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#### Featured Athletes





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#### Anastasia Zentveldt



My name is Anastasia Zentveldt, 8 years old and I live in the city of Alkmaar in the Netherlands.

I've started figure skating at the age of 7 at the L2SK8 group and after a couple of months I've been asked to join the competition group for the tryout months. After that month I was glad to become a member of the competition team of the AIJC.

My first competition season is just over and wat a great season it has been! I've took place at 4 competitions last year and every one I have stood on the podium. Two weeks ago we had a great Ice Show and it was a fantastic



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#### Anastasia Zentveldt

experience for me as wel!... I would like to continue figure skating as long as possible and perhaps become a champion! I'm also dreaming of the Olympics.

I'm a big fan of the Russian figure skater Aleksandra Trusova and often try to copy her on Photos Credits :: Own collection and PieturesNL

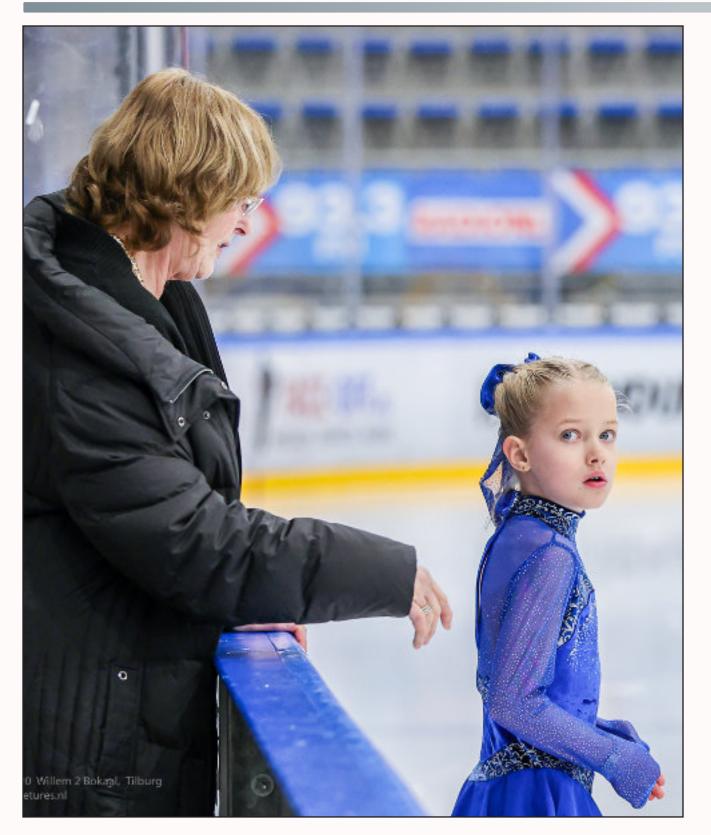
the ice.

I love figure skating and I've been really blessed with the opportunity to practice this wonderful sport!





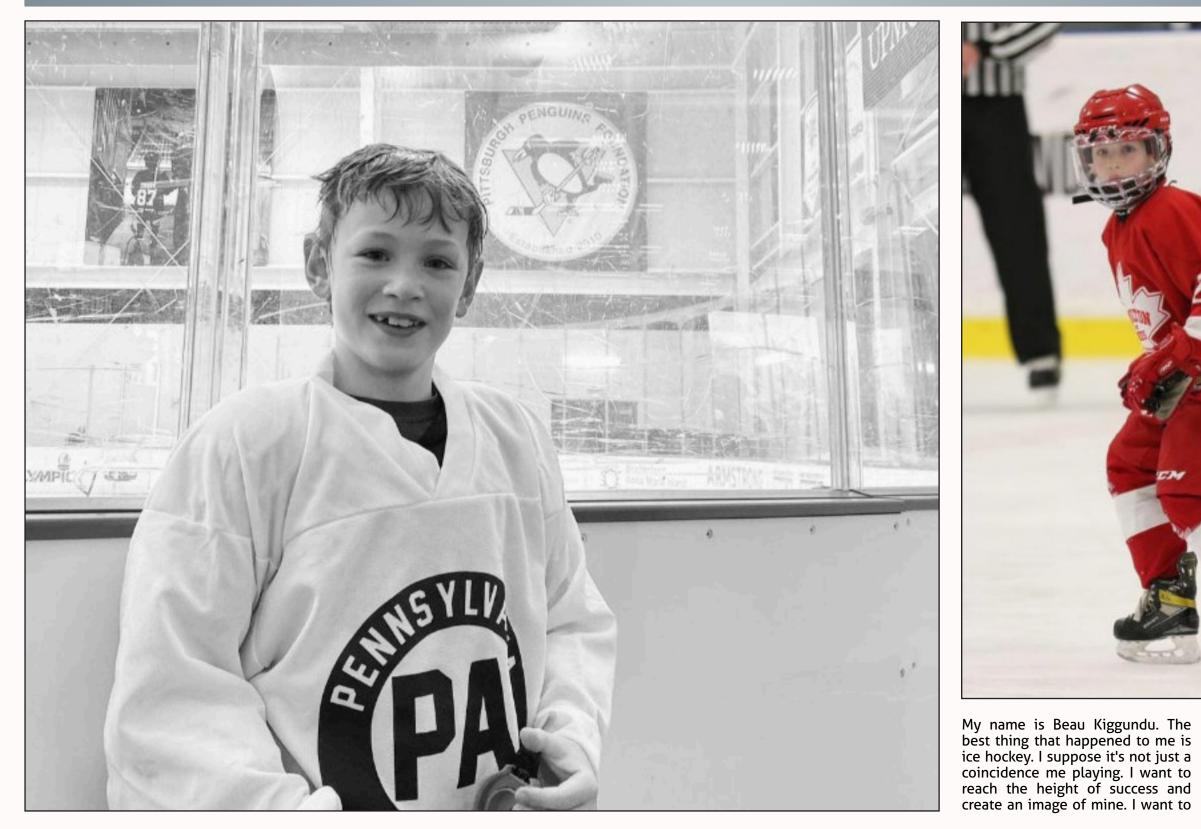
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#### Beau Kiggundu







be successful in life for which I am ready to put the required amount of hard work which I am already doing. It is just a matter of time of how long it takes me to reach my target. I am giving it all from my side.



