Event #16, Skate the Mountain
Saturday, September 27, 2014

# 2014 Michigan Basic Skills Series Competition Mission Statement

To give our skaters a chance to develop their USFS Basic Skills in a fun competitive environment. During the competition season – skaters will have the chance to compete at many different clubs and arenas and earn points for a final standing.

A skater may participate in either Freeskating and/or Compulsory/Elements events in any of the Michigan Basic Skills Series Competitions to be eligible for accumulating points. Awards will be presented to skaters with the highest point totals. These awards will take place - on the ice – at the Midland Competition – November 8, 2014

***Series Point System***

The Freeskating events and the Compulsory/Elements events in each of the Series Competitions will be eligible for accumulating points. Each event will have a maximum of 6 skaters. The system for scoring points for the final award will be as follows:

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| 1st Place | 6 points |
| 2nd Place | 5 points |
| 3rd Place | 4 points |
| 4th Place | 3 points |
| 5th Place | 2 points |
| 6th Place | 1 point |

If an event has 2-6 skaters, the points will be awarded as if there were 6 skaters in the group. If there is only one skater in the group, they will be awarded 3 points. At the end of the Series, in the case of total points tied, all skaters tied for a place will be awarded a medal, no ties will be broken.

Points are accumulated for Compulsory and Free Skate events separately.

Medals will be awarded (1-3 Place) in each level as highlighted in each announcement. Beyond the Basics **will NOT** be counted in the Freeskate and Elements/Compulsory Program Series for this 2014 season. Spins, Dance, Pairs, Theatre On Ice, Synchronized Teams, and Showcase Events **will NOT** be counted for this 2014 season.

At the end of the 2014 Series Season any skaters who moved up a level will be awarded 6 bonus points [6 points only whether they move up one level or more]. All points follow the skater throughout the year.

Please Note: The USFS Michigan Basic Skills Series is sponsored equally by all the participating ice rinks and/or USFS member clubs. Competition announcements and packages will be available at all participating ice rinks and/via the club or rink websites as well as www.sk8stuff.com. Each competition will have its own entry forms and specific rules – so please make sure to read the entire announcement for each competition.

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# 8th Annual USFS Michigan Basic Skills Series – Hosted by the following:

