

Soloist Requirements 2019 Ice Spectacular

1. **Club Membership:** Skater must be a Senior Club Member of the North Shore Skating Club in good standing (no balances over 45 days) and have been a member of NSSC for at least one full year.
2. **Past Ice Spectacular Participation:** Skaters must have participated in last year's Ice Spectacular as a full participant in show groups unless the Show Committee approved a school conflict or special circumstance.
3. **Freestyle Test Level:** Solos are awarded to skaters who have passed their Intermediate Freestyle test or above, on or before November 12, 2018. Graduating High School Seniors who have passed Pre-Juvenile or Juvenile Freestyle tests will be invited to skate a solo at the discretion of the Show Committee. Juvenile IJS New England Regional Competitors placing top 50% in their flight will be invited to skate a solo. Adult Silver, Gold or Masters level skaters who medal in the final round of a qualifying event at the Eastern Sectional Championships will receive a solo.
4. **Summer Ice:** Skaters must have contracted a minimum of 15 freestyle sessions total during the 2018 summer session at NSSC. If there are any situations/opportunities that prohibited you from fulfilling this requirement please contact the Show Committee.
5. **Fall Ice:** Skaters must contract a minimum of 3 freestyle sessions per week for fall ice. Fall ice must be contracted as of September 17, 2018 and continue to be contracted through June 29, 2019.
 - *Exception:* Graduating High School Seniors who have passed Pre-Juvenile or Juvenile Freestyle tests must contract a minimum of 2 freestyle sessions per week for fall ice.
 - *Note:* If you are a Graduating High School Senior and pass the Intermediate Freestyle test by the November 12, 2018 test deadline, you must have contracted 3 sessions per week of fall ice in order to get 3 nights of a solo.
6. **Rehearsals:** Soloists must attend all rehearsals and are required to attend a mandatory soloist dress rehearsal in addition to the regular full dress rehearsal.
7. **Skating Experience:** Skaters must fulfill ONE of the following criteria during the timeframe of April 9, 2018 to February 24, 2019
 - a. Skate in one NSSC exhibition AND participate in one test session
 - b. Skate in one NSSC exhibition AND compete in one singles freestyle event representing NSSC
 - c. Compete at two competitions in a singles freestyle event representing NSSC
 - d. Compete in a singles freestyle event representing NSSC and participate in one test session

The Show Committee reserves the right to take under consideration special circumstances, on a case-by-case basis such as, but not limited to, medical & financial constraints. You can contact the Show Committee at nssc.shows@nsskating.org.

Skaters fulfilling the soloist and show participation requirements listed will receive solo assignments from the Show Directors. The number of performances for a solo is based on the skater's freestyle test level as of November 12, 2018. The soloist skating order is determined at the discretion of the Show Committee and is not based on test level.

Solo Performance Criteria

- 🛼 Skaters who have passed Novice, Junior, or Senior freestyle will be invited to perform in all 3 performances.
- 🛼 Skaters who have passed Intermediate freestyle will be invited to perform in 2 performances, which are determined by the Show Committee.
- 🛼 An Intermediate skater who places in the top 50% of their initial round in an IJS event at the New England Regional Championships will be invited to skate in all 3 show performances.
- 🛼 A Juvenile skater who places in the top 50% of their initial round in an IJS event at the New England Regional Championships will receive a solo in at least one show performance. If there is only a final round, the Juvenile skater must place in the top 50% or medal. The actual number of performances will be determined by the Show Committee.
- 🛼 An Adult Silver, Gold or Masters skater who medals in the final round of a qualifying freestyle event at the Eastern Sectional Championships will receive a solo in at least one show performance. The actual number of performances will be determined by the Show Committee.
- 🛼 Graduating High School Seniors:
 - Skaters who have passed Intermediate Freestyle may be asked to perform in all 3 shows pending the decision of the Show Committee.
 - Skaters who have passed Juvenile Freestyle and have performed in the past 3 consecutive annual Ice Spectaculars may be invited to skate a solo in 2 performances. Solo performance nights to be determined by the Show Committee.
 - Skaters who have passed Pre-Juvenile Freestyle and have performed in the past 3 consecutive annual Ice Spectaculars may be invited to skate a solo in 1 performance. Solo performance night will be determined by the Show Committee.

Soloist Music

The music for the NSSC soloists must blend with the theme of the show. Soloists' music must be submitted via email at nssc.shows@nsskating.org or to the club office, for approval by Jessica Kruss and Suzi Swezey, no earlier than Friday January 11, 2019 and no later than Friday February 1, 2019. Show Directors will approve music as they are received. If two skaters choose the same music, the option of skating the piece will be determined by the show directors. Jessica Kruss will be available for music consultation as needed. Music length for all soloists is 2:00 +/- 10 seconds. Edited music must be emailed to Suzi Swezey at nssc.shows@nsskating.org by **Sunday, March 3, 2019** to be approved for quality, timing and editing onto the main show CD.

Soloist Costumes

Soloists are responsible for choosing and providing a costume for their solo that suits their approved music choice. Soloists should plan to have their costumes ready to be worn for Picture Day on March 2, 2019.

PLEASE REMEMBER: OUR PERFORMANCE IS A FAMILY SHOW. WHEN CHOOSING YOUR COSTUME, MUSIC AND CHOREOGRAPHY, REMEMBER THAT YOUR SKATING IS THE FOCUS!