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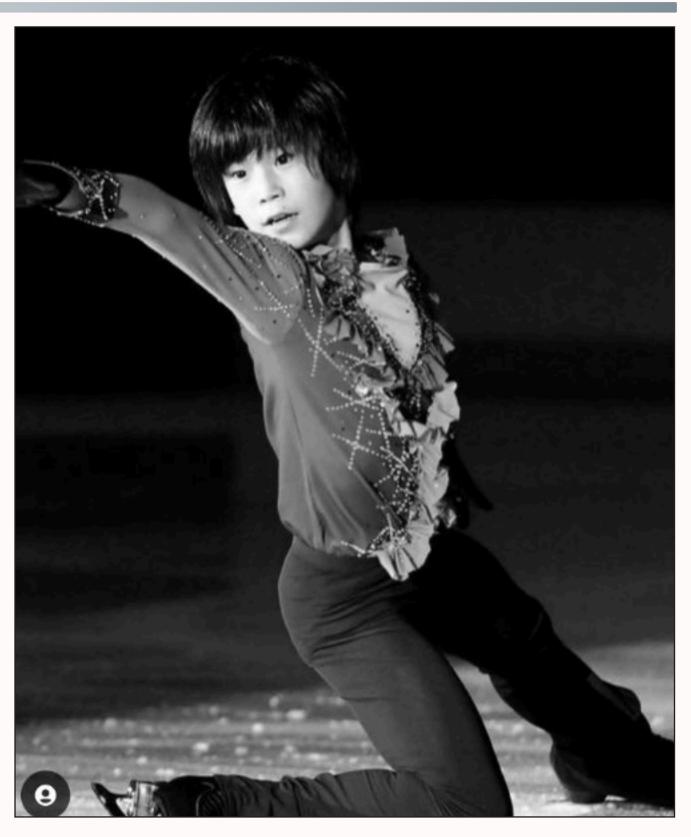
Achievements: 2023 pacific coast champion, 2022-2023 national development team

Dreams/goal:gold medal at olympics

Challenges: falling on jumps

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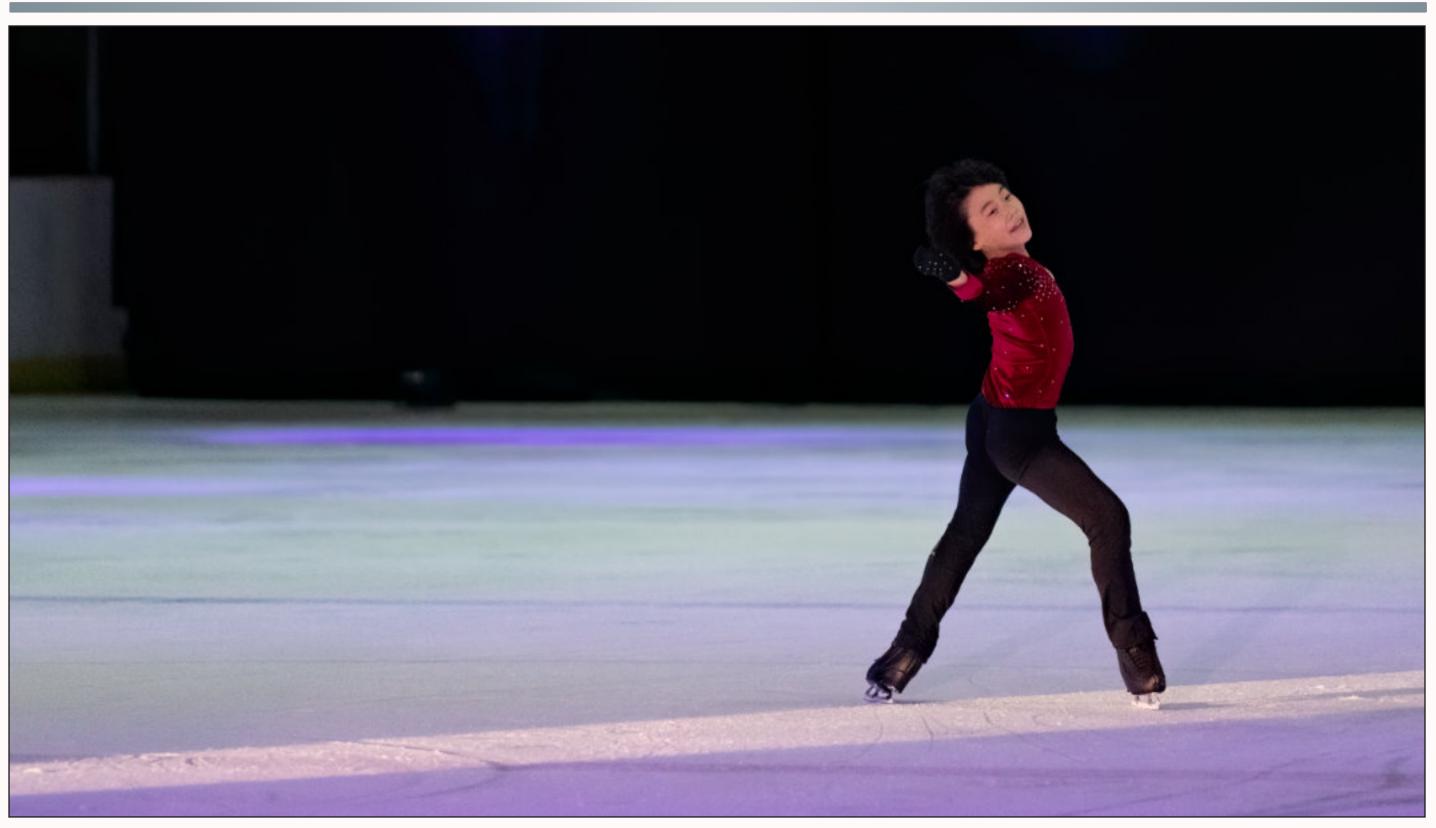
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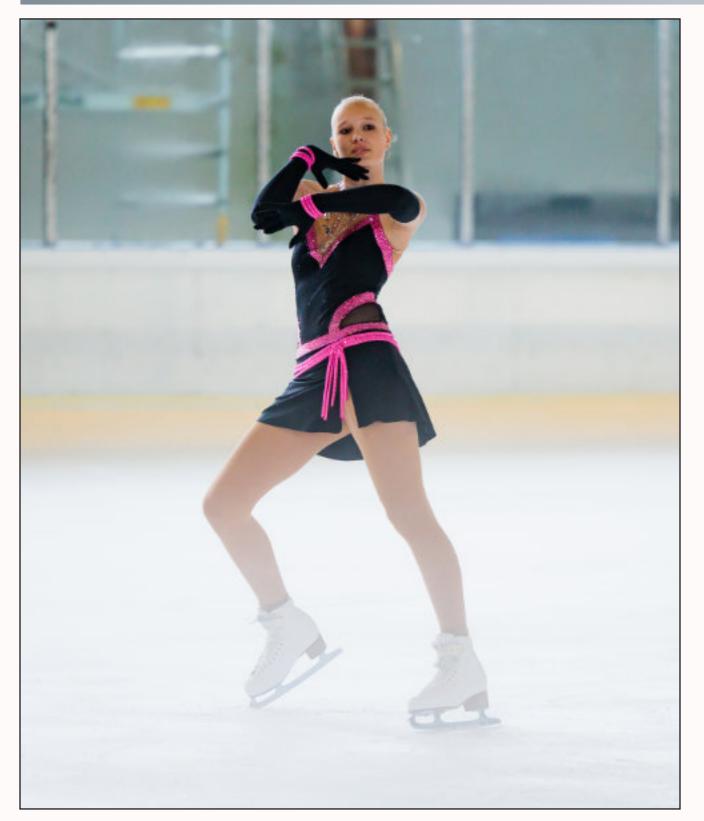