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| Event #1–Lakeshore Winter Freeze<br>**Febru[illegible]**<br>**Entry Dead[illegible]2014**<br>Lak[illegible]e<br>Con[illegible]d Hinkle<br>Phone: 231-557-5519<br>Kayla.hinkle14@gmail.com | Event #2 Onyx-Suburban Basic Skills Challenge<br>**February 16, 2014**<br>**Entry Deadline – January 31, 2014**<br>Suburban Ice Macomb<br>Contact: Laura Schaffran<br>Phone: 586-585-9129<br>Laura.Schaffran@ONSTAR.com | Event #3 – Skate the Capital<br>**March 15, 2014**<br>**Entry Deadline – February 28, 2014**<br>Suburban Ice – East Lansing<br>Contact: Alissa Folger<br>Phone: 517-304-4216<br>Lansingbasicskills@yahoo.com |
| Event #4 – Spring Freeze at Coliseum FSC<br>**March 30, 2014**<br>**Entry Deadline – March 10, 2014**<br>Arctic Coliseum<br>Contact: Kayleah Crosby<br>Phone: 517-581-0014<br>Kayleah.crosby@gmail.com | Event #5 – Mountain Town Classic<br>**April 12, 2014**<br>**Entry Deadline – March 28, 2014**<br>The I.C.E. Arena<br>Contact: Ginni Phillips<br>Phone: 989-560-3871; 989-775-9148<br>gpsk8r@gmail.com | Event #6 - Arctic Basic Skills<br>**April 13, 2014**<br>**Entry Deadline – March 28, 2014**<br>Arctic Edge Ice Arena<br>Contact: Robin Liberatore<br>Phone: 734-981-7109<br>liberatoremom@gmail.com |
| Event #7 – Skate the Zoo<br>**April 26, 2014**<br>**Entry Deadline – April 7, 2014**<br>Wing's West<br>Contacts: Amy Wood / Jessica LaPorte<br>Phone: 269-598-9184/269-353-9668<br>sk8Amy02@aol.com/J8houk@hotmail.com | Event #8 - Tulip City Classic<br>**May 10, 2014**<br>**Entry Deadline – April 25, 2014**<br>Edge Ice Arena<br>Jacqueline Alimipich<br>Phone: 517-518-1210<br>jalimpich@gmail.com | Event #9 - Journey on the River Raisin<br>**May 31, 2014**<br>**Entry Deadline – May 17, 2014**<br>Monroe Multi-Sports Complex<br>Louis Lombardo III<br>Phone: 734-457-4219<br>louis@monroemultisports.com |
| Event #10 –Ann Arbor Skills & Showcase<br>**June 14, 2014**<br>**Entry Deadline: May 30, 2014**<br>Ann Arbor Ice Cube<br>Logan Giulietti-Schmitt 630-750-2950<br>Logan_giulietti@hotmail.com.or<br>Susan Erskine sk8ersmom@gmail.com | Event #11 – Summer Swizzle<br>**June 21, 2014**<br>**Entry Deadline: May 27, 2014**<br>Farmington Hills Ice Arena<br>Contact: Michael Cooper<br>Phone: 248-885-5428<br>summerswizzle@fhsfsc.org | Event #12 – Summer Chill Basic Skills<br>**July 12, 2014**<br>**Entry Deadline: June 27, 2014**<br>Novi Ice Arena<br>Contacts: Heather Bauer<br>Phone: 248-586-9261<br>Heatherbauer123@gmail.com |
| Event #13 - Skate the Shores<br>**July 19, 2014**<br>**Entry Deadline : July 1, 2014**<br>St Clair Shores Civic Arena<br>Laura Delbarba<br>Phone: 586-445-5350<br>Sk8ncoach@yahoo.com | Event #14 – ICES B/S Challenge Showcase<br>**July 26, 2014**<br>**Entry Deadline – July 6, 2014**<br>Troy Sports Center<br>Contact: Theresa Bellish<br>Phone: 586-596-4071<br>bellish@nsf.org | Event #15 – I.C.E. Basic Skills Competition<br>**August 9, 2014**<br>**Entry Deadline – July 25, 2014**<br>Flint Iceland Arena<br>Contact: Lia DiCicco<br>Phone: 810-397-7506<br>coachlia@live.com |
| Event #16- Skate the Mountain<br>**September 27, 2014**<br>**Entry Deadline: September 7, 2014**<br>Crystal Fieldhouse, Burton, MI<br>Contact: Jacklinn Brayan<br>Phone: 810-814-1744<br>Eliteskatingacademy@gmail.com | Event #17 – Dearborn Basic Skills Comp<br>**October 11, 2014**<br>**Entry Deadline: Sept 21, 2014**<br>Dearborn Ice Skating Center<br>Contact: Nora Helwig<br>Phone: 248-763-2653<br>Nhelwig1@gmail.com | Event #18 - Plymouth FSC Spooktacular<br>**October 25, 2014**<br>**Entry Deadline: October 4, 2014**<br>Compuware Sports Arena<br>Contact: Maria Panek<br>Phone: 734-748-0884<br>mariapa@comcast.net |
| Event #19 Tuxedo Invitational Basic Skills<br>**October 26, 2014**<br>**Entry Deadline: October 11, 2014**<br>Bowling Green State University Arena<br>Contact: Pat Rabb<br>Phone: 419-308-4552<br>Rabb1960@metalink.net | Event #20 – Skate Midland<br>**November 8, 2014**<br>**Entry Deadline: October 14, 2014**<br>Midland Civic Arena<br>Contact: Karen Boswell<br>Phone: 989-695-4832<br>kboswell99@gmail.com | **SERIES AWARDS CEREMONY ON THE ICE AT THE MIDLAND COMPETITION** |

**Summer Camp will be in Farmington Hills [June 22nd].**
**Check out the details at the end of this announcement!!!**

# Skate the Mountain
# Basic Skills Competition
## Elite Skating Academy
## Crystal Fieldhouse
## ♦ 5371 Daly Farms Drive ♦ Burton, Michigan 48509

## Saturday, September 27, 2014
## Entry Deadline is September 7, 2014

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The Skate the Mountain of Fraser, sponsored by the Elite Skating Academy and will be held at the Crystal Fieldhouse Arena on Saturday, September 27, 2014. The ice surface measures 85 x 200 feet. This is a United States Figure Skating approved Basic Skills Competition. The sanctions will be posted on the official competition bulletin board. Questions regarding this competition should be directed to Jacklinn Brayan, eliteskating academy@gmail.com. E-mail communications are preferred.

**Mission Statement** – The purpose of this competition is to promote a fun, introductory, competitive experience for the beginning skater.

