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Dear Clubs, Schools and Members of the Skate Canada PEI Section,

The purpose of this document is to outline the Section and National Awards eligibility and selection process for the 2019-2020 Awards nominations.

- **All PEI Award nominations must be approved and submitted by the Club. If the Club feels there are two deserving candidates within their membership, they can submit both.**
- All nominations must be submitted online by February 14, 2020 (Skate Canada requirement) unless stated otherwise.

For online links and Award description information, please refer to the following page references. For additional award descriptions and links please visit the Skate Canada [info centre – procedures](#) page.

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# SECTION CANSKATE AWARD

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The purpose of the Skate Canada Section CanSkate Athlete Award is to recognize skaters who have shown enthusiasm and dedication to the CanSkate program throughout the skating season.

Skate Canada reserves the right to invite the section winner from the host section to the Skate Canada Ice Summit to accept the award on behalf of the ten section winners.

This award will be presented to one person in each of the ten Sections who meets the following criteria:

## Criteria

- Must be enrolled in CanSkate for the current registration year
- Demonstrates a positive attitude
- Demonstrates an eagerness to learn and improve skills
- Is cooperative
- Participates fully

The link to the nomination form is available [here](#).

# SECTION STARSKATE ATHLETE AWARD

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The purpose of the Skate Canada Section STAR Athlete Award is to recognize skaters who have demonstrated determination and commitment to the STAR program. Recipients of this award have displayed passion for the sport and have achieved success throughout the season, not only within the STAR assessing/testing system but also with personal skill development and growth.

This award will be presented to one person in each of the ten sections. Skate Canada reserves the right to invite the section winner from the host section to the Skate Canada Ice Summit to accept the award on behalf of the ten section winners.

## Criteria

The winner of this award must not have registered or competed in a CompetitiveSkate (Pre-Novice or higher) category at a Sectional qualifying competition in the current skating season. The winner should also reflect the essence of the STAR program, including:

- Participation
- Achievement
- Personal success
- Displaying spirit and passion for the sport
- Striving for new goals
- Achieving balance within skating and in other areas of life
- Giving back to the sport by assisting at club level (program assistant, volunteering for club events, etc.)

The link to the nomination form is available [here](#).

# SECTION COMPETITIVE SKATE ATHLETE AWARD

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This award will be presented to one person in each of the ten sections. Skate Canada reserves the right to invite the section winner from the host section to the Skate Canada Ice Summit to accept the award on behalf of the ten section winners.

## Criteria

- An individual skater who is under the age of 16 as of July 1 of the current competitive season OR a pairs or ice dance team under the age of 18 as of July 1 of the current competitive season
- An individual, pairs, or ice dance team who exhibits spirit, dedication, determination or other favorable qualities
- A minimum pre-novice competitor with a top-ten finish at the Sectional level in the current competitive season
- A positive role model for other athletes
- An individual, pairs or ice dance team who combines off-ice and on-ice training in order to meet his/her/their competitive goals

The link to the nomination form is available [here](#).

# SECTION PROGRAM ASSISTANT AWARD

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The purpose of the Skate Canada Section Program Assistant Award is to recognize dedicated and passionate program assistants who continuously share Skate Canada's vision with all participants of the program. This award is presented to individuals who are not only great assets to the coaching team on the ice, but also show their commitment off the ice by providing support and assistance to the club and its registrants.

This award will be presented to one person in each of the ten sections who meets the following criteria:

## Criteria

A currently active program assistant who:

- Has made a significant contribution to his/her club by having assisted skaters, coaches and/or the club executive with programming both on and off the ice
- Is an excellent role model who inspires others to embrace the joy of skating
- Displays a potential for a long-term commitment to the sport of figure skating in the community in a coaching or volunteer role

Deadline for nomination: February 14

The link to the nomination form is available [here](#).

