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**BUCHAREST OPEN 2021
International Recreational and Adult
Figure Skating Competition**

8 May 2021

Hosted Virtually by

Skating A 2 Z Ice Skating Club

Dear Skating Friends,

We want to welcome you to the 2021 Bucharest Open International Recreational and Adult Figure Skating Virtual Competition organized by Skating A 2 Z Ice Skating Club.

Our goal for this virtual event is to allow skaters to have a way to present their programs online to a panel of judges, to find their motivation in these uncertain times and be awarded for their performance.

Why to join us?

- *#wearebackstronger* and together we can move on
- Join a project that brings together skaters from all over the world, regardless of age or level
- Compete in the category with skaters of the same level and of the same age as you, with whom you would not normally be able to meet due to the geographical distance
- See the performance of those in your competition category, at home, with your loved ones
- After almost two difficult seasons, with uncertainties and restrictions, closed skating rinks and canceled competitions, a virtual competition can be an opportunity to regain your motivation
- Make friends from other countries, with whom you share the same passion: figure skating
- Have a gala moment on the rink that is your second home
- Get a medal and a diploma of participation for your performance

In the attachment you will find the details for the virtual competition, the events that we will host, video submission guidelines, etc. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to us.

Thank you, on behalf of the Skating A 2 Z Ice Skating Club

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ELIGIBILITY

Participation in the Bucharest Open 2021 is open to all skaters, skating clubs and skating organisations. The international competition is open for all nationalities, ages and levels and skaters can enter in categories based on their skating skills and age. Please see the entry rules below.

SCHEDULE

Registrations: 9 March - 1 May

Competition: 8 May

Results announcement: 10 May

Watching competition online (based on link invitation): 14 May - 30 May

Awards (medal and diploma to be sent to all competitors): starting 15 May

ENTRIES:

The entries must reach the organizer by 1st May 2021 by submission of registration form at:

<https://www.skatinga2z.com/en-bucharest-open-2021/>

OPEN TO THE FOLLOWING LEVELS:

- Boys and Girls Technical Program (Beginners, Bronze, Silver, Gold, Platinum)
- Ladies and Men Technical Program (Beginners, Bronze, Silver, Gold, Platinum)
- Boys and Girls Show Skating (Beginners, Bronze, Silver, Gold, Platinum)
- Ladies and Men Show Skating (Beginners, Bronze, Silver, Gold, Platinum)
- Ensemble (Group number):all levels

ENTRY FEE (paid before 1st May 2021):

First Event: 40€

Second Event: 30€

Group number: 20€/skater

BANK INFORMATION (to be paid in euro):

Beneficiary: Asociatia Club Sportiv Skating A2Z, Bucharest, Romania

Garanti Bank: IBAN nr.: RO97 UGBI 0000 8220 0406 1EUR

Swift code: UGBIROBU

EVENT JUDGING:

Judging of videos will take place by event after all videos are submitted by the athletes/coaches/club representatives. Officials will consist of international figure skating judges assigned by the organizing committee.

VIRTUAL RESULTS:

Results will be announced on 10 May.

PRESENTATION OF MEDALS

All skaters will be awarded and will receive medals and certificate of participation.

INSURANCE/LIABILITY:

The Organizers assumes no responsibility for or liability with respect to bodily or personal injury or property damage during filming or in connection incurred by Competitors at Bucharest Open 8 May 2021.

The organizing committee does not take responsibility for skaters' music copyright.

GDPR:

By entering, all participants accept that personal data are collected by the Organizing Committee (OC) and such data are stored and used by the OC, only in relation to facilitate their participation in the competition; personal data may include but will not be limited to full legal name as per national identity documents, address, date of birth, nationality, sex, etc

Since this is a virtual competition you assume the responsibility that you are visible online and your performance will be seen by other competitors.