**Eligibility** - The Competition is open to ALL skaters who are current eligible (ER.100) members of either the Basic Skills Program and/or full members of US Figure Skating. To be eligible, skaters must have submitted a membership application or be a member in good standing. Members of other organizations are eligible to compete but must be registered with the host Basic Skills Program/Club or any other Basic Skills Program/Club. Eligibility will be based on skill level as of closing date of entries. All Snowplow Sam and Basic Skills 1-8 skaters must skate at highest level passed or one level higher and NO official U.S. Figure Skating tests may have been passed including MIF or individual dances. For the Test Track and Well Balanced levels, eligibility will be based only upon highest free skate test level passed (moves in the field test level will not determine skater's competitive level). Skaters may skate at highest level passed OR one level higher BUT not both levels in the same event during the same competition

**Rules** – The competition will be conducted under the rules set forth by the US Figure Skating "Basic Skills Competition Manual" program.

**Entry Fees** – The first event is $40.00 [Events not eligible for Series points will be $50.00 for first event], and each additional event is $20.00. All entries must be postmarked no later than **September 7, 2014**. Late entries will be accepted at the discretion of the organizers, and are subject to a possible $15.00 late fee. Entry fees are per person, U.S. dollars.

**Entry forms must be filled out legibly and completely** and mailed with a check made payable to **ESA** to:

**Elite Skating Academy**
**PO Box 1141**
**Fenton, MI 48430**

There will be a $35.00 fee for returned checks.

**Awards** – **All competitors will receive a medal**. All events are final rounds. ALL awards will be made at appropriate times throughout the competition.

**Registration** – The registration table will be open 1 hour before the competition begins. Skaters will not be allowed to compete until they have registered. ***Please register at least one hour before your competition time***.

**Schedule of Events** – Schedule will be posted on the Internet at the Figure Skater's Website, www.sk8stuff.com.

**Music** – The music for all free skating programs with music supplied by skater should be provided on CD. The CD is to be turned in at registration. Competitors must have a spare CD at rink side to be used in case of technical difficulties.

**Practice Ice** – Practice Ice will be available in 20-minute sessions. Details will be provided in a mailing prior to the competition date. Sign-in and pay $8.00 at the door. Awards will be handed out and a podium will be available for group and individual photos.

# BASIC ELEMENTS AND PROGRAM W/MUSIC EVENT: SNOWPLOW SAM – BASIC 8

- **BASIC ELEMENTS**

- To be skated on 1/3 to 1/2 ice
- No music
- **All elements must be skated in the order listed.** Each skater will perform each element only when directed by a judge or referee. Skaters are allowed one retry per element. If skater wants to retry, she/he should raise their hand immediately. If the skater attempts a retry, only the retry will count for that element.

- **BASIC PROGRAM W/MUSIC**

- The skating order of the required elements is optional. The elements are not restricted as to the number of times the element is executed or length of glides, number of revolutions, etc. unless otherwise specified.
- To be skated on full ice
- Vocal music is allowed
- The skater may use elements from a previous level.
- A .2 deduction will be taken **for each** element performed from a higher level
- Time: 1:00 +/- 10 seconds