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#### Jorine Veurink



My name is Jorine Veurink and I am 15 years old. I live in Belgium but I am born in the Netherlands. I have always dreamt of figure skating but only had the opportunity to join a club at age of 10. I am skating for Die Swaene in Heist op den Berg in Belgium. I love to skate on my home-rink but train wherever there is ice available. I started competition at age of 12. For figure skating this is pretty late, but I have been training hard and a lot of hours to make up the time.

Ever since I started I have been very motivated and enjoy every single minute on the ice. Unfortunately the Covid pandemic hit hard. We all lost precious time in training and competing. But last season 2021/2022 was for me personally a important year. I have reached my goals, actually beyond what I could have dreamt off, during last season. this was only possible with a great coaching team and my example & personal coach Annemie De Preter, I am proud to have won actually some Bcompetitions and have become B-Champion in the Basic Novice level. This year I will start as a B-Intermediate Novice level skater and my ambition will be to train to progress to the Advanced Novice level. I would love to start working on 2A and some triples, it would be a dream to come true if I can achieve this in the future. Beyond training and competing you will find me at the local rink to work; giving training @DSHour club, giving lessons for the





#### Jorine Veurink

start to skate sessions but also to work at the rink cafeteria. Lessons need to be payed-right?!:-).Just kidding. I love to skate with all the little ones. They inspire and motivate me. Their smile make me smile.

This year I will also start with a first trainer course. To get more insight on how to teach and how to bring across technique and skating skills.

I hope to be a example for every skater that wants

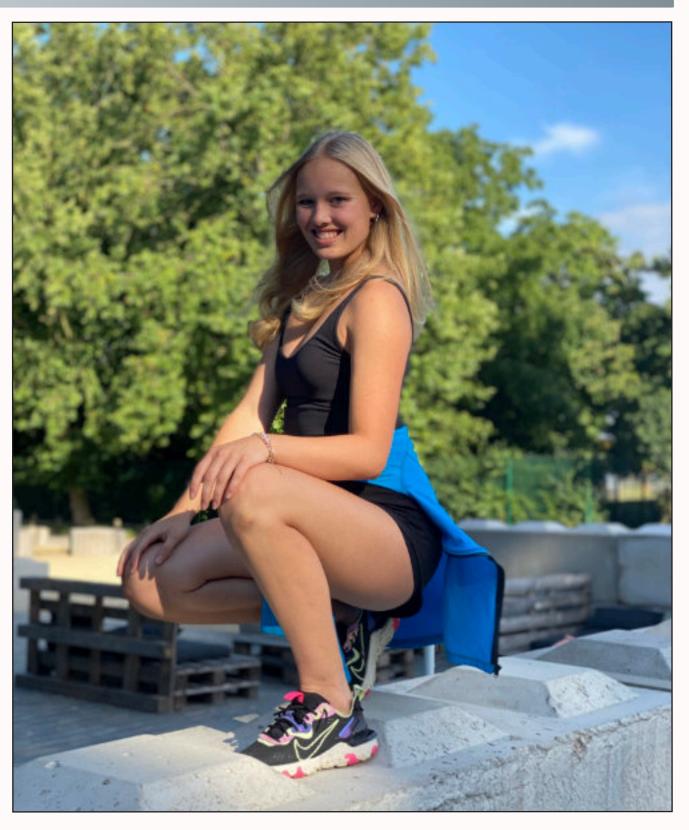
to start but doubts if they can succeed. If you ENJOY IT your are successful no matter if you win or lose, equal at what level or age you are!!

