



## **2013 GRADUATING SENIORS PROGRAM**

The Graduating Seniors Program was developed to recognize the achievements of those individuals graduating from high school who have made the commitment to continue their training in figure skating while pursuing their academic studies.

The purpose of this program is to honor and credit those qualified graduates for their achievements during their high school years through the presentation of a certificate to the skater during a school function or recognition opportunity.

To further applaud the achievements of the individuals awarded, U.S. Figure Skating will publish the names of the recipients on both the U.S. Figure Skating High School Programs webpage as well as in SKATING magazine.

The Graduating Seniors program was reintroduced in 2011, with the goal of encompassing a greater spectrum of athletes deserving of this honor. Recognition is proudly awarded on behalf of the Program Development Committee of U.S. Figure Skating to those high school graduates who meet the necessary application criteria.

In late spring following the application deadline and review process by U.S. Figure Skating, the Graduating Seniors certificates and award materials will be mailed directly to the applicant's house. At the same time, a letter describing the award and distinction will be sent to the listed point of contact at the athlete's school. Once the student receives his/her award materials, they are encouraged to take them to the school and to their point of contact at their school so that the award may be presented to him/her at an appropriate school function.

To be considered for this award, applicants must complete an online application on or before March 1, 2013. The application is available at: <http://fs12.formsite.com/USFSAIT/graduatingseiors/index.html>.

The Graduating Seniors Program consists of four level designations awarded within the program. Certificates will be awarded to individuals based upon the highest skating achievements during high school as noted on their application.

Questions regarding this program can be directed to Brenda Glidewell, U.S. Figure Skating programs Director, at [bglidewell@usfigureskating.org](mailto:bglidewell@usfigureskating.org) or 719.635.5200 x 436.



## **2013 GRADUATING SENIORS PROGRAM CERTIFICATE LEVEL CRITERIA**

### **PLATINUM LEVEL**

International competitor in singles, pairs, ice dancing, synchronized skating  
U.S. Championships competitor in singles, pairs, ice dancing at the novice, junior, senior levels  
U.S. Synchronized Skating Championships competitor at the novice, junior, senior levels

### **GOLD LEVEL**

U.S. Championships competitor in singles, pairs, ice dancing at the juvenile or intermediate level\*  
(\*Formally the U.S. Junior Figure Skating Championships)  
Sectional championships competitor in singles at the novice level or above  
U.S. Synchronized Championships competitor at the intermediate level  
Gold medalist in free skate, pairs, ice dancing and/or moves in the field

### **SILVER LEVEL**

Nation's Cup Theatre On Ice competitor  
Sectional competitor in pairs, ice dancing, synchronized skating at the intermediate level or above  
Regional championships competitor  
Dance tests passed at the silver through pre-gold levels  
Free skate, pairs, moves-in-the-field tests passed at the juvenile through junior levels

### **BRONZE LEVEL**

National Showcase competitor  
National Theatre On Ice competitor  
National Solo Dance Series Championships Competitor  
Dance tests passed at the preliminary through pre-silver levels  
Free skate, pairs, moves-in-the-field tests passed at the pre-preliminary through pre-juvenile levels

### **Graduating Seniors Program Application**

To be considered, skaters must complete an online application on or before March 1, 2013. The application is available at:

<http://fs12.formsite.com/USFSAIT/graduatingseniors/index.html>

**Application will be completed electronically, with final submission to:**

Brenda Glidewell, U.S. Figure Skating programs director

[bglidewell@usfigureskating.org](mailto:bglidewell@usfigureskating.org)

**DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION SUBMISSION IS MARCH 1**