

# SKATE CANADA INTERNATIONAL LAVAL, CANADA OCTOBER 26-28, 2018

# Media Information





Skate Canada looks forward to hosting media attending the Skate Canada International in Laval, Quebec, Canada. The event will be held at Place Bell from October 26-28, 2018.

This information will assist you in planning your trip to Laval and to apply for media accreditation to cover the event. Every effort will be made to ensure journalists have all the appropriate facilities necessary to work at the event.

The press centre and press tribune will be open and operational for the first practice/ training session on Thursday, October 25 at 9:00 a.m.

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If you require further information or have any questions, please contact:

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#### Media Accreditation

All media must apply for media accreditation through the Skate Canada website.

Accreditation will be granted to professional journalists and photographers only.

Writing press, photographers, non-right holding media and freelancers

- Writing Press (newspaper, magazine, internet, agencies and ISU Member Federations): maximum two professionals per organization
- Photographer: maximum one professional per organization (agencies and major newspapers: maximum two professionals)
- Television non-right holder: maximum three professionals per organization
- Radio non-right holder: maximum one professional per organization
- Freelancer: A freelance journalist or photographer is a full time professional editor or photographer, who is not employed by an agency or newspaper a self-employed professional. A freelance editor or photographer <u>must provide</u> <u>written evidence</u> that he/she operates on behalf of a clearly identified media. A freelance editor or photographer operating under his/her own account will not be accepted.

The total number of accredited media representatives will be subject to capacity. The Organizing Committee (OC) and ISU reserve the right to refuse any accreditation should the number of applications exceed given space or if any requested information / documentation has not been provided in due time.

The deadline to apply for media accreditation is **Tuesday**, **October 9**, **2018**. All media must provide the following documentation when applying for media accreditation and further information can be requested:

- 1. Copy of current professional media or journalist card
- 2. ID photo in .jpg.
- 3. If not in possession of a professional media card, a comment must be added to the note box provided and a letter from your editor confirming your assignment must be uploaded to your application.

#### Rights holding TV and radio

To book any broadcasting services or facilities please contact the host Broadcaster: Arden Doidge-Flynn TSN Production Manager, Live Events <u>Arden.Doidge-Flynn@bellmedia.ca</u> +1-705-868-3186

#### Accreditation Confirmation

If the accreditation request is accepted, an automatic email of confirmation will be issued. You may be asked to present a copy of the email of confirmation to receive your accreditation badge.

You will also be notified if your accreditation request is denied. <u>Please note that the ISU and OC reserve the right to refuse accreditation with or without justification.</u>



Media personnel can pick up their accreditation at Place Bell (1950 Rue Claude-Gagné, Laval, Quebec, Canada, H7N 0E4) at the Team Entrance starting on Thursday, October 25 at 9:00 a.m. Photo identification will be required for the duration of the event.

#### Visa Application

Media representatives requiring an official invitation letter in order to apply for a visa must contact the Organizing Committee. Please note that an official invitation letter will only be provided to approved media representatives. Please email 2018sci@skatecanada.ca to request a visa letter.

#### Media Facilities at the venue

- The Media Centre is located at Place Bell and will provide a working area for media with fully equipped internet (wireless and hard-line), printing stations and a small catering station. This area over looks the rink and will also act as the Media Tribune.
- A press conference room will also be located at Place Bell.

#### MEDIA CENTRE HOURS (subject to change)

- Thursday, October 25
  Friday, October 26
  Saturday, October 27
  Sunday, October 28
  O9:00 18:00
  O7:30 24:00
  O9:00 18:00

#### Mixed Zone

The Mixed Zone provides an opportunity for media to interview athletes immediately after competition.

The Mixed Zone is split into five main sections and follows a pre-determined priority order:

- Rights holders TV and radio broadcasters who have pre-booked positions
- ENG crews
- Written press
- Non-rights holders

All athletes must pass through the Mixed Zone on completion of every event. Media may also approach coaches for interviews in their designated section, if required. The Media Operations team will to make sure that skaters go through the mixed zone, fulfil any media requests but are also responsible to make sure that the medallists get to their ceremony on time and will return to the Mixed Zone to finish TV interviews, and will then attend the press conference. Any interview requests for skaters during practices and gala must be made to the staff at the Media Centre in advance.



The Mixed Zone is located at ground floor level and can be accessed via stairs on the concourse level.

# Material Available

- Press Conference: Press Releases: Following the conclusion of the short program/dance for all men's, ladies, pair, and ice dance there will be a brief press conference for the skaters who place first, second, and third. Following the free program/dance for men's, ladies, pair and ice dance, the gold, silver and bronze medalists will participate in a post-event press conference. All press conferences will be held at the Place Bell - Press Conference Room.
- Media Guide: <u>https://www.isu.org/media-guides/17522-figure-skating-media-guide-2018-19/file</u>
- Image Gallery: <u>media@skatecanada.ca</u>
- Social Media: <u>Twitter</u>, <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Instagram</u>, <u>Snapchat</u>
- Hashtags: #SCI18 #GPFigure

#### Media Accommodation

The OC has designated an official media hotel. Shuttle transportation will be arranged from all the official media hotels to the main venue. Shuttle schedules will be provided on site. Please be advised that the <u>transportation service will only be available for the designated official media hotels.</u>

Every individual media person is responsible for booking their own accommodation and bearing any cancellation fees.

#### Media Hotel

Hilton Montreal/Laval Hotel 2225 Laurentian Autoroute, Laval, QC H7S 1Z6 Standard \$169.00 + tax Suite \$219.00 + tax Tax: DMF 3.5%, GST 5%, PST 9.75% Complimentary Parking Link to book: https://secure.htgsports.com/hrms.nsf/StdMarathonVisitor?OpenForm&eventid=024F82 BCB4F76D6D852582D5006AFE63

Transportation

For information on public transportation, visit <u>https://www.stl.laval.qc.ca/en/home/</u>.



#### **Competition information**

Schedule: **Thursday, October 25, 2018** Official Practices (All Day)

Friday, October 26, 2018 14:30 PAIRS - Short Program 15:55 MEN - Short Program 18:30 Opening Ceremony 19:10 ICE DANCE - Rhythm Dance 20:45 LADIES - Short Program

Saturday, October 27, 2018 13:30 PAIRS - Free Skating 15:00 MEN - Free Skating Victory Ceremonies Men and Pairs 19:10 ICE DANCE - Free Dance 21:00 LADIES - Free Skating Victory Ceremonies Ladies and Ice Dance

Sunday, October 28, 2018 14:00 Exhibition Gala

Please note: This schedule is subject to changes

Entry List: <u>http://www.isuresults.com/events/fsevent03111617.htm</u> Results: <u>http://www.isuresults.com/events/fsevent03111617.htm</u> Rankings: <u>https://www.isu.org/inside-single-pair-skating-ice-dance/entries-results-fs/standings</u>

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