Just step on the ice & smile and practice. I love it & will continue to share my passion.

xx Jorine

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#### Marcus Botha





My name is Marcus Botha. I am 11 years old. I live in Carolina, USA. My dad is my biggest inspiration. Whatever I have learned so far is just because of him. I'll always be grateful to

him. Long ago, I have also won the Ancaster Avalanche in 2019. In the all star challenge, I was fastest skater ball cap. My coach also plays in important role in improving my game.He keeps



making me better every passing day. My teammates and my brother is also an integral part of my game and i am thankful to them as well.

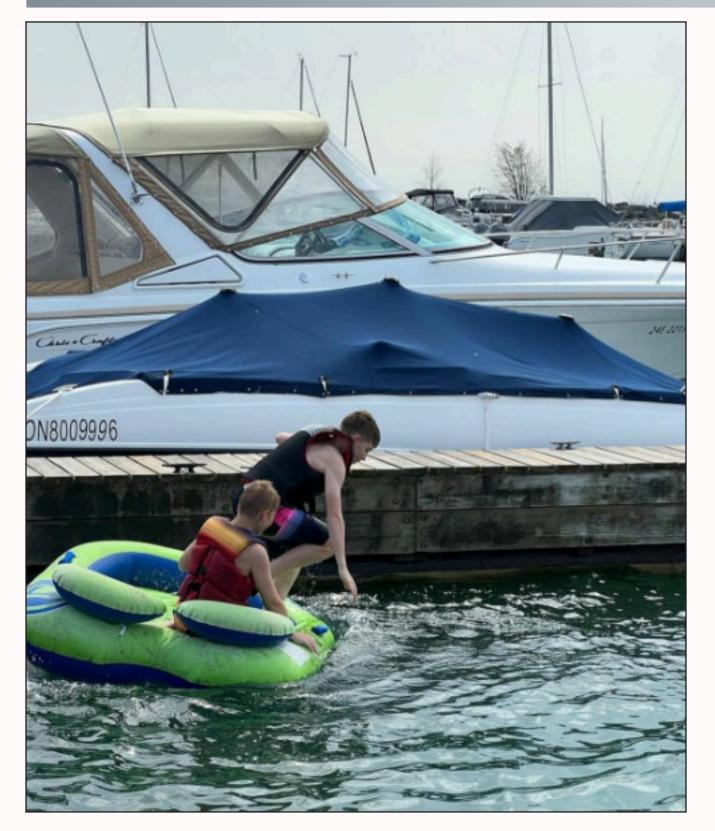
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#### Mike Russo



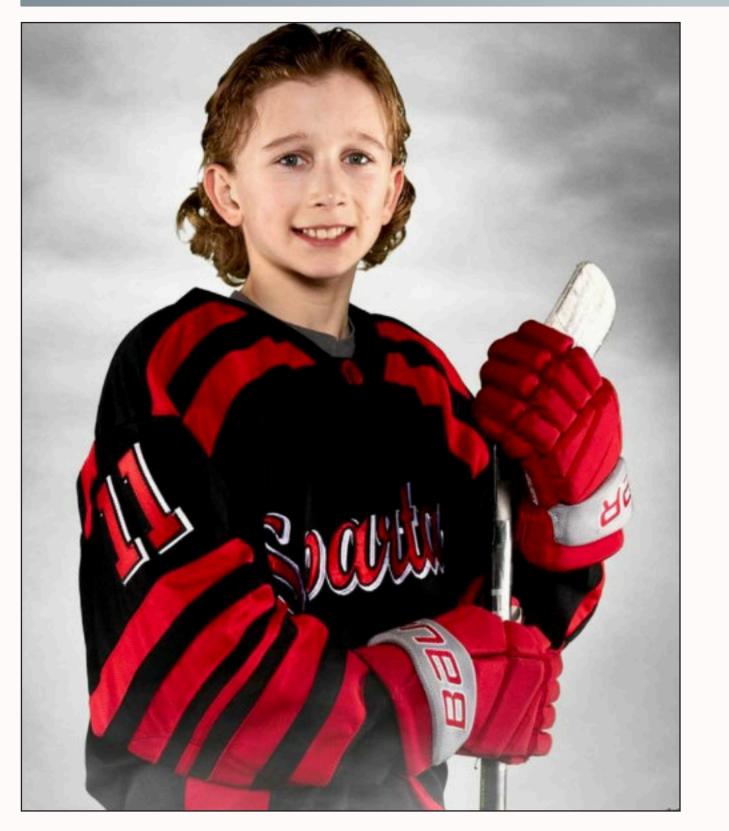


My name is Mike Russo. I love to in action all the time. That's the only thing I can do without getting bored. It fascinating to see how kuch politeness is there in the game, at the same time, opponent robs you. This is something to learn for me. Apart

from regular training, I guess, luck is required to favour me as well. I just want to play and keep having fun. Doesn't matter if I am sick, bored or something else, I'll keep waiting for the game.



