

Calalta Figure Skating Club has a highly qualified team of professional coaches who work together to ensure that each skater achieves personal excellence. Our coaching team includes international level coaches in Singles, Pairs, and Dance. All of our coaches have been certified through the National Coaching Certification Program (NCCP) and abide by Skate Canada's Coaches' Code of Ethics.

The Calalta coaching team asks that all skaters and parents adhere to the Calalta Figure Skating Club policies and Skate Canada's Code of Ethics.



JAIME-LYN JACKSON – General Manager

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Skating Accomplishments: “Disney on Ice” Professional Skater; National Competitive Senior Synchro Skater; Gold tests, Adult 1 Synchro competitor.

Coaching Accreditation/Education: National in Training Coach, Trained Skate Canada Learning Facilitator, Canpower certified. 19 years coaching experience. Recipient of the National CanSkate University program, participant in the Challenge Coach Mentorship. Teaching grassroots to Gold/Novice level skaters. Coach of Sectional, StarSkate, AB Winter Games and Leading Edge champions and medalists. Diploma in Broadcasting, MRU. Majored in Psychology, U of L.

Coaching Venue: Monday through Saturday. Jimmie Condon (Mon-Sat). COP (Mon Days available: Monday to Saturday

Coaching Area of interest: Free skate and skills

Accepting new students: Yes

Coaching rate: \$16.00 per 15 minutes



KIM SLOPAK-WEEKS

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Skating Accomplishments: 7th Figure, Jr. Silver Free, Competitive Skating Skills Class 1. Diamond Dance Equivalency, Gold Free Dance, Sr. Competitive Dance Former National Team Member and International Competitor

Coaching Accreditation/Education: Certified National Coach / partial Level 4 Coached medalists at Skate Canada National Championships Calalta Competitive Ice Dance Program Manager Coached athletes from CanSkate to Senior level Coached competitive dance teams at an international level

Figure Skating Coaching Certificate from Seneca College

International Coaching Apprenticeship Program at 2024 World Championships 36 years coaching experience

Coaching Venue: Jimmie Condon & COP

Coaching Area of interest: Competitive Dance Teams, Dance, Skills, Stroking and Interpretive Choreography

Accepting new students: Yes, all levels and disciplines in September after I have confirmed who is returning

Coaching rate: \$18.50 per 15 minute lesson



BEN WESTENBERGER

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Skating Accomplishments: 2011 ISU World Championships Competitor

2011 ISU Four Continents Competitor

9-Time National Competitor in Canada and the United States

Coaching Accreditation/Education: National Coach in Training, Skate Canada Triple Gold Medalist. US Figure Skating Triple Gold Medalist in Ice Dance, Moves in the Field, and Free Dance. Coached skaters to National medals and ISU Junior Grand Prix events.

Coaching Venue: Jimmie Condon & COP

Days Available: Monday through Saturday

Coaching Area of interest: All disciplines. Specializing in Ice Dance, Choreography, and Skating Skills

Accepting new students: Yes, all levels and disciplines

Coaching rate: \$17.50 per 15minute lesson



Alexandra Young Palin

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Accomplishments

Principal Performer - Disney on Ice. Played the role of Barbie with former Calalta Skater, Eric Palin.

Principal Performer - Willy Bietak Productions on board Royal Caribbean ships Oasis and Allure of the Seas.

National Medallist in Pre-Novice and Novice Pairs.

Junior competitor in Singles & Pairs.

