Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating 2008/2009

SKATE SAFARI

CAPE TOWN
08-12 OCTOBER 2008

ANNOUNCEMENT / INVITATION

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An International Junior Competition

for

Men, Ladies and Ice Dance

organized by the

South African Figure Skating Association

Cape Town

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A competition as part of the

Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating 2008/2009

under the authorization of the

INTERNATIONAL SKATING UNION

1. General Regulations

The **Skate Safari** will be conducted in accordance with the ISU Constitution and General Regulations 2006, the ISU Special Regulations for Single & Pairs 2006, the ISU Special Regulations for Ice Dancing 2006, the ISU Technical Rules Single and Pair Skating 2006 and ISU Technical Rules Ice Dancing 2006, and the relevant ISU Communications. As soon as the ISU Constitution and General Regulations 2008 as well as the Special Regulations & Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating and Ice Dancing 2008 are published, the wording of the 2008 Regulations and Rules shall prevail.

Participation in the **Skate Safari** is open to all Competitors who belong to an ISU Member, and qualify with regard to eligibility according to Rule 102, provided their ages fall within the limits specified in Rule 108, paragraph 2 c) and they meet the participation, citizenship and residency requirements in Rule 109, paragraphs 1 through 5 and ISU Communication 1420.

In accordance with Rule 109 of the ISU General Regulations and ISU Communication 1420 all skaters who do not have the nationality of the Member by which they have been entered or who, although having such nationality, have in the past represented another Member, must produce an ISU Clearance Certificate. Passports of all skaters, as well as the ISU Clearance Certificate, if applicable, must to be presented at the accreditation of the event for verification.

All competitors must be entered through their respective Member Federation.

With reference to the Announcement of the ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating 2008/2009 the list of ISU Members invited for participation with the quota in each discipline as mentioned in the annex of this announcement must be observed.

2. Technical Data

Place:	a) **main arena: The Ice Station, Grand West Casino Complex, Cape Town** <(an indoor ice-rink with the ice surface of 60 x 30 m, air-conditioned and heated)>; All competitions and practices will be held in this arena. **Approximately 4 minutes walking distance from the official hotel**	
MEN	Short Program	The required elements to be skated are those listed in Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2006* Rule 510, paragraphs 1 and 3, group A for 2008/2009. Duration: 2 min., 50 sec. maximum, but may be less
	Free Skating	In accordance with Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2006*, Rule 520 and the respective ISU Communication. Special attention should be paid to the “well balanced program” and the element value. Duration: 4 min., +/- 10 sec.

LADIES	Short Program	The required elements to be skated are those listed in Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2006* Rule 510, paragraphs 1 and 3, group A for 2008/2009. Duration: 2 min., 50 sec. maximum, but may be less
	Free Skating	In accordance with Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2006*, Rule 520 and the respective ISU Communication. Special attention should be paid to the "well balanced program" and the element value. Duration: 3 min., 30 sec., +/- 10 sec.
ICE DANCE	Compulsory Dance	The following Compulsory Dance will be skated: **Starlight Waltz** The official ISU Compulsory Dance music will be used.
	Original Dance	In accordance with Technical Rules Ice Dancing 2006*, Rule 609 and all pertinent ISU Communications. The rhythm for the Original Dance is the **Rhythms and Dances 1920's, 1930's or 1940's** Any one or two rhythms/dances originated in the 1920's or 1930's or 1940's may be chosen (except Tango). If two rhythms are used one of them may be repeated. The program should reflect the original flavor and style of the decades mentioned above and NOT performed as a Ballroom Dance. For general information concerning the rhythms (dances) which belong to the above mentioned decades please refer to the "Ice Dance Music Rhythms Booklet and Compact Disc 1995". Variations of tempo within one selection of music are permitted. If only one rhythm /dance is chosen two different tunes of this rhythm may be used and which may differ in tempo. Original orchestration of the music of the 1920's, 1930's or 1940's is not required. However, the orchestration must be in the style of the decade chosen. Vocal music is permitted. Duration: 2 minutes and 30 seconds +/- 10 seconds
	Free Dance	In accordance with Technical Rules Ice Dancing 2006*, Rule 610; and all pertinent ISU Communications. Duration: 3 min., 30 sec., +/- 10 sec. Technical Rules Ice Dancing 2006*, Rule 610 paragraph 2 (well balanced program and required elements) and the relevant ISU Communication must be observed.

