

FIGURE SKATING CLUB OF SOUTHERN MARYLAND - FSCSM



Welcome to January

Happy New Year! The month of January is named for the Roman deity Janus, the god of beginnings and endings. Janus is often shown with two faces, one looking to the past and the other to the future. In the same vein, FSCSM is reflecting upon what we have accomplished over the past few months, with a promise of more to come. We want to hear from you, so if you have questions, comments, or suggestions, please reach out to us at fscsouthernmaryland@gmail.com.



FSCSM Shout-outs!

Happy Birthday to our club members!

Kolbi - January 1
Sophie - January 2
Nicole - January 4
Timothy - January 21

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Looking for a club home? Join us! Visit [fscsm.org/join](https://www.fscsm.org/join) for more information.

Congratulations to all of our club members and guest performers for an amazing and successful Holiday Spectacular on Ice in December, our largest one yet! Holiday show photos are available [here](#).

Club Membership Prices to Increase



UPCOMING EVENTS

FSCSM's club membership prices will increase as of March 31, 2023. The price increases reflect recent market trends and allow us to improve services and offerings to our members. If you've been on the fence about joining FSCSM, there is no better time than the present to lock in lower rates. Learn more about our membership changes and benefits [here](#).

New Feature – It Could Be You!



Starting next month, FSCSM would like to feature club members in our monthly newsletters. Club members will be chosen at random and contacted around the 20th of each month with additional information and requirements. Parents will need to give permission for minor club members to be featured. Stay tuned – the first featured club member could be you!

Did You Know?



Photo: Jason Persaud, [CentralPark.com](https://www.centralpark.com)

A skating craze swept over the United States in the years before the Civil War. Technical innovations that allowed skates to be clipped onto shoes made ice skating affordable, and it was among the few recreational activities that was socially acceptable to do in mixed company. **After its 1858 opening, the frozen pond at New York's Central Park drew as many as 30,000 people a day and made ice skating a fashionable pastime.**

Source: [History.com – How Figure Skating Originated—and Became a Winter Olympics Favorite](https://www.history.com/stories/how-figure-skating-originated-and-became-a-winter-olympics-favorite)

January 2023

1/29: 2023 National Skating Month Open House 12:00pm-5:00pm @ Canal Park Ice Rink - [Details and registration](#)

February 2023

2/10: Sweetheart Skate 8:30pm-10:00pm @ Capital Clubhouse - *link and details will be shared by FSCSM via email*

2/20: DISC & FSCSM Joint Test Session 8:00am-12:00pm @ Fort Dupont - *link and details will be shared by FSCSM via email*

2/26: \$100 Non-refundable registration deposit for Spring Ice Show due - [Register](#)

March 2023

3/5 - 3/11: Club member presale seat tickets for Spring Ice Show participants

3/12 - 3/18: Club member presale seat tickets for Spring Ice Show volunteers

3/19: General seat ticket sales for Spring Ice Show begin

April 2023

4/12: Remaining balance for Spring Ice Show due - *invoices will be sent from FSCSM*

4/15: Photo shoot for Spring Ice Show cast 1:00pm @ Capital Clubhouse

4/27 - 4/30: Skating Through the Decades Spring Ice Show @ Capital Clubhouse

May 2023

5/7 - Cast Party for Spring Ice Show Skaters 10:00am-12:00pm @ Sky Zone Trampoline Park - [Details and registration](#) - **RSVP by April 12**

All About the Spring Ice Show – Skating Through the Decades

The spring ice show – Skating Through the Decades – is taking place very soon. There is a lot of information about the show to cover, so we are dedicating this month's feature article to just that. We apologize in advance, as this month's newsletter will be longer than usual to accommodate the extra information. For any additional information or questions, please contact:

- Chanel Hicks, Capital Clubhouse Skating Director, skatingdirector@capitalclubhouse.com
- Figure Skating Club of Southern Maryland, fscsouthernmaryland@gmail.com

Beginning on **January 22**, an FSCSM representative will be at LTS weekly to help with registration, presales, submitting skater information forms, and answering any questions.

Show Dates and Times

This year the ice show will take place over four days, from April 27-30, including the rehearsal. The show dates and times are as follows:

- Thursday, April 27 (rehearsal) – 5:00pm arrival, 6:00pm start time
- Friday, April 28 – 6:00pm show
- Saturday, April 29 – 1:00pm show, 6:00pm show
- Sunday, April 30 – 2:00pm show

Each show will run for approximately 2 ½ hours, including one intermission.

