

Dear CanSkate families,

Next week is show week and there is a lot to remember. Hopefully, we have been able to capture it all in one place. Hang on to your hats – this is a long email.

1. Volunteering

Every family in the show is required to take **two** of the positions listed in [Sign-Up-Genius/Gliding Through the Sounds of Time](#). You are required to take **three** positions if you have two or more skaters in the show. It takes a lot of bodies behind the scenes to pull this off.

Positions in particular need are:

- **Dressing Room Supervision (Sunday) – this is currently the number one problem area!**
- Heavy Lifting/Rink Set up Crew – the arena schedule is clear after our rehearsal on Friday, so the Town is allowing us to begin setup **Friday evening** (instead having to start early on Saturday morning.) This involves moving bleachers and staging plus taping down the walkway for our audience.
- Front of House and Security – Saturday evening and Sunday morning. Please be aware that duties in this area run from before the show starts until the audience leaves. During the show, volunteers will rotate through positions so they will be able to see parts of the show from the sidelines only.
- Also, there are several slots available within the Rink Setup team, Saturday Dressing Room Supervision team, Sunday afternoon Heavy Lifting/Take Down Crew, Rink & Lobby Take Down team and Monday Costume and Curtain Storage team.
- If you have already signed up - thank you. If you have yet to select your volunteer shifts go to: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4BA8A72BABF9C34-48172789-gliding#/>

2. Tickets

To answer the question about who needs to purchase a ticket: unless you are volunteering as spotlight operator, stage crew or dressing room supervisor for that particular show; you need to purchase a ticket to be in the audience.

Friday, March 15 through Sunday, March 17 – enter the Promo Code: **Skating2024** to purchase general admission tickets for \$20 (plus handling fees). Children 6 years of age and under are free but please select the number of children attending so they are in our capacity count.

Link to our [Eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/gliding-through-the-sounds-of-time-a-figure-skating-performance-tickets-846676892377?aff=oddtcreator) page: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/gliding-through-the-sounds-of-time-a-figure-skating-performance-tickets-846676892377?aff=oddtcreator>

3. Costumes

- a. Fittings - Ongoing and we are trying to do them before or after your child skates but if you receive a short notice email request for a fitting – do not be surprised and do your very best to attend.
- b. Aquarius – Adele, Chheyang, Hiba, Jaanvi, Mavi
 - i. You provide: White or pink helmet (maybe ask to switch with someone if your helmet is another colour). **Suggest you wear a tight-fitting pastel coloured t-shirt under your dress.**
 - ii. Club provides: Pink skating dress, pink gloves and beige skating tights
- c. Aquarius – Arjun, Chase
 - i. You provide: helmet, white sleeveless undershirt (if you think you will need it to be warm.
 - ii. Club provides: White t-shirt with silver suspenders, gloves and silver cummerbund, silver pants.
- d. Ob-la-de, Ob-la-da – Amelia, Ella, Emma, Everly, Isabelle, Phoebe, Tyanna
 - i. You provide: helmet, short sleeved undershirt to wear under your top
 - ii. Club provides: helmet cover, top, pants, blue gloves, coloured tights (multiple colours)
- e. Ob-la-de, Ob-la-da – Bodi, Chael, Lucas
 - i. You provide: helmet, dark coloured short sleeve undershirt to wear under your top and can tuck into your jean, jeans (faded, if you have them. It was the style at the time.)
 - ii. Club provides: Copper coloured top; black gloves

4. Hair and Makeup

- a. Makeup – a tasteful amount of blush, eye shadow and lipstick will be applied by the dressing room supervisors. If you do not want your child to wear makeup, child can ask that it not be applied.
 - b. Hair – long hair must be tied back neatly and clipped if necessary to be off the skater's face.
5. Other things to bring:
- a. Full zip jacket to stay warm backstage. Needs to be easy to take off just before going out to perform.
 - b. Hard guards – use when sitting in the bleachers and walking to or from the dressing rooms and ice surface.
 - c. Blanket (optional) – will be especially useful while watching Dress Rehearsal
 - d. Water bottle – no other beverages in the dressing room
 - e. Non-messy, non-sticky snacks
 - f. Some quiet activity to amuse yourself. It's show business, there is a lot of waiting around in between flurries of activity.
6. Rehearsal Schedule
- a. Mondays only CanSkaters, you are welcome to attend Thursday from 4:45-5:30pm this week and Thursday only CanSkaters, you are welcome to attend Monday from 6:15-7:00pm this week. This only applies to skaters in the show – hope that is obvious.
 - b. Run CanSkate numbers and learn finale: Friday, March 22 from 6:00-7:00pm. Please put your skates on in the bleachers.
 - c. Dress rehearsal: Saturday, March 23 from 2:00pm-4:00pm. Costume, hair and makeup on before you go into the audience. **Parents – sorry, you don't get to watch the dress rehearsal.**
7. "Dinner Time" between the Dress Rehearsal and Show call time.
- a. If you have the ability to get away from the rink and take a nap, eat something nutritious and have some quiet time. That is the recommended course of action.
 - b. If you will be staying at the rink, Room 230 (upstairs between the two arenas) is booked for our use. There will be tables and chairs setup for you to eat your dinner and there will be adult supervision. You are responsible for bringing your own food and drink.
8. Show #1 – Saturday, March 23 – check-in/call time for CanSkate performers is 6:00pm

- a. Skater Check-in is in the back lobby near the dressing rooms. Easiest if you enter through the back doors of the Rec Centre.
 - b. Skaters – say “good-bye” to parents. Volunteers will show skaters to their dressing room and get them ready to perform.
 - c. We expect the show to run until 8:00pm. All costume pieces must stay in the dressing rooms. You may leave your skates, helmet and any of your personal effects as well.
 - d. Parents, pick your child up in the back lobby.
9. Show #2 – Sunday, March 22 – check-in/call time for CanSkate performers is **10:30am**
- a. Same check-in routine as yesterday.
 - b. We expect the show to run until 12:30pm. All costume pieces provided by the Club must stay in the dressing rooms. Please take all of your personal belongings with you.
 - c. Parents, pick your child up in the back lobby.
 - d. Skaters - there will be a little treat for you up in Room 230. Drop by before you leave. (Cast party has been cancelled.)

Thank you for all your hard work and enthusiasm.

See you at the rink!