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| **Snowplow Sam - Tots:**<br>1. March followed by a two foot glide and dip<br>2. Forward two foot swizzles 2-3 in a row<br>3. Forward snowplow stop<br>4. Backward wiggles 2-6 in a row | **Basic 5:**<br>1. Backward outside edge on a circle clockwise or counterclockwise **[not required for program with music]**<br>2. Backward crossovers 4-6 consecutive - both directions<br>3. Basic one foot spin – free leg held to side of spinning leg - minimum of three revolutions<br>4. Side toe hop -either direction<br>5. Hockey stop |
| **Basic 1**<br>1. Forward two foot glide and dip<br>2. Forward two foot swizzles 6 -8 in a row<br>3. Forward snowplow stop<br>4. Backward wiggles 6-8 in a row | **Basic 6:**<br>1. Standstill forward inside three turn - R & L<br>2. Bunny Hop<br>3. Forward spiral on a straight line - R or L<br>4. Lunge - R or L<br>5. T-stop - R or L |
| **Basic 2**<br>1. Forward one foot glide - either foot<br>2. Forward alternating ½ swizzle pumps, in a straight line - 2-3 each foot<br>3. Moving snowplow stop<br>4. Two foot turn in place forward to backward<br>5. Backward two foot swizzles - 6 - 8 in a row | **Basic 7:**<br>**1.** Standstill forward inside open Mohawk - R to L and L to R<br>2. Ballet Jump - either direction<br>3. Back crossovers to a back outside edge landing position clockwise and counter clockwise<br>4. Forward inside pivot |
| **Basic 3**<br>1. Forward stroking<br>2. Forward ½ swizzle pumps on a circle, either clockwise or counter clockwise 4-6 consecutive<br>3. Forward slalom<br>4. Backward one foot glide - either foot<br>5. Two foot spin – minimum 3 revolutions | **Basic 8:**<br>**1.** Moving forward outside or forward inside three turns R & L<br>2. Waltz jump<br>3. Mazurka - either direction<br>4. 1 combination move - clockwise or counter clockwise – two forward crossovers into FI Mohawk, step down, cross behind, step into one back crossover and step to a forward inside edge<br>5. Beginning one-foot upright spin - free foot held to side of spinning leg or crossed position minimum 3 revolutions |
| **Basic 4**<br>1. Standstill forward outside three turn - R & L<br>2. Forward outside edge on a circle clockwise or counter clockwise **[not required for program with music]**<br>3. Forward crossovers 4-6 consecutive both directions<br>4. Backward stroking 4-6 strokes<br>5. Backward snowplow stop - R or L | |

# ***All events listed on this page are eligible for***
## ***Michigan Basic Skills Series Points***
## Compulsory Events

- To be skated on ½ of ice surface. In program form, using a limited number of connecting steps, the skating order of the required elements is optional
- No music is allowed
- The skater must demonstrate the required elements and may use any additional elements from previous levels.
- A .2 deduction will be taken **for each** element performed from a higher level
- *Skaters have the option to skate one level higher in compulsories than their free skate program*

| LEVEL | ELEMENTS | QUALIFICATIONS | TIME |
|---|---|---|---|
| BEGINNER (Formerly Limited Beginner) | 1. Waltz jump<br>2. ½ jump of choice<br>3. Forward two foot or one foot spin (free leg position optional) – minimum 3 revolutions<br>4. Forward or backward spiral | Skaters may not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating Basic Skills free skate badge tests | 1:15 |
| HIGH BEGINNER (formerly Beginner) | 1. Toe loop jump<br>2. Salchow jump<br>3. Forward scratch spin – minimum 3 revolutions<br>4. Forward or backward spiral | Skaters may not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating Basic Skills free skate badge tests | 1:15 |
| No Test | 1. Loop jump<br>2. Jump combination to include a toe loop (may not use a loop or Axel)<br>3. Solo spin- sit or camel spin – minimum 3 revolutions<br>4. Spiral sequence- must include a forward and backward spiral. Additional spirals and balance moves may be included. | Skaters may not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating Basic Skills free skate badge tests, no official U.S. Figure Skating free skate tests passed | 1:15 |

## Free Skate Events

Skaters may enter EITHER the new test track free skate program or the well-balanced track free skate program but NOT both during the same non-qualifying competition. Competitors will skate to music of their choice, vocal music permitted.
Deductions WILL be made for skaters including technical elements not permitted in the event description.

- 0.1 from EACH mark for each technical element included that is not permitted in the event description.
- 0.2 from the technical mark for each extra or lacking element.
- 0.1 for any spin with less than required revolutions.

| LEVEL | Jumps | Spins | Steps | QUALIFICATIONS |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **BEGINNER [formerly Limited Beginner]** Time-1:30 +/- 10 | 1. **Maximum of 5 jump elements**<br>2. Jumps with not more than ½ rotation [front to back or back to front].<br>3. Max 2 jump sequences allowed.<br>4. Max 2 of any same jump | 1. **Max 2 spins**<br>2. Two upright spins, no change of foot or flying entry<br>3. Min 3 revolutions | 1. Connecting moves and steps should be demonstrated throughout the program. | May not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating Basic Skills free skating badge tests |
| **HIGH BEGINNER [formerly Beginner]** Time: 1:30 +/- 10 | 1. **Maximum of 5 jump elements**<br>2. Jumps with not more than ½ rotation [front to back or back to front including half-loop]<br>3. Single rotation jumps: Salchow and Toe Loop only.<br>4. Max 2 jump combinations or sequences<br>5. Max 2 of any same type jump | 1. **Max 2 spins**<br>2. Two upright spins, change of foot optional, no flying entry<br>3. Min 3 revolutions | 1. Connecting moves and steps should be demonstrated throughout the program | May not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating Basic Skills free skating badge tests |
| **WELL BALANCED FREE SKATE [U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook Requirements]** | | | | |
| **No Test** Time: 1:30 +/-10 | 1. **Maximum of 5**<br>2. Single Jumps [**NO AXELS**]<br>3. Max 2 combos or sequences **[Combos limited to 2 jumps}**<br>4. Number of jumps in sequence Limited to 3 [1/2 loop is not considered single jump] | 1. Maximum of 2 spins of a different nature<br>2. **Min. 3 revolutions**<br>3. Spins may change Feet and start with a Fly | 1. Connecting moves and steps should be demonstrated throughout the program | May not have passed any official U.S. Figure Skating free skate tests. |