# SECTION VOLUNTEER AWARD

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This award will be presented to one person in each of the ten Sections who meets the following criteria:

## Criteria

- Active and currently registered adult volunteer whose club and/or region efforts have produced specific, positive results in his/her section
- An individual whose contributions reflect passion for the sport and its participants
- An individual who is an exemplary role model for other volunteers, skaters and/or coaches
- Has a minimum of five years of volunteer work in the sport of skating
- Shows an awareness and interest in the future direction of the sport

Deadline for nomination: February 14

The link to the nomination form is available [here](#).

# SECTION VOLUNTEER AWARD OF EXCELLENCE

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This award will be presented at the Skate Canada Ice Summit to one person from each of the ten Sections who meets the following criteria:

## Criteria

- Active and currently registered adult volunteer whose efforts have produced specific, positive results in his/her section
- An individual whose contributions reflect passion for the sport and its participants
- An individual who is an exemplary role model for other volunteers, skaters and/or coaches
- Has a minimum of ten years volunteer work in the sport of skating
- Shows an awareness and interest in the future direction of the sport

Each section will use its own selection process and will select one winner.

Deadline for nomination: February 14

The link to the nomination form is available [here](#).

# PEI RECOGNITION AWARD

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This award will be presented to one person who is an active member of the Skate Canada PEI section.

## Criteria

- A hardworking individual who exhibits spirit, dedication, determination or other favorable qualities
- A Skater who is involved and demonstrates accomplishments in skating and the community
- Former candidates are eligible for nomination

Deadline for nomination: February 14

The link to the nomination form is available [here](#).

# STEPHEN DENNIS MEMORIAL TROPHY

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The purpose of the Skate Canada PEI Stephen Dennis Memorial Trophy is to recognize a dance, pair or synchronized team registered with the Section. If the Section Awards committee believes that the criteria have not been fulfilled by a team, the trophy will not be awarded.

## Criteria

This award will be presented to one team who achieves at the provincial, atlantics or national level plus meets at least 2 of the following criteria:

- Exhibits the true spirit of skating
- Shows qualities or evidence of sportsmanship and dedication
- Demonstrates excellence and creativity in chosen team discipline
- Team members demonstrate good character traits by volunteering in the skating discipline (ie. PA, evaluator, official, coach, etc.) and/or volunteers in their community or school.

Deadline for nomination: March 5

The link to the nomination form is available [here](#).

# SECTION OFFICIALS AWARD

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This award will be presented to one person in each of the ten sections who meets the following criteria:

## Criteria

- A Skate Canada technical representative, evaluator, judge, referee, technical controller, technical specialist or data specialist who is currently registered with Skate Canada
- Active at the Section level or lower for at least five years
- Demonstrates a knowledge of Skate Canada rules, policies, philosophies and programs
- Is keen to share accurate information with other officials, athletes, coaches, parents and administrators with the interest/intent of developing figure skating and figure skaters in Canada
- An individual who has given quality service to the Section and the organization in general

Deadline for nomination: February 14

The link to the nomination form is available [here](#).

# SECTION VOLUNTEER COACH AWARD

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This award will be presented to one person in each of the ten sections. It will be given to a professional coach who has contributed to the coaching community through volunteer efforts at the club, region, section or national level. The focus of this award is on volunteer contributions made by professional coaches to the sport of skating.

## Criteria

- A registered Skate Canada professional coach in good standing with a minimum NCCP status of CanSkate Coach Certified
- An individual who contributes volunteer time in addition to professional coaching time at the club, region, section or national level
- A professional coach who inspires others to embrace the joy of skating
- A professional coach who has demonstrated commitment to the development of the sport of skating

Deadline for nomination: February 14

The link to the nomination form is be available [here](#).

# CLUB COACH AWARD OF EXCELLENCE

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The purpose of the following Skate Canada Coach Award of Excellence is to recognize dedication and success in coaching at the grassroots level. The recipient will be selected based on his/her outstanding contributions to our sport within the skating community and to the well-being of athletes participating in Skate Canada programming, specifically in the Learn to Skate, Learn to Train and Active for Life, Long-Term Athlete Development (LTAD) stages.

