still need to be altered or accessorized. All necessary repairs or alterations will be made before the performance.

If your skater is required to provide anything in addition to your costume, it will be listed on the Skater Information Page handed out at the arena.

HELMETS It is a Skate Canada rule that until a skater has passed CanSkate Stage 5, they must wear a helmet at all times on the ice - this includes the Ice Show. Your skater's safety is a priority and our costumes will be made to accommodate helmets.

PLEASE DO NOT eat while wearing costumes unless you cover your costume with a coat or sweater. Snacks and drinks are available for skaters in the dressing rooms.

Costumes and accessories are the property of the Georgina Skating Club and must ALWAYS remain with the club, at the arena. Please ensure they remain in the dressing rooms when not in use for picture days, rehearsals or the shows.

Our costumes are made by volunteers, dedicating many hours to preparing these costumes. Since our goal is to ensure a wonderful Ice Show experience for all, we ask that everyone and everything be treated with respect.



Picture Day

Picture day will be held for all participants on April 10th. All Ice Show skaters are asked to participate. Each group will be assigned a specific time for an individual and group photograph to be taken. Please check the Picture Day Schedule for your skater's group time slot.

Full costumes will be worn on these picture days. Individual and group photos will be taken and will be available for purchase on Friday, April 25th (dress rehearsal) and on Saturday, April 26th before and during the two shows.

Please ensure your skater brings their skates, skate guards (they will be walking on non-rubberized flooring) and any extra costume items you are asked to provide. Skaters will not need their helmets for photos.

If your skater is to provide their own tights or any other item (e.g. black pants) for the show, please note they will be needed for rehearsals and picture days too. Since we will only have a very limited number of tights available for purchase during the rehearsals, it is recommended that skaters purchase their own in advance.

Costumes will remain at the arena and we ask that you **arrive** at least 30 minutes prior to your group's scheduled photo time to allow enough time to dress in costumes.

Please note: Parents are not allowed in the photo area as there is not enough room.

Dressing Rooms

Skaters are assigned a dressing room for picture day, production rehearsal, dress rehearsal and the shows. Please check for your skater's dressing room assignment when arriving for each important date as dressing room assignments are subject to change.



Practices
Who attends: All Skaters

Practices for StarSkate groups will begin on March 31st. Practices for Intro, CanSkate and Groups will begin on April 7th.

During our Ice Show practices, skaters will learn choreography to accompany their group's song. In an effort to ensure the best possible use of available ice and coaching, a few groups of skaters may be on the ice at the same time. Each group will be assigned a coach. Skaters are grouped according to a combination of age and badge or skill level so your skater may find themselves making new friends with skaters who skate on other days.

All GSC ice time will be devoted to ice show practice only. This means only those registered in the show will skate. It is your responsibility to know when your skater's practice time is so please check the schedule your skater received with their information package.

Please note your skater's practice time may occur on a different day and time than usual. All efforts are made

to ensure there are equal practices for all groups. Unfortunately, due to limited ice availability, we are unable to offer practice time outside the times indicated in the schedule. Please make every effort to ensure your skater attends all practices for their group. Missing practices may mean being unable to learn the routine in time for the show. Skaters will run through each half of the show on the ice at least two times during the production rehearsals: the first time with skaters in their costumes and the second time without costumes. If there is a need for an additional run-through, skaters will be informed at that time.

Please note our Intro groups (Lion King and Minions) are not required to attend on the Production Rehearsal nights.

Finale Practices

Who attends: StarSkaters ONLY.

As part of Production Rehearsals, skaters will be organized into "Finale" Rehearsals for each half of the show. This is when groups skate out and take a bow in front of the audience.

Please note: Learn to Skate programs (Intro to CanSkate and CanSkate) will not take part in these Finale practices.

Instead, these groups will be organized as follows:

- Intro to CanSkate skaters will be assisted on Friday, April 25th and Saturday, April 26th.
- CanSkate and Adult skaters will have their own "run-through" during the production rehearsals listed above.



Show Rehearsals

During the last week of our ice show practices, we will begin three different types of practices/rehearsals: Production Rehearsals, Finale Practices, and a full Dress Rehearsal. Here are the details:

Production Rehearsals

Who attends: All Skaters EXCEPT Intro to CanSkate.

Full costumes will be used. Ensure your skater brings any additional items listed on the Skater Information page.

A Production Rehearsal is held for each "half" of the show with the first half being on Tuesday, April 22nd and the 2nd half on Wednesday, April 23rd.

These practices are important for both our skaters and organizers as we run through the entire half of the show to make sure everything flows properly. It also gives an opportunity to fix any issues that might arise.

Dress Rehearsal

Who attends: All Skaters

Full costumes will be used. Ensure your skater brings any additional items listed on the Skater Information Page.