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## Compulsory Events

- Skated on ½ of ice surface. In program form, using a limited number of connecting steps, skating order of required elements optional
- No music allowed
- The skater must demonstrate the required elements and may use any additional elements from previous levels.
- A .2 deduction will be taken **for each** element performed from a higher level
- *Skaters have the option to skate one level higher in compulsories than their free skate program*

| LEVEL | ELEMENTS | QUALIFICATIONS | TIME |
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| Pre-Preliminary | 1. Single Flip jump<br>2. Jump combination : single / single [**no Axel**]<br>3. Sit or camel spin – **minimum 3 revolutions**<br>4. Spiral sequence – **must include 1 forward and 1 backward spiral**. Additional spirals and balance moves may be included | May not have passed tests higher than U.S, Figure Skating pre-preliminary free skate test | 1:15 |
| Preliminary | 1. Lutz jump<br>2. Single / single jump combination [**may include Axel]**]<br>3. Back upright spin – **minimum 3 revolutions**<br>4. Forward Inside Spiral | Must have passed the U.S. Figure Skating pre-preliminary free skate test but may not have passed higher than preliminary free skate | 1:15 |

## Free Skate Events

Skaters may enter EITHER the test track free skate program or the well-balanced track free skate program but **NOT** both during the same non-qualifying competition. Competitors will skate to music of their choice, vocal music permitted.

Deductions WILL be made for skaters including technical elements not permitted in the event description.

- 0.1 from **EACH** mark for each technical element included that is not permitted in the event description.
- 0.2 from the technical mark for each extra **or** lacking element.
- 0.1 for any spin with less than required revolutions.

| TEST TRACK FREE SKATE | | | | |
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| **LEVEL** | **Jumps** | **Spins** | **Steps** | **QUALIFICATIONS** |
| **Pre-Preliminary**<br>Time: 1:30<br>+/- 10 | 1. **Maximum of 5 jump elements**.<br>2. Jumps with not more ½ rotation [front to back or back to front].<br>3. Single rotation jumps: Salchow, toe loop and loop jump **ONLY**<br>4. Max 2 jump combinations or sequences [using above jumps only]<br>5. Max 2 of any same type jump | 1. **Max 2 spins**<br>2. Two spins of a different nature, one position only, no change of foot, no flying entry.<br>3. Min 3 revolutions | 1. Connecting moves and steps should be demonstrated throughout the program | May not have passed tests higher than U.S, Figure Skating pre-preliminary free skate test |
| **Preliminary**<br>Time: 1:30<br>+/- 10 | 1. **Maximum of 5 jump elements**<br>2. Jumps with not more than one rotation **[no axels]**.<br>3. Max 2 jump combinations or sequences<br>4. Max 2 of any same type jump. | 1. **Max 2 spins**:<br>2. One spin in one position, no change of foot, no flying entry (3 revolutions min)<br>2. One consisting of a front scratch to back scratch, exit on spinning foot not mandatory (Min 3 revs on each foot). | 1. Connecting moves and steps should be demonstrated throughout the program | Must have passed the U.S. Figure Skating pre-preliminary free skate test but may not have passed higher than preliminary free skate |

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## Free Skate Events

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Deductions WILL be made for skaters including technical elements not permitted in the event description.