* ISU Regulations are subject to amendments as decided by the 2008 ISU Congress.

3. *ENTRIES*

3.1 Entries of Competitors

a) Entries by Number

In accordance with the ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating 2008/2009 announcement the right to enter competitors is limited for each ISU Member. The individual quota as well as the official "Entry Forms by Number" is included in the ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating 2008/2009 general announcement package. The entries by number indicating the number of skaters/couples in the disciplines concerned must be submitted not later than **June 15th, 2008** at the latest, to the ***ISU Secretariat,*** to the Chair of the Sports Directorate, ***Mr. Peter Krick*** and to the ISU Event Coordinator, ***Mr. Mario Meinel*** simultaneously, their participants by number for all eight events of the ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating.

The Members must also announce by **June 15th, 2008** the disciplines and/or the events in which they are originally entitled to enter participants but do not use this right.

Members announcing the events and disciplines after the above-mentioned deadline may lose the right to participate in the ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating.

Paragraph 2.4 of the ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating 2008/2009 general announcement regulates additional entries

b) Entries by Name

Entries by names must be made simultaneously to

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and to:

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not later than **31 days** prior to the first day of competition: **20th August 2008**

Please observe the restrictions concerning the selection of Competitors within the events of the ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating" (see also general announcement for the Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating 2008/2009, paragraph 1.

b) Entries of Judges

Each participating ISU Members may nominate one Judge and one substitute Judge for one event in which the Member has Competitor(s) entered. If an ISU Member has entries in the two single events or in one single event and the ice dance event or has entries in three or more disciplines, this Member has the right to enter a second Judge. It is recommended that the second Judge, if possible, have the qualification for Ice Dance.

If the number of entered Judges is too high, the ISU Figure Skating Event Management Group may reduce on a short notice the number of accepted Judges per ISU Member. Possible cancellations of acceptance will follow a strict policy starting with ISU Members having two Judges entered but entries only in the two single events, etc.

Only Judges, who have participated in one of the ISU Seminars for the ISU Judging System, are eligible to serve in the ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating events.

Please observe the restrictions concerning the selection of Judges within the events of the ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating 2008/2009 that no judge may serve in more than three ISU Junior Grand Prix events (Figure Skating and Ice Dance not separated).

The official entry form for Judges must reach the Organizing Committee, the ISU Secretariat and the Chair of the ISU Sports Directorate, Mr. Peter Krick (addresses see above), not later than **31 days** prior to the first day of competition**: By 20th August 2008**.

Each panel of Judges will consist of a maximum of 10 judges but with a minimum of 7 judges, if possible.

4. MEALS, LODGING and TRAVEL EXPENSES

The organizer will provide and cover the expenses for rooms and meals for all Competitors and Judges participating, beginning with dinner on **Tuesday, October 7, 2008** until breakfast on **Sunday, October 12, 2008.**

Should any Competitor or Judge arrive at the hotel before or stay longer than the period described above, their room costs and expenses will be the responsibility of the individual and must be paid on arrival.

The organizer will provide and cover the expenses for rooms and meals also for the Referees, the Technical Controllers, the ISU Coordinator for the ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating, the ISU Event Coordinator, the ISU Event Coordinator Assistant, the ISU Video Specialists, the Cameraman, the Technical staff of ST-Sportservice GmbH and the Anti Doping Control Team during the same period as indicated for the competitors. If any longer period is agreed upon with the Organizing Committee, the period of coverage will be prolonged as agreed.

The costs for rooms and meals for the Technical Specialists, the Data Operators and the Video Replay Operator will be covered by the Organizing Committee and reimbursed by the ISU.