#### Mike Russo







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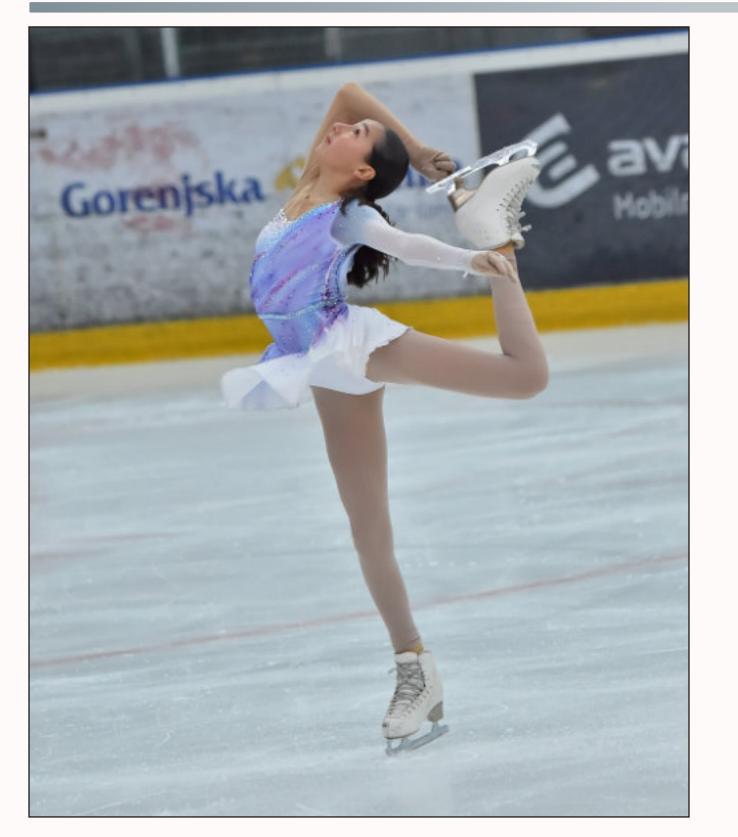


My name is Muriel Nava Gutierrez, and I was born in a small town called "Metepec", México l remember that my first experience was when I was 4 years old, when my parents took me to the ice rink at mall, because my sister was in figure skating class, and one day I asked to my parents if I can get in until my sister finish her lesson, then there it was my first experience, and it was "Awesome" because the sensation was like "flying", you know, the gliding with skates, the cold air around you face, there no words to describe that feels was so good, and I was determinate to coming back soon. Since that day I was unstoppable, because every time that I go there I enjoy to skate "It feels Great", every moment that I put play to the music in every practice and at the competitions try to do the best of me, I love to express my feelings dancing in the ice.

Someday I would like to be a professional Skater and compete where my Federation chooses me to represent my country. One day I would like to be on Junior Grand Prix Competition, but until I get it I'm still building my dreams. My favorite phrase is "- "If you dream it, you can achieve it"- Disney

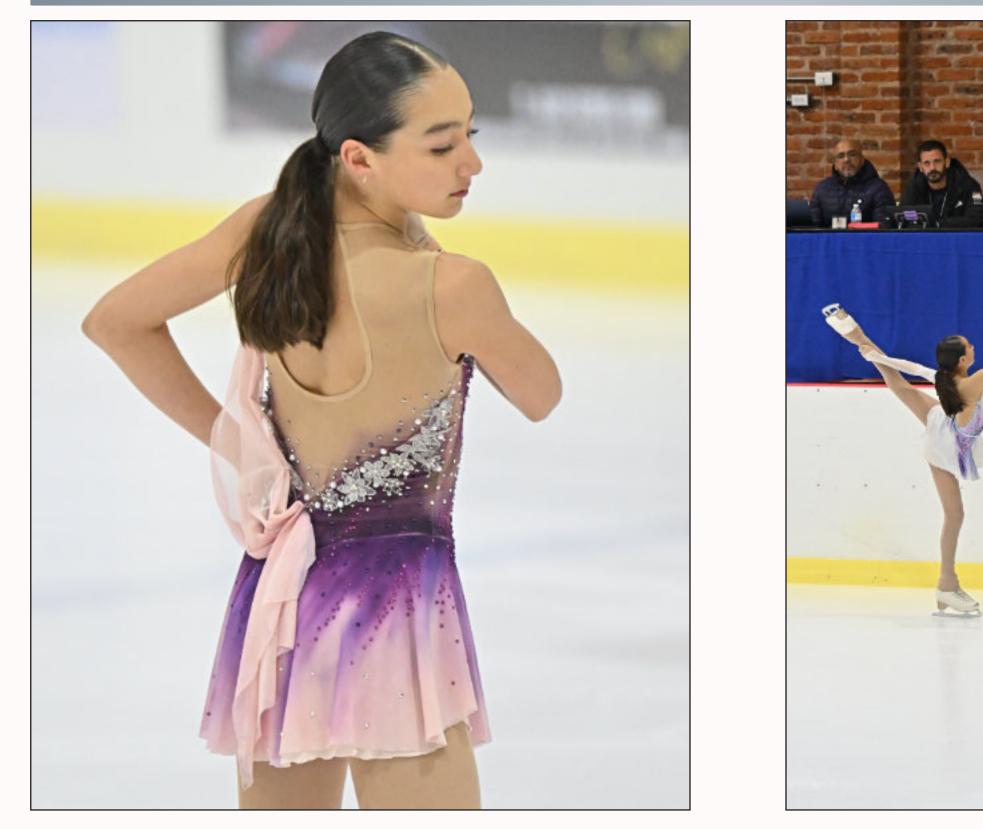
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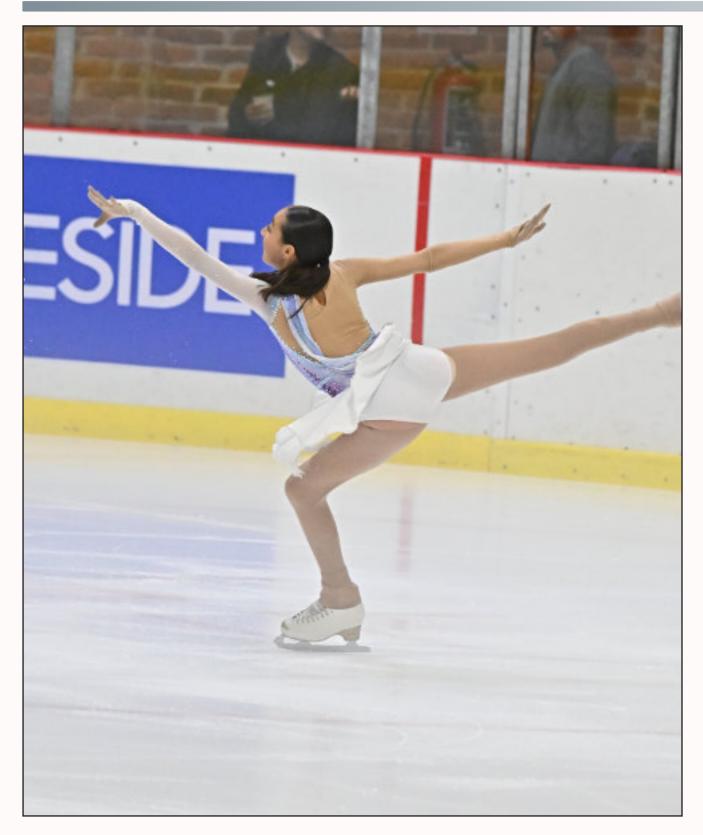