- 0.1 from **EACH** mark for each technical element included that is not permitted in the event description.
- 0.2 from the technical mark for each extra **or** lacking element.
- 0.1 for any spin with less than required revolutions.

| **WELL BALANCED FREE SKATE [U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook Requirements]** | | | | |
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| **Pre-Preliminary**<br>Time: 1:30<br>+/- 10 | 1. **Maximum of 5 jump elements.**<br>2. Single jumps – axel permitted – no doubles<br>3. Max 2 combos or sequences **[limited to 2 jumps]**<br>4.. Number of jumps in sequence Limited to 3 [1/2 loop not considered single jump], axel may be repeated as individual jump, combo or sequence [Max 2 axels]<br>5. Double or triple jumps not allowed | 1. Maximum of 2 spins of a different nature<br>2. Spins may change feet and start with a fly<br>3. **Minimum 3 revolutions** | 1. One step sequence utilizing ½ the ice surface<br>2. Straight line, circular or serpentine | May not have passed tests higher than U.S, Figure Skating pre-preliminary free skate test |
| **Preliminary**<br>Time: 1:30<br>+/- 10 | 1. Maximum of 5 jump elements:<br>2. 1 Axel or Waltz jump type jump<br>3. Max 2 combos/sequences - Combos limited to 2 jumps,<br>4. Number of jumps in sequence - Limited to 3 [1/2 loop not considered a single jump]<br>5. 2 different double jumps allowed (double Salchow, double Toe or double Loop only)<br>6. Axel and no more than 2 different double jumps may be repeated as individual jumps, combos, or in sequences.<br>7. Max of 2 Axels or any double jump | 1. Maximum of 2 spins of a different nature<br>2. Spins may change feet and start with a fly<br>3. Minimum 3 revolutions | 1. One step sequence utilizing ½ the ice surface<br>2. Straight line, circular or serpentine | Must have passed the no higher than U.S. Figure Skating preliminary free skate |

# Additional Events

### ARTISTIC/SHOWCASE EVENTS:

Artistic and Showcase events are open to skaters in Basic, Free Skate, Limited Beginner through Preliminary and Adult Bronze. Groups will be divided by number of entries and ages if possible. Skaters must enter at the same level as their free skate event or highest test level of skater's in the group ensemble or production number. If a free skate event is not being entered, skaters must enter at their current test level or one level higher. Vocal music is permitted.

Show costumes are permitted, as long as they do not touch or drag on the ice. Props and scenery must be placed and removed by unaided singles and duet competitors within one minute and by unaided ensemble contestants within two minutes for setup and two minutes for removal. A .2 deduction will be assessed by the referee against each judges' mark for each five seconds in excess of the time allowed for the performance, for handling props and scenery and for scenery assistance.

Performances will be judged from an entertainment standpoint, for theatrical and artistic qualities. Technical skating skills and difficulty will not be rewarded as such; however, skating must be the major element of the performance and be of sufficient quality to support the selected theatrical elements. Unintended falls, poorly executed skating elements and obvious losses of control will reduce contestant's marks. Jump difficulty is not rewarded in showcase; therefore jumps, if choreographed, should be performed with style, flow and confidence. Theatrical elements evaluated will include energy, poise, acting, pantomime, eye contact, choreography, form/extension and the use of props and ice.

6.0 Judging will be used. Deductions will be made for skaters including technical elements not permitted in the event description.

- For specific guidelines regarding the conduct of Showcase or Artistic competitions, refer to the
- Nonqualifying Showcase Guidelines posted on www.usfigureskating.org.

- Artistic/Showcase categories may include:
- Artistic Events: Showcase program utilizing emotional qualities from either dramatic or light entertainment or a combination of both.
- Dramatic entertainment: Showcase program utilizing intense emotional skating quality to depict choreographic theme.
- Light entertainment: Showcase program emphasizing such choreographic expressive qualities such as comedy, love and mime while incorporating skating skills.
- Duets: Theatrical/artistic performances by any competitors.
- Mini production ensembles): Theatrical performances by three to seven competitors. Production ensembles: Theatrical performances by eight to 30 skaters. Theater on Ice teams are eligible as production ensembles. NOTE: Skaters may enter only one each duet, mini production or production event.

**BEGINNER SPINS:**

No music on half-ice. Spins should be skated exactly as stated and in this order. Skaters will perform one spin at a time (no excessive connecting steps). Skaters will be given one opportunity to perform each spin. Groups will be divided according to Basic/Free Skate test level. Spins should be a minimum of three revolutions each.

**Basic Skills:** Forward pivot- either foot, Two foot spin, Forward one foot spin- optional free leg position.
**Free skate 1-6, Beginner:** Two foot spin, Forward one foot spin – optional free leg position, Sit spin.
**No-Test, Pre-Preliminary:** Forward Scratch spin, Backward one foot spin, Camel spin.
**Preliminary:** Forward Scratch spin, Backward one foot spin, Combination spin of choice- minimum two changes of position or foot.

