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## **Individual Tickets to U.S. Prudential Figure Skating Championships Available Sept. 5**

*Schedule of January 17 to 25 Events now Available*

GREENSBORO, N.C. (SEPTEMBER 3, 2014) – North Carolina 2015, local organizing committee for 2015 Prudential U.S. Figure Skating Championships, announced today that individual session tickets for the 2015 U.S. Championships will go on sale nationwide Friday, Sept. 5 through Ticketmaster. The 2015 U.S. Prudential Figure Skating Championships will take place January 17 to 25, 2015 in Greensboro, N.C. and conclude with the Skating Spectacular on Sunday evening, January 25.

U.S. Figure Skating announced the schedule of the Championships this week. The schedule includes 20 competition sessions and the Smucker's Skating Spectacular, a total of 21 ticketed events over 9 days. The complete schedule for the 2015 U.S. Figure Skating Championships can be found at <http://www.northcarolina2015.com/EventInfo/Schedule.aspx>.

The "Road to Greensboro" starts with approximately 3500 skaters nationwide. Through regional and sectional competitions approximately 375 skaters are selected to compete in the U.S. Championships in Greensboro at the juvenile, intermediate, novice, junior and senior levels. Greensboro also served as host city for the highly successful 2011 AT&T U.S. Figure Skating Championships.

Figure Skating Olympians Alex Shibutani and Maia Shibutani will be at the Greensboro Coliseum box office from approximately 10 to 11 a.m. on September 5 to sign autographs for, take photos with, and hand out commemorative items to, those first in line to purchase tickets when the box office opens at 10am. Alex & Maia were third place in the Ice Dancing competition at this year's Prudential U.S. Championships in Boston. They made the 2014 U.S. Olympic Team and placed 9<sup>th</sup> overall in Ice Dance at the 2014 Winter Olympics in Sochi, Russia.

Maia and Alex Shibutani are a sibling ice dance team. They are the 2011 World bronze medalists, the U.S. silver medalists in 2011 and 2012, and bronze medalists in 2013. They are coached by Marina Zoueva and Oleg Epstein, and train at the Arctic Edge Arena in Canton, Michigan.

"September 5 will be a great opportunity to get excellent seats to January's 2015 Prudential U.S. Figure Skating Championships in Greensboro," said Hill Carrow, Chairman of the 2015 U.S. Prudential Figure Skating Championships, "We're offering a wide variety of ticket price options—

with tickets starting as low as \$10--so that everyone may have the chance to enjoy the Championships.”

To find out more information and to purchase tickets please visit [northcarolina2015.com/Tickets](http://northcarolina2015.com/Tickets).

### **About the 2015 U.S. Figure Skating Championships**

The 2015 U.S. Figure Skating Championships will take place January 17 to 25, 2015. The Championships conclude with the Skating Spectacular on Sunday evening, January 25. At the 2015 U.S. Figure Skating Championships, national champions will be selected in Ladies, Men, Pairs, and Ice Dance at the Senior, Junior, Novice, Intermediate and Juvenile levels. For only the third time in the over 100-year history of the event, the 2015 U.S. Figure Skating Championships will feature the three major components of the Championships—competition, practice and FanFest—all in one building, under one roof.

### **About North Carolina 2015**

North Carolina 2015 is the local organizing committee for the 2015 U.S. Figure Skating Championships to be held in Greensboro, NC, January 18-25, 2015. NC 2015 encompasses a collaborative team consisting of the Greensboro Coliseum Complex, the Greensboro Sports Commission, the Greensboro Convention & Visitors Bureau, Sports & Properties, Inc., and North Carolina Figure Skating Clubs. The 2015 U.S. Figure Skating Championships are sponsored locally by BB&T and VF Corporation, Presenting Sponsors; and by Official Sponsors the Greensboro Convention & Visitors Bureau, the Greensboro Coliseum Complex, Graphic Visual Solutions, the Joseph M. Bryan Foundation, BEM, The City of Greensboro, Vela, The Cemala Foundation, Pepsi Bottling Ventures, Ice Rink Events, TIMCO, Cone Health, Hagan Davis Law Firm, Exact Target, HKS, Rice Toyota, Apple Rock, The Greensboro Partnership, Systel Business Systems, and Lenovo; by The News & Record and WFMY News2, Diamond Media & Marketing Partners; and by Official Media & Marketing Partners Clear Channel Media + Entertainment, Guilford Woman Magazine; Forsyth Family Magazine, Forsyth Woman Magazine, and O. Henry Magazine.

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