The Organizing Committee will cover the costs for travel expenses for the Technical Controllers and the Anti-Doping Control Team.

All extra expenses incurred by any Team Member or any kind of Official will be the responsibility of that person and must be paid prior to departure.

The Judges, the Referees, the Technical Controllers, the Technical Specialists and the Data- and Replay Operators will receive remuneration in accordance with ISU Communication No. 1401, paragraph I (or any update of this Communication). Only hard currencies are acceptable. The remuneration will be paid upon accreditation. The ISU will reimburse the total relevant costs upon receipt of an invoice stating the number (including names) of the acting officials and their signature.

5. PRACTICE

Official practice for Competitors begins on **Wednesday October 8th, 2008 at 07:00**. The detailed schedule will be issued at the time of registration. According to ISU Regulations 540 paragraph 4 and 634 paragraph 4 no competitor/couple may practice in a rink other than the official rink or rinks after been accredited through the Organizing Committee.

6. MUSIC / PLANNED PROGRAM CONTENT

All Competitors shall furnish competition music of excellent quality CD or MD format, in accordance with Rule 343, paragraph 1. A list of titles, composers and orchestras of the music to be used for the Short Program and Free Skating Program for Single, for the Original and Free Dance Program for Ice Dance and for the Exhibition must be listed for each Competitor on the official Music Selection Form and attached to the official Entry Form for Competitors.

In accordance with Rule 343, paragraph 1, discs must show the Competition event, Competitor's name, the Nation and the exact running time of the music (not skating time) including any starting signal and must be submitted at the time of registration. Each program (short program, free skating, original dance, free dance) must be recorded on one track and on a separate disc or cassette. In addition competitors/couples must provide a back-up drive for each program.

If music information is not complete and discs not provided, accreditation will not be given.

With the entry forms, the "Program Content Sheet" must return to the Organizing Committee in time. It is mandatory that the Program Content Sheet must be filled in precisely by each skater/team in English using the terminology for the elements listed in the respective ISU Communication.

7. ARRIVAL OF PARTICIPANTS / TEAMS

All Referees, the Technical Panel (Technical Controller, Technical Specialists, Video- and Data Operator) Judges, Competitors, Team Leaders, Team Officials, Team Medical Staff and Coaches as well as the ISU Doping Control Team taking part in the competition are requested to announce to the Organizing Committee as soon as possible but no later than 20 August 2008**,** the name of the airlines, flight numbers, dates and times of arrival at the Cape Town International Airport or any other information concerning transportation and arrivals. The official "travel form" should be used.

The nearest airport to Cape Town is The Cape Town International Airport with a distance of 15 minutes to the official hotel. The Organizing Committee provides a bus shuttle to meet the teams on arrival. Please accept that we have to ask for a small transportation fee from all persons participating in this shuttle service. Please inform the Organizing Committee together with your entry whether you will be using the transportation offered.

8. OFFICIAL HOTEL

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For overflow

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Mowbray
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9. ACCREDITATION

The official accreditation is planned at the **City Lodge Grand West** upon arrival.

Accreditation as a Team Member will be given to all entered Judges, Competitors and one Team-Leader per participating team, one Coach per Competitor, a maximum of two Team Officials of ISU Members, provided that they are Council Members, Technical Committee Members or Members of the Head Office of their Federation and a maximum of two medical persons. Accreditation will only be granted to persons in those various functions if officially entered and named through their National Association. **The ISU Member certifies with the signed entry form the indicated functions within the team of all team members. Any misuse of any function will be sanctioned by the ISU/OC.**

Accreditation will be given to appointed ISU Event Officials, ISU Office Holders and Guests.

Chaperons (only one per skater) are invited to purchase a “half-price all-event ticket”. Chaperons will receive a permit for joining the official bus system of the Organizing Committee.

10. RESULTS

The marking system (ISU Judging System) as described in Technical Rule Single & Pair Skating 2006, Rule 352 and Rule 353 (Determination and publication of results) or any amendments as decided by the 2008 ISU Congress to these Rules will be in place.