**JUMPS:**

Entrants will qualify according to their free skate level, but may 'skate up' one level. All levels will be skated on ½ ice. Jumps should be performed exactly as stated. Skaters will be given two opportunities to perform each jump and will be judged on the best one. Repeated jumps must be the same as the original. The following format will be used: the first skater will take the ice and attempt the first jump twice, then attempt the second jump twice before going to the next skater. The repeat of each jump element must be the same jump(s) as the first when there is a choice. This procedure will be repeated throughout the event. Maximum time is 1 minute.

**Free Skate 1-6, Beginner:** Waltz jump; toe loop or Salchow.
**Pre-Preliminary:** Toe loop; combination of any two single.
**Preliminary:** Loop; combination of any two single jumps.

| LEVEL | ELEMENTS | QUALIFICATIONS | PROGRAM LENGTH |
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| Basic 1-8 | Elements only from Basic 1-8 curriculum | May not have passed any higher than Basic 8 level. | Time 1:00 Max |
| Free skate 1-6/ Limited Beginner/ Beginner/ Adult 1-4 | 3 jump maximum. ½ rotation jumps only, plus the following full rotation jumps: Salchow and toe loop. | May not have passed any official U.S. Figure Skating free skate tests. | Time: 1:30 Max |
| No Test/ Prepreliminary/ Adult Pre-Bronze | 3 jump maximum. No axels or double jumps permitted. | Must have passed no higher than U.S. Figure Skating Pre-Preliminary or Adult pre-Bronze free skate test. | Time: 1:30 Max |
| Preliminary/ Adult Bronze | 3 jump maximum. Axels are permitted, but no double jumps allowed | Must have passed no higher than U.S. Figure Skating Preliminary free skate or Adult Bronze test | Time: 1:40 Max |

**SKATE THE MOUNTAIN**

**Entry Form [PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY]**

Name _____ Age _____ **Birth Date** _____
Last First

**E-Mail Address** _____

Address _____ City _____

State _____ Zip _____ Area Code/Phone # _____

**Home Club** _____ **USFSA #** _____

Male _____ Female _____ Name of Parent/Guardian _____

| **$40 First Event** | | **$50 First Event** | |
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| **$20 Each Additional Event** | | **$20 Each Additional Event** | |
| **Basic Compulsory** | | **Compulsory** | |
| Snowplow Sam* | | Beginner * | |
| Basic 1 * | | High Beginner * | |
| Basic 2 * | | No Test * | |
| Basic 3 * | | **Free Skate** | |
| Basic 4 * | | Beginner * | |
| Basic 5 * | | High Beginner * | |
| Basic 6 * | | | |
| Basic 7 * | | **WELL - BALANCED** | |
| Basic 8 * | | **Free Skate** | |
| | | No Test * | |
| **Basic Prog w/ Music** | | | |
| Snowplow Sam* | | **Tests Passed**: | |
| Basic 1 * | | Freestyle: | |
| Basic 2 * | | | |
| Basic 3 * | | | |
| Basic 4 * | | | |
| Basic 5 * | | | |
| Basic 6 * | | | |
| Basic 7 * | | | |
| Basic 8 * | | | |

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| | | **Jumps Event** | |
| **Compulsory** | | Basic Skills | |
| Pre-Preliminary | | Beginner | |
| Preliminary | | Pre-Preliminary | |
| **Free Skate** | | Peliminary | |
| Pre-Preliminary | | | |
| Preliminary | | **Spins Event** | |
| | | Basic Skills | |
| **WELL - BALANCED** | | Beginner | |
| **Free Skate** | | Pre-Preliminary | |
| Pre-Preliminary | | Preliminary | |
| Preliminary | | | |
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| **Artistic Showcase** | | | |
| Basic Skills | | | |
| Beginner | | | |
| Pre-Preliminary | | | |
| Preliminary | | | |
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*Events listed above with an * after them will be eligible for Michigan Basic Skills Series Points*
*Entry Fees are not refundable after the entry deadline unless an event is cancelled.*
*If you are not a USFSA member add $15 to fee / enter through our Basic Skills Program*

First Event $ _____

Additional Event $ _____

Additional Event $ _____

Additional Event $ _____

Join USFSA $ _____

**TOTAL:** **$** _____

**ENTRIES MUST BE POST MARKED BY September 7, 2014**

Mail form and fees to: **Elite Skating Academy**
**PO Box 1141**
**Fenton, MI 48430**

Make check or money order payable **to: ESA**

Approval Code:SMM140927

**Certification of Competitor** Competitor Name:_____

The competitor is eligible to enter the events checked. It is agreed that the competitor and family hold the Elite Skating Academy hold harmless from any and all liability either during practice or the competition, from any and all liability for damages to or loss of property.

