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## Alpharetta Welcomes Top Figure Skaters To 2021 Atlanta Open

*Four-day figure skating competition at The Cooler, June 16-19*

**ALPHARETTA, GA - (June 7, 2021)** – The [2021 Atlanta Open](#) hosted by the [Atlanta Figure Skating Club](#) will be held at The Cooler Family Skate Center on June 16- 19, 2021. The event will draw nearly 400 skaters from all over the U.S. to compete in multiple figure skating events including Solo Dance, Pairs Skating, Couples Ice Dance and Singles in well balanced and Excel levels starting from Beginner all the way up to Senior and Adult levels.



This figure skating competition is called “Atlanta Open” because it is open for any domestic or foreign skater who is current member and in good standing with their federation. It is a qualifying event for the Solo Dance Series and skaters achieve points with high scoring athletes advancing to the Solo Dance National Final. This year’s event has garnered even wider attention as the Atlanta Figure Skating Club (as a local organizing committee) has been invited to host the 2022 U.S. Figure Skating Championship Series presented by Toyota at The Cooler in Alpharetta, GA, November 17-20, 2021.

45 experienced, high level judges will officiate the competition. Each skating event will award placements 1-4 and the winners will receive a medal. The late Olympic official and Life Member Susan Johnson will be honored by rewarding an intermediate high scorer with annual Susan Johnson Award. All results will be live through online posting on the Atlanta Figure Skating Club’s website: <https://www.atlantafsc.com>.

“We are proud to call The Cooler in Alpharetta Atlanta Figure Skating Club’s home rink,” said Atlanta Figure Skating Club President, Tea Junnila. “We have a long history of successfully hosting events with The

Cooler and Alpharetta is a wonderful host city as it has an abundance of restaurants, shops and entertainment that the Atlanta Open attendees can enjoy off the rink.”

The Atlanta Open is projected to attract not only the elite skaters but also parents, coaches and judges to Alpharetta. The event will draw participants to the city’s hotels, eateries, retailers and other tourism-related businesses.

“We love sharing our awesome city of Alpharetta with the Atlanta Open skaters, parents, coaches and judges,” said Janet Rodgers, President and CEO of the Alpharetta Convention and Visitors Bureau. “A competition of this nature in our destination creates an energy that rings through the entire city. Over the four-day event, Alpharetta will be host to many Atlanta Open visitors who will shop, dine, play and stay in our awesome community.”

While spectators will not be able to attend the 2021 Atlanta Open in person, the event will entirely be available via live stream. Viewing is free of charge with a link found on the Atlanta Figure Skating Club website during the event: <https://www.atlantafsc.com>.

### **About Atlanta Figure Skating Club**

The Atlanta Figure Skating Club is an enthusiastic group of over 350 members who are devoted to the advancement and promotion of figure skating as an art and a sport. We are one of the largest clubs in the country, celebrating our 60th anniversary in 2018. We are a member of U.S. Figure Skating, the governing body for the sport, which is recognized as such by the U.S. Olympic Committee and the International Skating Union.

### **Alpharetta Convention and Visitors Bureau**

The Alpharetta Convention and Visitors Bureau serves as the official Destination Marketing Organization for the city of Alpharetta, Ga. With so much to do, why not stay the weekend? Book a hotel stay at one of the Alpharetta’s 29 modern and upscale hotels directly at [www.awesomealpharetta.com](http://www.awesomealpharetta.com). Alpharetta was recently named “One of the South’s Friendliest Cities” by Southern Living Magazine and “One of the Best Places to Visit in Georgia” by Vacationidea.com.

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