

## Five candidates added to ISU Skating Awards

**January 17, 2020. Today two coaches, two choreographers and one athlete in the Best Costume category have been added to the long list of candidates of the inaugural ISU Skating Awards.**

Tens of thousands of votes have been submitted through the [ISU Skating Awards online voting platform](#) for the candidates of the inaugural ISU Skating Awards. Fans, media and ISU Members have until February 10, 2020 to vote for their favorite athletes in each of the categories.

The ISU Skating Awards Selection Commission selected the candidates based on the ISU Grand Prix of Figure Skating event results and [announced the initial list of candidates on December 1, 2019](#). Following the ISU Grand Prix of Figure Skating Final that took place in Torino (ITA) last December, the ISU Skating Awards Selection Commission added five new candidates. For the full list of candidates, please go [here](#) or register on the [ISU online voting platform](#) where votes can be cast in the following categories:

1. **Most Valuable Skater**
2. **Best Costume**
3. **Most Entertaining Program**
4. **Best Newcomer**
5. **Best Choreographer**
6. **Best Coach**
7. **Lifetime Achievement Award**

Three nominees in each category will be selected from the long list of candidates and officially announced on March 10, 2020 along with the Lifetime Achievement Award. The winners will be determined by a [star-studded Jury](#) composed of Eric Radford (CAN), Miki Ando (JPN), Surya Bonaly (FRA), Tatiana Navka (RUS) and Todd Eldredge (USA), and will be revealed and presented with their Award at the ISU Skating Awards on March 22, 2020.

The ISU Skating Awards is a combination of the Exhibition Gala and an Awards show in honor of all those who participated in the ISU World Figure Skating Championships 2020. In tradition with the Exhibition Gala format, the 2020 world medalists will perform an exhibition number that will be coupled with live musical acts and exciting production numbers that combine contemporary skating and dance. For the first time ever at the World Championships *cirque nouveau* will also be on display during the show. Seven Award categories for Skaters, Coaches and Choreographers will be awarded.

The ISU Skating Awards will take place on Sunday, March 22, 2020 between 16:00 – 18:30 EDT (21:00 – 23:30 GMT) at The Bell Center in Montreal, Canada.

For further information on the ISU Skating Awards, please consult the FAQ on the [ISU Skating Awards](#) page and the [Montreal2020's FAQ](#).

The ISU, Skate Canada and Art on Ice held a press conference on October 26, 2019 to unveil and explain the ISU Skating Awards. The full press conference is available on demand on the [Skating ISU YouTube channel](#).

To receive the latest information on the #ISUSkatingAwards please subscribe to the [ISU Newsletter here](#) and for more information please visit the [ISU Skating Awards](#) section of [ISU.ORG](#) and <https://montreal2020.com>. Click [here](#) to buy tickets for this exclusive event.

## About International Skating Union

The International Skating Union (ISU), founded in 1892, is the oldest governing international winter sport federation and the exclusive international sport federation recognized by the International Olympic Committee (IOC) administering the sports of Figure Skating (Single & Pair Skating and Ice Dance), Synchronized Skating, Speed Skating and Short Track Speed Skating worldwide. The objectives of the ISU are to regulate, govern, promote and develop its sports on the basis of friendship and mutual understanding between athletes. Currently three ISU disciplines are included in the Olympic Winter Games program (Figure Skating, Speed Skating and Short Track Speed Skating). For further information please visit [isu.org](http://isu.org).

## About Skate Canada

A not-for-profit organization, Skate Canada is the oldest figure skating organization in the world and is recognized by the Government of Canada, the Canadian Olympic Committee, and the International Skating Union as the governing body for the sport of figure skating in Canada. As the largest learn-to-skate teaching organization in Canada, Skate Canada is dedicated to creating a nation of skaters both recreationally and competitively. Skate Canada is comprised of ten regional sections that are made up of over 1,200 skating clubs and 180,000 members, including over 10,000 volunteers and coaches who are dedicated to creating safe and healthy learning, training, and working environments in our communities. For further information please visit [skatecanada.ca](http://skatecanada.ca).

## About Art on Ice

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