Registration

Registration for all non-LTS participants is now available here. Note: LTS participants are automatically enrolled through their LTS class.

A **\$100 non-refundable registration deposit** for participation in the spring ice show is due by **February 26**.

The remaining balance is due on **April 12** and will be based on each individual skater's selections:

- Show registration (non-refundable deposit, one main group costume, video link for download): \$165

Additional performances for purchase:

- Opening performance (Basic 6 level and above): \$40
- Finale (All skaters): \$40
- Lyrical group (Open to Pre-juvenile Moves in the Field or higher, no jumps required): \$40
- Soloist: \$25 (Fee only required for soloists who are not in a main group performance)

Note that soloists or group performers outside of the Opening, Finale, or Lyrical Groups are responsible for covering the cost of their costumes. The Skating Director is happy to work with these skaters to find appropriate costumes for the song theme. Skaters will be provided an itemized invoice for the remaining balance for payment by April 12.

Presales

From March 5-11, FSCSM club members who are skating in the show will be able to purchase on-ice seating at a discounted price. These skaters can purchase up to four (4) tickets in rows 1-2 for half price and can select specific seats. The tickets can be for any show (or combination of shows), but only four half price tickets can be purchased during the presale.



All About the Spring Ice Show – Skating Through the Decades (cont'd)

From March 12-18, show volunteers will be able to purchase on-ice seating at a discounted price. These volunteers can purchase up to two (2) tickets in rows 3-4 for half price. The tickets can be for any show (or combination of shows), but only two half price tickets can be purchased during the presale.

Note that if a volunteer has a child in the show, they will only be able to choose one of the discounted seat price options – either the four tickets allowed for club members skating in the show, or the two tickets allowed for volunteers. To make our show a success, each skater participating in the spring ice show must have at least one parent volunteer to help. Please see the Skating Director for needed volunteer positions.

General public ticket sales will begin online on **March 19**.

Programs, flowers, and t-shirts will also be available for presale until **April 12**. All presales will be conducted in person at Capital Clubhouse. After April 12, these items will be available online only for a higher price. The presale and regular prices per item are listed below.

| Item | Presale Price | Item | Regular Price |
|----------------------------------|---------------|----------------------------------|---------------|
| On-ice seating – Row 1 | \$15 | On-ice seating – Row 1 | \$30 |
| On-ice seating – Row 2 | \$12.50 | On-ice seating – Row 2 | \$25 |
| On-ice seating – Row 3 | \$10 | On-ice seating – Row 3 | \$20 |
| On-ice seating – Row 4 | \$10 | On-ice seating – Row 4 | \$20 |
| Balcony seating | \$15 | Balcony seating | \$15 |
| Program | \$10 | Program | \$15 |
| Flowers – Single rose | \$5 | Flowers – Single rose | \$5 |
| Flowers – Bouquet | \$10 | Flowers – Bouquet | \$15 |
| T-shirt – Short sleeve | \$18 | T-shirt – Short sleeve | \$20 |
| T-shirt – Long sleeve | \$23 | T-shirt – Long sleeve | \$25 |
| T-shirt – Add name to one sleeve | \$2 | T-shirt – Add name to one sleeve | \$2 |



Practices and Photo Shoot

The first practice for the Opening and Lyrical Group will be held on **February 18**. The first full practice, including LTS, will be held on **February 26**.

The photo shoot will be held on Saturday, **April 15**, beginning at 1:00pm. Skaters should arrive in full costume, hair, and makeup for photos.

Additional information and reminders for the above will be sent closer to the date.

Cast Party

FSCSM would like to host a cast party as a special "Thank You" to our club members participating in the Skating Through the Decades spring ice show. Join us on Sunday, **May 7**, 10:00am-12:00pm at Sky Zone for 2 hours of jumping, pizza, drinks, and sweets. RSVP by **April 12**. Details and RSVP are available [here](#).

We realize this is a lot of information, and there will be more coming! But remember that beginning January 22 an FSCSM representative will be at LTS to help with registration, presales, submitting skater information forms, and to answer any questions. We're looking forward to making this our best spring ice show yet!