11. PRESENTATION OF MEDALS

The three best placed skaters/couples in each event will be announced and honoured. Gold, silver and bronze medals will be presented to the medallists. The national anthem of the winner will be played and the flags of the medal winners hoisted.

12. POINTS FOR "ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating"

Points will be awarded as follows:

Men and Ladies		Ice Dance	
1st place	15 points	1st place	15 points
2nd place	13 points	2nd place	13 points
3rd place	11 points	3rd place	11 points
4th place	9 points	4th place	9 points
5th place	7 points	5th place	7 points
6th place	5 points	6th place	5 points
7th place	4 points	7th place	4 points
8th place	3 points	8th place	3 points
9th place	2 points		
10th place	1 point		

The points received are of value for the ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating and the qualification for the ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating Final.

If a skater/couple does not complete an event due to illness or injury, this event will be treated as "not skated", i.e. the result(s) of initial round(s) completed will not count for the ISU Junior Grand Prix ranking order. Such an event will however count as one participation but without receiving credit in the ranking order. Only a second participation in another "ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating event" is possible.

13. PRIZE MONEY

Prize Money will be awarded to each medal winner for each category as follows:

	Men and Ladies		Ice Dance	
1st place	US$	2.000,00	US$	3.000,00
2nd place	US$	1.500,00	US$	2.250,00
3rd place	US$	1.000,00	US$	1.500,00

The individual prize money will be transferred to the National Association concerned immediately after the conclusion of the event.

The prize money may be reduced or completely withheld if a skater/couple:

i) will not participate in the final exhibition gala of the Event concerned with at least one exhibition number (show dance or similar) plus an encore if so requested (not completed or fractures of programs are not considered to be sufficient. A Short Program, Original Dance or a Free Program/Free Dance or a part of a competition program in another costume or skated to another music is also not considered a "show dance").
ii) do not attend the press conference after his/her/their event if any is organized.
iii) do not take part in social events if asked by the ISU and/or the organizer.

The decision to reduce or withhold the prize money can only be made by the ISU Coordination Group in consultation and with the agreement of the ISU Coordinator for the ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating.

The withholding taxes, if any, will be deducted according to the individual government's law.

14. ISU World Standings

World Standing points will also be awarded according to the "World Standings Procedure", that can be found on the ISU website (www.isu.org) under Single & Pairs/Ice Dance – World Standings."

15. ANTI-DOPING CONTROLS

The Anti-Doping tests will be conducted in accordance with the current ISU Anti-Doping Rules & Procedures (ISU Communications No. 1447 and 1448 or any further update of this Communication).

The tests will be taken from each first placed skater/couple. In case of a couple it will be determined by draw whether the Lady or the Man of the first placed couple will be tested.

One skater from the remainder of the skaters shall be selected by random draw in Men, Ladies and Ice Dance. In case of a couple it will be determined by draw whether the Lady or the Man will be tested.

16. INSURANCE / LIABILITY

In accordance with Rule 119, it is the sole obligation of each Member participating in ISU Events, to provide medical and accident insurance for their athletes, officials and all other members of the Member's team. Such insurance must assure full medical attendance and also the return of the ill or injured person to the home country by air transport or by other expeditious. It is an internal matter of each ISU Member to decide the issue who shall pay the premium for such insurance.

The ISU assumes no responsibility for or liability with respect to bodily or personal injury or property damage incurred in connection incurred by Competitors and Officials.

17. EXHIBITION

All medallists and other selected competitors/couples will be invited to participate in the final Exhibition Gala. Show exhibition numbers are expected (no short or free program, original dance or free dance) – see also paragraph 13, i. of this announcement.

18. ROUND-TABLE-DISCUSSIONS

All Round-Table-Discussions are scheduled the morning after the respective final Free Skating/Free Dance event.