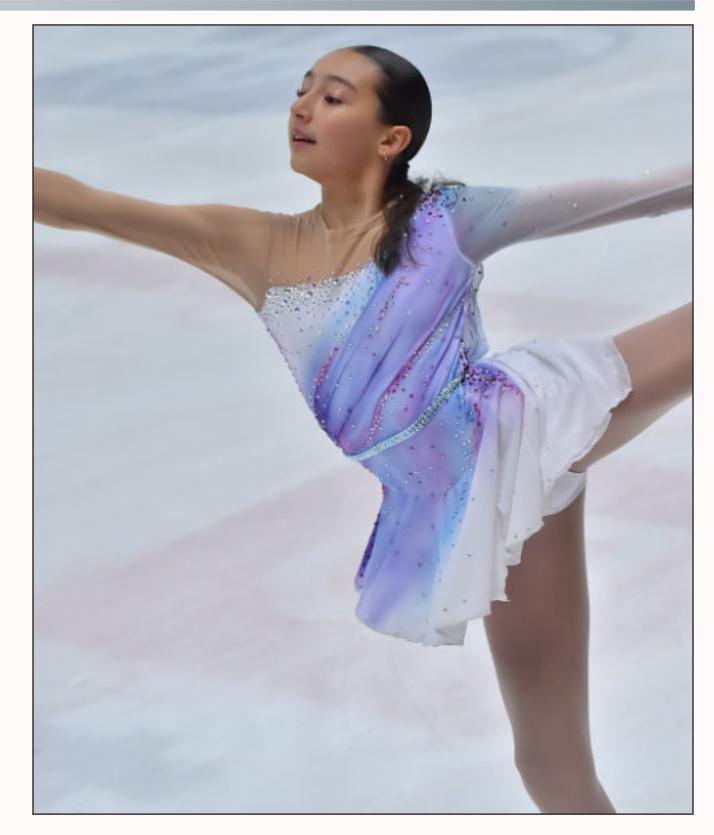




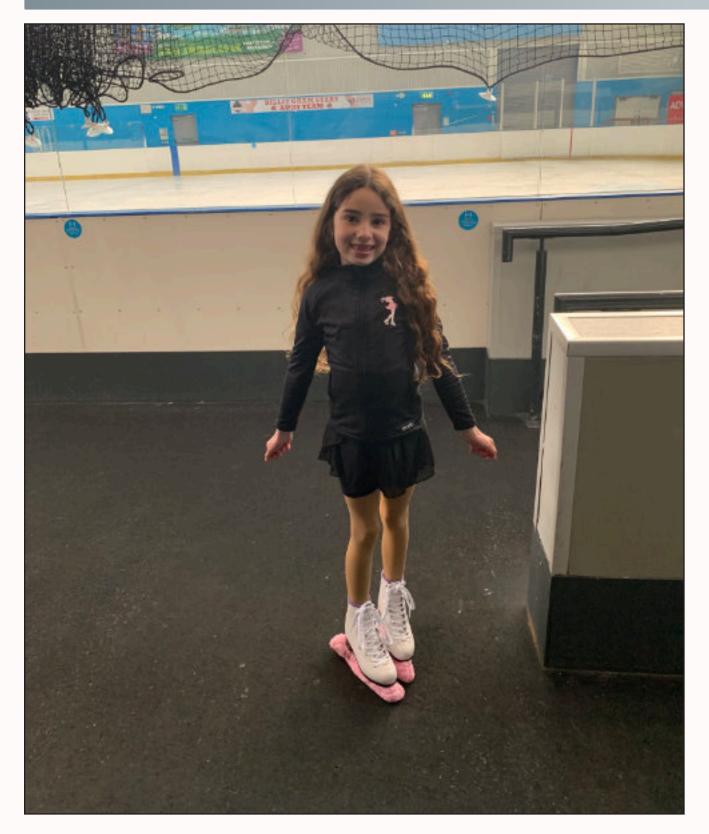


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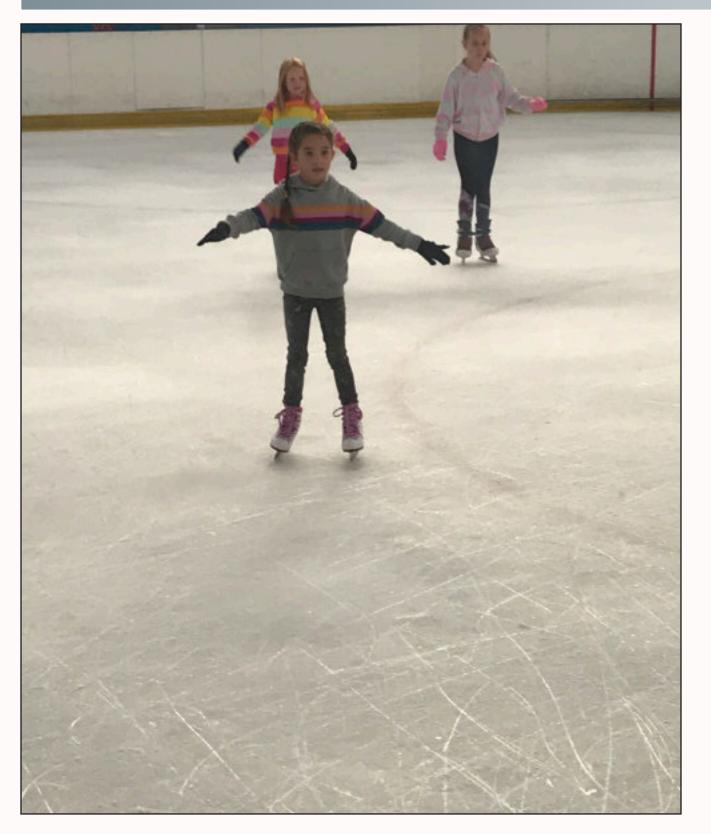


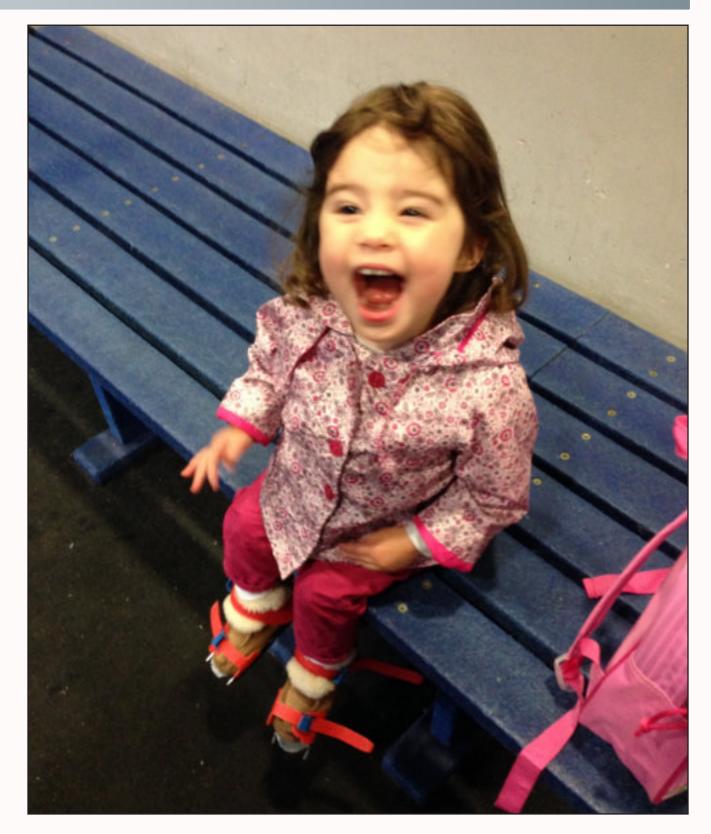
My name is Olivia and I am 10 years old. I have been skating since I was 5. Recently I have participated in a spin, spiral and jump competition at my home arena. It was my first competition and I placed 2nd. I found competing really enjoyable and I really liked it. One day I hope to be watched all around the world as a world famous Ice skater. My one big goal is to be competing in the Olympics. I also just want to thank my parents and my coach Claire for all of the support they have given me. Just over a year ago my old coach went to go and perform on Disney on Ice, I thought she was coming back but when she didn't I remembered a coach from a training session and that she was very kind and I am lucky enough to now have her as my coach. I am so pleased to have competed and continued skating as I have made some wonderful new friends. Sometimes on a Thursday mornings I go to my area to practice before school. Going to your ice rink more and practicing makes a big difference to your skating. If you are interested or new to skating it is a sport that is very enjoyable. You should never give up even if things aren't going your way. Learning to skate and going through all of the levels seeing your self make progress is a wonderful experience. I have faced a lot of challenges with skating. First of all when you just step on the ice it can feel that you will never improve and In competitions you want to make the judges impressed. Even if your not in a competition you should try and make your own routine up and write it down so you know that when you keep working hard you will get a good result. Thank you for reading this article I hope it made you inspired in skating or even want to learn to skate your self Olivia Ххх