As a participant, or parent/guardian of a minor participant, in the Skate the Mountain/Basic Skills Series, I understand that the Skate the Mountain/Basic Skills Series, or its agents, may take photographs, video and/or film of my, my minor's and/or my family's involvement, participation, viewing or interaction at The Skate the Mountain/Basic Skills Series scheduled ice time, activities, classes or events. I hereby authorize the taking and use of such photographs, video, film or likeness of myself, my minor child (or children), and/or my family in all forms and media and in all manners, including composite or other representations, for any lawful and legitimate Skate the Mountain/Basic Skills Series purpose, including dissemination and distribution of the same; and further waive any right to approve or object to any finished, modified or derivative product or media

Parent/Guardian Signature_____Date _____

Club Officer/Program Director _____

Title_____Date _____

COMPETITOR SIGNATURE _____Date_____

**Have you already completed a Concussion Form at a previous series event?** ☐ Yes ☐ No

Coach Signature: _____ Print Name: _____
Please print clearly

Are you registered on USFS Coaches Registry for 2013-2014? Yes ☐ USFS #_____
If you are not registered, go to www.usfigureskating.org , click on the Coaches Registration button and follow the instruction for registration.

**COACHES WILL BE REQUIRED TO CHECK IN AT REGISTRATION AT EACH EVENT**

Phone _____ E-mail Address:_____
Please print clearly

**CHECKLIST *[please be sure the following is included]*:**

____ Entry form with USFSA Number ____Club Officer/Program Director Signature

____Check payable to **ESA** ____ Events to be entered checked properly

# NEW LOCATION & DATE CHANGE

## MICHIGAN BASIC SKILLS SERIES CAMP
## PARENTS EDUCATION SEMINAR
## JUNE 22, 2014

**FARMINGTON HILLS ICE ARENA**
**35500 WEST EIGHT MILE ROAD**
**FARMINGTON HILLS, MI 48335**

This camp is opened to anyone 14 years or younger. Basic Skills skaters up to the Preliminary Free Skate test are eligible for this camp. Camp includes on & off ice instruction. The camp is in the process of a revision. Details to follow.

Parents Education Seminar will also be revised. The seminar for the Parents includes; Understanding U.S. Figure Skating, Being a Supportive Skating Parent, Understanding the Judges System, Outfitting your Skater and getting Involved in your local club.

For more information please contact Suzy Malloure malkidsx4@aol.com

# MICHIGAN BASIC SKILLS SERIES APPAREL
## pre-order form

**FRONT**- one color Series Logo

**BACK**- one color state map with each series event marked with a star!

**Tie-Dye T-shirt: $14**
**Hooded Tie-dye: $26**

**PRE-ORDER DEADLINES:**

**2/26/14 Pick up in Lansing Event #3**

**5/25/14 Pick up in Farmington Hills Event #11**

**10/14/14 Pick up in Midland Event #20**

**T-SHIRT sizes: YS(6/8) YM(10/12) YL(14/16) AS AM AL XL 2X (add $2)**
**HOODED sizes: YS(6/8) YM(10/12) YL(14/16) AS AM AL XL 2X (add $2)**

NAME_____
phone_____

**ITEM _____ SIZE _____**
**_____ PRICE _____**

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# Skate the Mountain Practice Ice

## Advanced Registration

Skater Name_____Level Competing_____

Home Club_____

Phone Number_____Email_____

Number of Practice Sessions_____ x $8.00 each  Total Enclosed $_____

Mail To:
Elite Skating Academy
PO Box 1141
Fenton, MI 48430

There will be several practice ices scheduled (Morning and Mid-Day).
Once the practice ice is finalized, you will receive a schedule by email. You will be able to select first and second choice of practice ice time by return email. Practice ice time will be issued on a first come first serve basis by return email. Please check your emails.

**There will be no refunds for prepaid practice ice sessions.**

If you have any further questions,
please contact Jacklinn Brayan, email: eliteskatingacademy@gmail.com
Thank you.