

CALALTA

FIGURE SKATING CLUB

2023–2024 Handbook

for

Pre–CanSkate & CanSkate

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Welcome to Calalta Figure Skating Club

Calalta is a non-profit, community-based skating club that operates out of Jimmie Condon. We strive to teach the magic of skating with quality, creativity and a strong technical standard. We thank you for choosing Calalta Figure Skating Club and look forward to another exciting and productive skating season with both our returning and new members.

Mission Statement

Calalta inspires excellence and the passion to skate.

Parent and Tot and Pre-CanSkate Program

This program introduces children to basic skating movements on ice. They will learn skating skills such as: balance, standing and forward march. Parent must have skating experience to help their skater as needed. Helmets and mittens/gloves are mandatory.

CanSkate Program

The objective of the Calalta CanSkate program is to teach children the skills of ice skating that will be the foundation for pursuing all ice sports such as figure skating, hockey, ringette or speed skating. The children are immersed in a positive and fun, environment where they constantly receive encouraging feedback from our qualified teaching team.

The program will help skaters' progress towards Calalta's Skate Canada Test and Competitive Programs. Achievement ribbons are given throughout the entire program.

Track your skater's progress through your registration account:

<http://calalta.uplifterinc.com/>

Log in with your email username and password

Select My Account from the top menu

Select skaters from the left side menu

Click on your skater

Select evaluations to view overall progress

What comes after CanSkate?

Pre-STAR Performance (Introduction to Figure Skating)

CanSkate Stage 4 or higher

- The Pre-STAR Performance program is suited for skaters who are in Stage 4 or higher in CanSkate and who wish to continue in group lessons.

GroupStar (passed CanSkate Stage 4 or higher)

- The GroupStar Skate program is best suited for skaters who have completed PSP, CanSkate 5 or higher, and is a more recreational program with a small time commitment.

Teen StarSkate

- This program is best suited for Pre-Teens and Teens who have completed CanSkate or with previous experience in Prestige Performance.

Prestige Performance Group

- The Bronze Prestige Performance program is best suited for skaters who have completed the Pre-Star Performance or STAR 1-2.

For more information regarding group programming, please visit www.calalta.net for the Groups at a Glance information sheet, or contact the office at info@calalta.net.

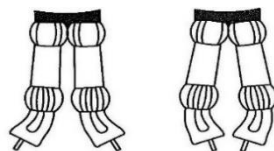
Skates and Gear

Skaters in the Pre-CanSkate to CanSkate Level 4 are allowed to use hockey or figure skates.

Figure skates are recommended for CanSkate level 4 and up.

To protect the skate blades, skate guards should be worn when in any area that is not protected by rubber mats. At the end of every session, the blades should be wiped with a dry cloth to prevent rusting.

Please ensure that all skates are sharpened regularly at least once a month. Hockey skates may be sharpened at any hockey skate specific store. Figure skates should be sharpened at either Professional Skate Service or The Skate Lab.



Poorly Equipped Skater



Properly Equipped Skater

Professional Skate Service (Marda Loop)

3515 18 Street SW Calgary 403-243-3663

The Skate Lab

7777 Macleod Trail SW Calgary 825-413-5786

Skaters will progress faster if they are properly and safely equipped.

Help your skaters to ensure that:

- Skates fit comfortably
- There is room for toes to wiggle slightly
- Heels do not lift inside the skate more than $\frac{1}{4}$ inch
- An adult finger can fit in the top of the boot when done up.
- Excess laces are tucked or tied up so that they do not hang loose or drag on the ice

Helmets

All skaters must wear a CSA approved helmet until they have passed their Stage 5 CanSkate badge. More information about helmets can be found in the Skate Canada Helmet Use Policy <https://info.skatecanada.ca/hc/en-ca/articles/201219410-Helmet-Use-Policy>

Attire

Please dress skaters appropriately. Sweats, track pants, snow pants and yoga pants are all good bottoms. Layers of long sleeve shirts, hoodies and vests allow for easy movement and warmth. Be sure to have a few pairs of mittens and gloves on hand. Items such as long drawstrings, scarves, dangling coat belts etc. can be a hazard on the ice and should be avoided.

Emergency Plan of Action

In case of a fire alarm, skaters will exit through the South East doors of the arena and into the parking lot. There is no time for guards etc., so they will unfortunately be concrete. Secondary exit if needed through the North doors at the back of the arena beside the Zamboni area. Parents are asked to proceed through the main south facing front doors to the exit, and then meet their children in the parking lot.

Liability Disclaimer

Calalta Figure Skating Club is not liable for personal injuries or loss of or damage to personal property. Each skater may decline to participate in any activity. Please inform your coach of any personal limitations you may have. If you have any doubt about your personal physical abilities, please consult your physician before participating.

Meet our CanSkate Coaching Team



JAIME-LYN JACKSON/Director of Group Programs

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Skating Accomplishments: Former “Disney on Ice “Professional Skater; Former National Competitive Senior Synchro Skater; Gold Dance, Gold Skills, Sr. Silver Free Skate elements

Coaching Accreditation/Education:

Certified Provincial Coach and can power certified. 16 years coaching experience. Analyze Technical & Tactile Performance Course, CanSkate University recipient. Developer and coach of Sectional, StarSkate champions and Alberta winter games medalist. Coach in both Competitive and StarSkate streams. Specialize in early development.

Certified CanSkate Coaches

Erin Harde

Cathy Sahaluk

Brad Hazelton

Erin Matheson

Mercedes Shields

Ashley Czypionka

Emma Forrester

Alyrra Lindsay

Samantha Thiessen

Jackson Behiel

Program Dates Winter 2024

Winter 2024	Monday	Wednesday	Friday	Saturday
CanSkate	4:45–5:30pm	4:45–5:30pm	6:15–7:00pm	10:00–10:45am
PreCanSkate	4:45–5:25pm	4:45–5:25pm	6:15–6:55pm	9:25–10:05 or 10:05–10:55am
January	15, 22, 29	17, 24, 31	12, 19, 26	13, 20, 27
February	5, 12, 26	7, 21, 28	2, 23	3, 24
March	4, 11, 18, 25	6, 13, 20, 27	1, 8, 15, 22	2, 9, 16, 23
April	1, 8	3, 10	5, 12	6, 13
Spring DATES TBD				

Winter 2024				Saturday
POWER Skating				5:15–6:15pm
January				13, 20, 27
February				3, 24
March				2, 9, 16, 23
April				n/a
Spring 2024 DATES TBD				

Winter 2024				Saturday
Adult/Teen Learn to Skate				9:30 – 10:00am
January				13, 20, 27
February				3, 24
March				2, 9, 16, 23
April				6, 13
Spring 2024 DATES TBD				

Winter 2024	Monday	Wednesday		
PreSTAR Performance	5:30–6:15pm	5:30–6:15pm		
January	8, 15, 22, 29	10, 17, 24, 31		
February	5, 12, 26	7, 14, 21, 28		
March	4, 11, 18, 25	6, 13, 20, 27		
April	1, 8, 15	3, 10, 17		
Spring 2024 DATES TBD				

Got a registration question? Email or call Natalie at the Calalta office at info@calalta.net or call 403–245–2425

On ice program questions can be directed to Jaime Lyn at Calaltagroupprogramsdirector@gmail.com

HAPPY SKATING!