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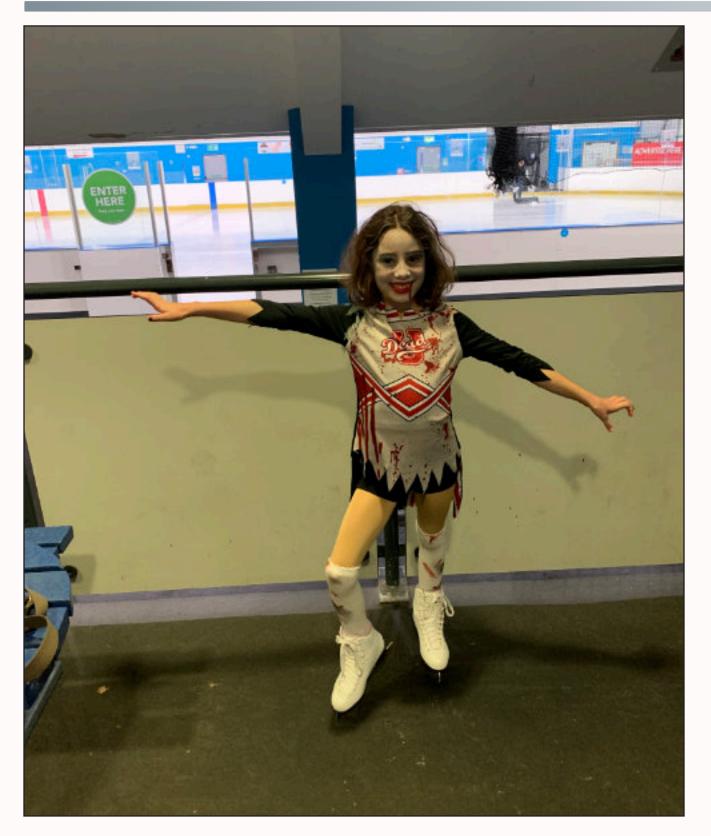


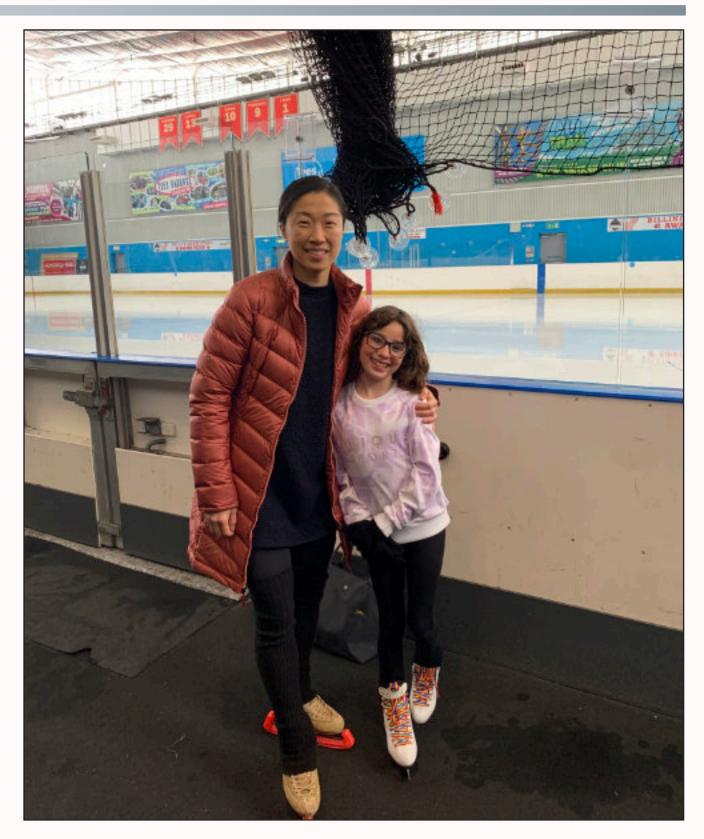




















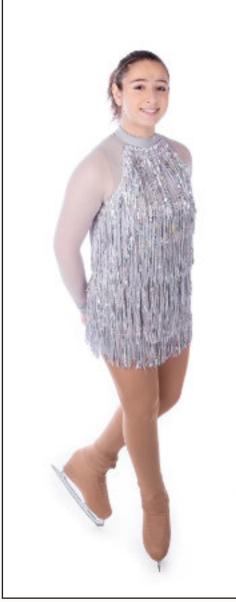




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#### Talia Peltz





My name is Talia and I am 14 years old. I have been skating for 11 years with Skating Club of Boston ever since I was 3. I have been included in the skating world through singles competitions, Theatre on Ice of Boston, and skating shows. I have accomplished many things in my skating career but some that I am most proud of was winning gold at Photos Credits: Janet Liu the International Theatre on Ice World Cup, winning two national Theatre on Ice World Cup, winning two national Theatre on Ice medals, and winning an award for my artistry. I love my sport now and for the many years to come. I hopefully will share my love of skating with the world and for the next generation to come.







#### Talia Peltz





#### Zoe Steinmueller



time so that I can eventually reach the senior level, represent the United States by competing internationally, and achieve my dreams. It is also important for me to give back to my community as well. I have used my skating and social media as a platform to help raise awareness of childhood cancer. I hope to serve as a role model and to one day become an inspiration to others.

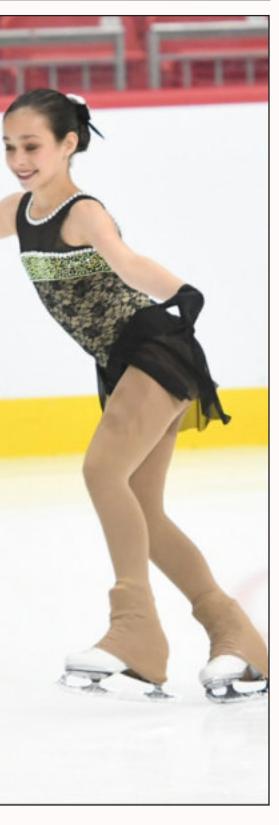
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