19. INFORMATION

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20. EVENT SCHEDULE

Tuesday, Oct. 07, 2008	All day	Arrival of Teams
Wednesday, Oct. 08, 2008	All day	Official Practice
	10:30	Team Leaders Meeting
		(Good Hope Suites Grand West Hotel)
	TBA	Individual Draws for Starting Orders in accordance with the practice schedule
	15:00	Referees and Technical Controllers Meeting
		(The Ice Station Boardroom)
	16:00	Judges Draw and Meeting
		(The Ice Station Lecture Room)
	18:00	Welcome Reception
		(Quarterdeck Restaurant)
Thursday, Oct. 09, 2008		Official Practice
	13:30	ICE DANCE – Compulsory Dance
		LADIES – Short Program
		ICE DANCE – Original Dance
Friday, Oct. 10, 2008		Official Practice
	13:00	MEN – Short Program
		LADIES – Free Skating
		ICE DANCE – Free Dance
		Victory Ceremonies: Ladies and Ice Dance
Saturday, Oct. 11, 2008		Official Practice
	08:00	LADIES – Round Table Discussion
	09:00	ICE DANCE – Round Table Discussion
	11:00	MEN – Free Skating
		Victory Ceremony: Men
	15:30	Gala Exhibition
	19:00	Closing Banquet
		("Maestros on the Beach")
Sunday, Oct. 12, 2008	08:00	MEN – Round Table Discussion

Please Note:
This schedule is subject to change and will be updated in accordance with the final number of entries.

LIST OF MAXIMUM SKATERS PER ISU MEMBER

		MEN	LADIES	DANCE
Andorra	AND	~	~	1
Argentina	ARG	1	1	1
Armenia	ARM	1	1	1
Australia	AUS	1	1	1
Austria	AUT	~	1	1
Azerbaijan	AZE	~	~	1
Belarus	BLR	1	1	1
Belgium	BEL	~	~	1
Bosnia and Herzegovina	BIH	~	~	1
Brazil	BRA	1	1	1
Bulgaria	BUL	1	1	1
Canada	CAN	2	1	2
China	CHN	2	1	1
Chinese Taipei	TPE	1	1	1
Croatia	CRO	1	1	1
Czech Republic	CZE	2	1	1
Denmark	DEN	~	~	1
D.P.R. Korea	PRK	1	1	1
Estonia	EST	1	1	1
Finland	FIN	1	2	1
France	FRA	1	1	1
Georgia	GEO	~	~	1
Germany	GER	1	1	1
Great Britain	GBR	~	~	1
Greece	GRE	~	~	1
Hong Kong / China	HKG	1	1	1
Hungary	HUN	1	1	1
Iceland	ISL	1	1	1
India	IND	1	1	1
Ireland	IRL	1	1	1
Israel	ISR	~	~	1
Italy	ITA	1	1	2
Japan	JPN	1	2	1
Kazakhstan	KAZ	1	1	1
Latvia	LAT	~	~	1
Lithuania	LTU	1	1	1
Luxembourg	LUX	~	~	1
Mexico	MEX	1	1	1
Monaco	MON	~	~	1
Mongolia	MGL	1	~	1
Montenegro	MNE	~	~	1
Netherlands	NED	1	1	1
New Zealand	NZL	1	1	1
Norway	NOR	~	~	1
Philippines	PHI	1	1	1
Poland	POL	1	1	1
Puerto Rico	PUR	1	1	1
Republic of Korea	KOR	1	1	1
Romania	ROU	1	1	1
Russia	RUS	2	2	2
Serbia	SRB	~	~	1
Singapore	SIN	1	1	1
Slovak Republic	SVK	~	~	1
Slovenia	SLO	~	~	1
South Africa	RSA	3	3	3
Spain	ESP	1	1	1
Sweden	SWE	1	2	1
Switzerland	SUI	1	1	1
Thailand	THA	1	1	1
Turkey	TUR	1	1	1
Ukraine	UKR	1	1	2
United States of America	USA	2	2	2
Uzbekistan	UZB	1	1	1