Coaching Accreditation/Education: Provincial Coach in Training

Specialist in Pairs, Performance & Singles




Coaching venue: Jimmie Condon and COP



Days Available: Monday to Saturday

Coaching area of interest: Singles, pairs and performance

Accepting new students: Yes, with Natasha Taylor

Coaching rate: \$16.00 per 15 mins

	<p>DONNA HALLATT dmgskating@shaw.ca</p> <p>Coaching Accreditation/Education: Certified National Coach NCCP level 2 Pairs and Dance NCCP level 1 Technical Gymnastics 37 years professional coaching experience 7 years jazz and ballet 11 years Ballroom, 4th in Canada at Canadian Ballroom championships 2018 I have taken skaters to Challenge & National in Freeskate and Dance</p> <p>Coaching Venue: COP and Jimmie Condon</p> <p>Days available: Monday to Friday afternoon COP & Wednesday after 4:00 pm Jimmie Condon</p> <p>Accepting new students: Yes</p> <p>Coaching Area of interest: Competitive Freeskate Technical</p> <p>Coaching rate: \$17.00 per 15 minute lesson</p>
	<p>CHANTELLE PORTZ</p> <p>Skating Accomplishments:</p> <p>Coaching Accreditation/Education: 27 years coaching experience Certified Provincial Coach, National Coach Trained, Level 3 (partial), CEP Gold Status, Certified CanPower</p> <p>Coaching Venue: COP</p> <p>Days available: Monday to Friday (JC Available for bookings)</p> <p>Coaching Area of interest:</p> <p>Accepting new students: Yes</p> <p>Coaching rate: \$17.00 per 15 minute lesson</p>
	<p>GREG FOLK (403) 245-0833 ghfolk@shaw.ca</p> <p>Skating Accomplishments: Skate Canada Triple Gold Medalist - National Medalist in Junior and Senior Singles & Senior Fours</p> <p>Coaching Accreditation/Education: NCCP Level 4 Certified NCCP Level 3 & 4 Course Conductor Certified Corporate Performance Coach Over 36 Years Coaching Experience Master Coach Rating by NCI, PSA(PSGA), and the FSCC Coach and Trainer of Provincial, Challenge and National Champions Coach and Trainer of International, Junior World and World Competitors</p>

	<p>Many time presenter and guest at National and International Skating Conventions and Conferences.</p> <p>Coaching Venue:</p> <p>Days available: As arranged or by appointment</p> <p>Coaching Area of interest: Jump and Spin Specialist</p> <p>Accepting new students: Yes</p> <p>Coaching rate: \$20.00 per 15 minute lesson</p>
	<p>LAURIE FINNEY (403) 462-9650 lauriejfinney@gmail.com</p> <p>Skating Accomplishments: Gold Figure, Gold Freeskate, Gold Dance Gold Free Dance, Gold Pairs. Former Alberta Senior Champion and National Competitor - Novice, Junior and Senior</p> <p>Coaching Accreditation/Education: 40 Years Coaching experience Coach & Trainer of Provincial Champions, Divisional Competitors, National & International Competitors, Coach & Trainer of Divisional, National, and International Medalist, Coach of Canada Winter Games Competitors Mentor Coach Level I, II and III Certified National Coach</p> <p>Coaching Venue: JCA Days available: 7 days a week</p> <p>Coaching Area of interest: All disciplines</p> <p>Accepting new students: Yes</p> <p>Coaching rate: \$18.00 per 15 minute lesson</p>
	<p>DANIELA SOVAK piruetads@hotmail.com 403-287-4144</p> <p>Skating Accomplishments: International competitor Professional ice show soloist/experience</p> <p>Coaching Accreditation/Education: National and International SC coach with 36 years of experience Chaired the "Learn to Train" stage of SC LTAD (Skate Canada Long Term Athlete Development) Doctor of Natural Sciences with specialization in human growth and development as related to physical activity. Ballet and music training</p> <p>Coaching Venue: Jimmie Condon and COP</p> <p>Days available: JCA Mon/Thu last evening session, Sat 1:45-3:15 pm, Sun 10:15-12:30 pm COP Mon/Wed/Fri am, Mon-Thu day ice</p> <p>Coaching area of interest: Beginners to Senior level competitive in Singles. Skating fundamentals, Skating Skills, off ice training and basic program choreography</p> <p>Accepting new students: YES</p> <p>Coaching rate: \$18.00 per 15 minutes</p>



Alison Bonney-Gregson

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Skating Accomplishments: Diamond Dance, Gold Freeskate, Novice Competitive Test, 7th Figure, Competitive Skating Skills Class 1 equivalency. Former PreNovice Ladies Champion, Alberta/NWT Sectional Championships

Coaching Accreditation/Education: Certified National Coach

NCCP Level 3 Trained Ice Dance

25 years coaching experience

Coaching philosophy:

I love passing the love and joy I feel for skating onto the next generation!!! The relationships that I build with the skaters as they strive to reach their potential in skating are so rewarding. The lessons skaters learn in the rink will serve them in their futures as the sport allows for them to learn discipline and the development of a strong work ethic, to build confidence and both mental and physical strength, as well as the experience to weather both the tough challenges and great accomplishments that the pursuit of their skating goals provides.