## Criteria

Nominees must meet the minimum criteria defined below for the current registration year, must be currently registered professional coaches in good standing and must consent to the nomination.

- A registered Skate Canada professional coach in good standing with be a minimum NCCP status of CanSkate Coach Certified
- An active coach who is dedicated to the profession and has a proven track record of coaching excellence within one or more of the following program areas:
  - Learn to Skate LTAD stage: CanSkate or CanPowerSkate
  - Learn to Train/Active for Life LTAD stage: STAR program, non-qualifying SynchroSkate
  - Active for Life LTAD stage: Adult Skate, Adult SynchroSkate, CollegiateSkate or Inclusive Skating
- Must move beyond coaching as a profession and contribute to the development of skating through professional and/or volunteer commitment (e.g., serve on a skating-related committee at any level, act as an NCCP learning facilitator or as an official, etc.).
- Must embrace change, encourage an Active for Life philosophy and inspire all to embrace the joy of skating.

This award will be presented to one person at the Skate Canada Ice Summit. Skate Canada reserves the right to not present this award in any given year.

The winner will be selected by a panel that consists of the Skate Canada President, the Chair of the Coaching Development Committee, the Senior Coaching and Officials Manager, and the Coach Development Coordinator.

Deadline for nomination: February 14. The link to the nomination form is available [here](#).

# ELIZABETH SWAN MEMORIAL AWARD

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The purpose of this award is to recognize an individual for his/her dedication and contribution to the discipline of synchronized skating in Canada.

This award will be presented to one person at the Skate Canada Ice Summit. Nominations should be submitted by event technical representatives, domestic or international event referees, national team coaches, national or international team managers, section synchronized skating coordinators, or any member of the Skate Canada and/or Section Board of Directors. Skate Canada reserves the right to not present this award in any given year.

## Criteria

- Active adult volunteer (including officials, event organizers, administrators and representatives, etc.) recognized for his/her contribution to synchronized skating
- Reflect the characteristics of Elizabeth Swan - dedication, perseverance, commitment, passion and spirit
- A strong desire and interest in promoting the sport of synchronized skating within and beyond the skating community
- An individual who is aware of, and supports, the development of all levels of synchronized skating
- An individual who has given at least 5 years to the discipline of synchronized skating in a volunteer capacity

The winner will be selected by the Skate Canada President, Chair of the Synchronized Skating Operating Committee and members of Skate Canada staff.

Deadline for nomination: February 14.

The link to the nomination form is available [here](#).



# OFFICIALS AWARD OF EXCELLENCE

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This award will be presented to one person at the Skate Canada Ice Summit. Active officials (technical representatives, judges, referees, technical controllers, technical specialists and data specialists) are eligible. Nominations should be made by officials, National Team coaches, team managers, or any member of the Skate Canada Board of Directors, Section Board of Directors, or Section Judge/Evaluator Chairs. Skate Canada reserves the right to not present this award in any given year.

## Criteria

Nominees must meet the minimum criteria defined below and must consent to their nomination.

- An active official who is currently registered with Skate Canada
- Officiated at a minimum of one national\* (or international) event in the current season
- Demonstrated knowledge of Skate Canada programs philosophies, vision and mission
- An official who is keen to share accurate information with other officials, athletes, coaches, parents and coaches with the interest of developing skating and figure skaters in Canada
- An individual who has given, and will continue to provide, quality service at the section, national and/or international level

\*National events include Skate Canada Challenge, Canadian Figure Skating Championships, Skate Canada Synchronized Skating Championships, and the Regional Synchronized Skating Championships.

The Skate Canada President, chair of the Officials Assignment and Promotion Committee, staff lead of the Officials Assignment and Promotion Committee, and the High Performance Director will select the winner.

Deadline for nomination : February 14

The link to the nomination form is available [here](#).