A full Dress Rehearsal will be held on Friday, April 25th at 6pm and all skaters must attend. Lights, props and costumes will be used for this performance. ALL VOLUNTEERS MUST WORK THIS SHOW in order to gain experience to ensure efficiency for the next day's performances.

Tickets for this show can be purchased at the door. See page 1 of this newsletter for ticket prices.

Please remember that if you are planning to be a part of the audience for the Dress Rehearsal, we may need to start and stop certain portions of the show. This is to ensure we work out the "kinks" so our shows on Saturday will run smoothly. Please be patient with us.

Volunteers





OUR ICE SHOW IS RUN BY VOLUNTEERS!

The Georgina Skating Club volunteers are an integral part of our Ice Show and extremely valued. We need many, many volunteers to "lend a hand" to make the show a success.

A volunteer list will be electronically posted with lots of jobs we need assistance to complete. Please look at the list and sign up to help. Families are asked to help out with at least one show. If all families sign up for one spot, it will enable all families to attend at least one show to watch their skater(s).

Online Volunteer Sign Up!

We are pleased to continue to offer online sign up for our volunteers. Watch for more information on our website and social media about Volunteer sign up in early April. Volunteering is done on a first come, first served basis so sign up early to avoid disappointment.

Please note it is Club policy that only those volunteers signed up to be in a dressing room are permitted in that dressing room. Volunteers who sign up for this duty will be assisting ALL skaters in the room (i.e. tying skates and helping with costumes). For the safety of all skaters, volunteers will be required to follow Skate Canada's Rule of Two. If you feel your skater needs you in the room, we ask that you volunteer in the room. Due to safety concerns, dressing room volunteers must stay with the skaters in the room until the last skater is picked up.

A special thank you goes out in advance to all our volunteers. Without you, this show would not be possible.

Volunteer Hospitality Room

A Volunteer Hospitality Room is set up in the off-ice room during the dress rehearsal and both Saturday performances. This room will contain hot and cold drinks along with some snacks for our volunteers only. Skaters are not permitted as they will have a few snacks of their own in their dressing rooms.

We are always looking for donations for the Volunteer Hospitality Room. If you would like to donate, check out our online sign up on our website in early April, or speak with Kealy Parris in person or by email at volunteerwithgsc@gmail.com.

Please note that donations, while greatly appreciated, do not replace volunteer hours.



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Security



For the safety of our members, all skaters MUST be signed in and out during the Dress Rehearsal and both shows on Saturday. Parents/Guardians must bring their skater to the registration table to sign them in. An identification card with your skater's name will be provided to you at that time. This card must be returned to the registration table at the end of the show in order to sign the skater out. Skaters are not permitted to leave the dressing rooms unless they have been properly signed out. Please be patient with our volunteers while they assist with this process..

All Learn to Skate (Intro to Skating and CanŚkate) Skaters in the First Half of the Show must be picked up during Intermission.

Watch our website, bulletin boards and follow us on social media to stay in touch!











T-Shirts

Again this year, we are pleased to offer keepsake t-shirts for sale. Order forms are attached to this newsletter and are due on **March 31st**. Order your shirt in advance to avoid disappointment. To order please fill out our <u>T-shirt and Program Order Form</u> and complete your order by sending an etransfer payable to treasurer@georginaskatingclub.org Please use the password "IceShow25" and include

a list of items ordered in the notes of your transfer.

T-shirts are \$25 and sizes available are Youth XS-XL, Adult S-3XL.

Portraits

Professional Ice Show portraits and group shots will be taken on your skater's assigned photo day. Please check the schedule included with your skater's information package to determine your skater's time slot. We ask that all skaters participate in the photos on our picture days (on April 10th) as they are also used in our FULL COLOUR program book as well as viewed on screen during the show.

Our photographer, *Ice Photo Studio*, accepts cash, Visa, Mastercard and American Express. Photos may be purchased and picked up in the lobby during dress rehearsal and both Ice Show performances.





Videos

Order your very own copy of GSC's Ice Show!

Don't miss out on an amazing piece of memorabilia long after the show is over.

Videos can be ordered until May 11th.

Programs

Preseve your show memories by purchasing a copy of our **FULL COLOUR program book**. Program books can be purchased in advance by completing our <u>T-Shirt and Program Order Form</u>.

Advanced orders are due April 13th. There will be some copies available for purchase during the dress rehearsal and/or shows but copies will be limited, we strongly recommend ordering your copy in advance to avoid disappointment. To complete your order please send an etransfer for your total owing, payable to treasurer@georginaskatingclub.org Please use the password "IceShow25" and include a list of items ordered in the notes of your transfer.



GSC Ice Show set up for "Lil" Bit Country, Lil" Bit Rock & Roll", April 27, 2019