Coaching Venue: Jimmie Condon & COP

Days available: Monday to Saturday

Coaching Area of interest: Dance, Freeskate & skills

Accepting new students: Yes, all levels and disciplines

Coaching rate: \$17.00 per 15 minute lesson



Andrea St.Cyr

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Skating Accomplishments:

Gold Freeskate, Gold Dance, Gold Skills, Ten-Fox Variation, National Open Synchronized Skating Champion, Ballet and Jazz Background, Theater Calgary choreographer Coaching Accreditation

Coaching Accreditation:

26 years coaching experience

Certified National Coach Singles & Synchronized Skating Certified

CanPower Certified

National Level Synchronized Skating Teams

National StarSkate Dance Biathlon and Singles Champions

Coaching Venue: Jimmie Condon Arena

Days Available: Tuesday and Thursday

Coaching Area of Interest: All disciplines-Freeskate, Dance, Skills, Artistic and Synchronized Skating

Accepting New Students: Yes

Coaching Rate: \$16.00



CATHY SAHALUK
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Skating Accomplishments: 6th Figure, Sr. Bronze Free Skate, Gold Dance, Ten Fox Variation and Bronze Rhythm Dance

Coaching Accreditation/Education: 50 years coaching experience, Mentor Coach level 1, Certified Provincial Coach, level 3 in training

Coaching Venue: Jimmie Condon

Coaching Area of interest: All disciplines

Accepting new students: Yes

Coaching rate: \$14.00 per 15 minute lesson



PAUL THOMAS
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Skating Accomplishments: Former world! European! and British Ice Dance Champion. Silver medalist two previous years in all three championships.

Coaching Accreditation/Education: Senior Instructor with 43 Years Coaching experience. National Competitive Singles and Dance Coach of National Medalists, Coach of Canada Winter Games Competitors Certified National Coach, partial level 4.

Coaching Venue: Jimmie Condon

Coaching Area of interest: All disciplines

Days available: Mon to Fri

Accepting new students: Yes

Coaching rate: \$17.50 per 15 minute lesson



Kevin Lee
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Skating Accomplishments: Alberta Provincial Champion in Men's Singles
Competed in Canada

Chinese Taipei National Champion

Trained in Calgary and in Los Angeles with U.S. National and world-class coaches and competitors

Gold Skills, Gold Level Dance

ISU Assistant Event Coordinator and Chief Announcer at the 2006 ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating Final and at the 2016 Four Continents Figure Skating Championships

Coaching Accreditation/Education: NCCP National Coach (Partial)
NCCP Certified Provincial Coach

Coach competitive skaters in Calgary and in Los Angeles
ISU Technical Judging System course certificate
BCom Degree in Accounting (Haskayne School of Business, University of Calgary)
Coaching venue: COP and Jimmie Condon
Days Available: Mon-Fri at COP and Sat at JCA
Coaching area of interest: Competitive Freeskate – all levels beginner to competitive, Skills, Dance
Accepting new students: Yes
Coaching rate: \$17.00 per 15 minute lesson



Mercedes Shields

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Skating Accomplishments: Competitive singles skater for 10 years
Attended multiple Skate Canada AB/NWT/NUN Sectional Championships
Skate Canada Challenge Competitor, Skate Canada Team Alberta member
Competed across Canada, as well as American competitions.
Former Senior Women free skate competitor, Gold free skate, Senior silver skills and Senior silver dance
Coaching Accreditation/Education: NCCP Provincial Coach Certified. Currently attending University for a bachelor's degree in Psychology
5 years coaching/program assisting experience
Coaching venue: Jimmie Condon
Days Available: Monday-Saturday
Coaching area of interest: Free Skate
Accepting new students: Yes
Coaching rate: \$13.00 per 15 mins



Natasha Purich

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Skating Accomplishments: International competitor in both singles and pairs skating.

- Canadian pairs alternate for the 2014 Olympic Games
- Canadian junior pairs champion
- Junior world alternate in singles
- 5th junior worlds in pairs 2012
- 2011 junior Grand Prix medalist -Junior Pairs Grand Prix final competitor
- multiple medals in single nationals including Pre-Novice ladies national champion, Canadian record in novice ladies at challenge, Novice ladies national silver , Junior ladies 4th (while competing both disciplines).
- Gold FreeSkate, Gold Dance, Gold Skills

Coaching Accreditation/Education:

- Provincial coach trained status,
- Experience in both singles and pairs
- Personal training certification which I re- certify every 2 years.
- Currently attending university in health sciences
- 5 years coaching on-ice/ 8 years off ice training

Coaching venue: Jimmie Condon & COP

Days Available: Monday-Sunday

Coaching area of interest: Free Skate & Pairs

Accepting new students: Yes

Coaching rate: \$14.50 per 15 mins