VIDEO REQUIREMENTS & RECOMMENDATIONS:

- Videos can be recorded on private ice, sessions dedicated for individual performances or freestyle sessions; however, if recording on a freestyle session, ensure there are no obstructions in the recording and all elements are identifiable by the technical panel (for example not blocked by another skater or the boards). It is strongly recommended that if an athlete or team is using a training session with multiple people on the ice, the other skaters stop skating and allow the performance to be recorded without others skating through the performance.

- Skaters should wear their competition attire; we would like to help set the tone that this is a video that will be presented to a panel of judges, and will help the skater to be in a competitive mindset.
- Video submissions will not contain any editing, splicing and must be recorded from one angle. Any videos that are deemed edited will be automatically disqualified. You will be given one chance to resubmit a video, if found to be edited on the second submission the skater will be disqualified and no refunds given.
- We recommend that the person videoing the program, be standing nearest center ice and can clearly record all corners of the ice.
- Please record in landscape mode (not vertical).
- You will not be judged or scored based on the quality or location of video.
- Videos can be recorded with a camera, professional camera, tablet or a cell phone with high definition video recording capability.
- Make sure the skater's full body is visible at all times during their skating performance.
- Athletes are only permitted to submit one video performance per event. (for example: one video per technical program)

COMPETITION REGISTRATION:

After filming the competition program following the steps from above, upload the video on a Youtube channel of an adult or a skating club account.

How to upload a video to YouTube

1. The first step to uploading a YouTube video is to make a YouTube account. You can also log into an existing one using the link in the top right hand of the YouTube homepage. If you have a Google account for Gmail, Google+, or Google Drive, you may find yourself automatically logged in already

- Log in to your YouTube account.
- Click on the video icon at the top right hand side of the window, which can be found next to your user icon, messages, apps, and notifications.
- Click 'Upload Video. ...
- Then, press 'select files to upload' to find the video file saved on your computer.

2. Please name the video: Bucharest Open_NAME_Event

example: Bucharest Open John Popescu Technical Silver

3. Both "public" and "unlisted video" are accepted. It's your decision if you want to make the video public or not. Once uploaded the video, you agree with the terms and conditions of youtube channel.

4. Please select "No, it's not made for kids", so we can add your performance in the competition event.

5. Pay the entry fee and keep a copy.

6. Fill out the entry form:

<https://www.skatinga2z.com/en-bucharest-open-2021/>

7. Congratulations! You are part of the amazing Bucharest Open 2021 Figure Skating Competition.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

- *Who can make the registration?*

A skating coach or a club representative must submit the registration form.

Skaters over 18 years old can register themselves.

- *Who can make the registration for ensemble/group number?*

A skating coach or a club representative must submit the registration form for the group.

In case of skaters over 18 years old, one of them can register the group

- *Who can video my performance?*

There are no restrictions on who can video your performance. Any individual you are comfortable with can record your performance (coach, parent, friend).

- *Does my skate video need to be recorded on private ice?*

Videos can be recorded on private ice, sessions dedicated for individual performances or freestyle sessions; however, if recording on a freestyle session, ensure there are no obstructions in the recording and all elements are identifiable by the technical panel (i.e. not blocked by another skater or the boards). It is strongly recommended that if an athlete or team is using a training session with multiple people on the ice, the other skaters stop skating and allow the performance to be recorded without others skating through the performance.

- *Can I participate if I can not wear my competition costume?*

We strongly recommend you to wear your competition costume as this is a competition in front of judges. However, if this is not possible, you can wear your skating outfit.

- *The performance should be on an olympic-size ice rink?*

No. The ice rink can be smaller, in a shopping mall or on a frozen lake etc

- *Can I enter the virtual competition twice?*

Each athlete is only allowed to upload one program per event (one technical program and/or one show skating).

For group numbers: If the component of the ensemble as well as competition programs are different, you can register for two or more "ensemble".

- *All skaters of the same level will be in one category?*

Skaters will be divided both by level and by age. So, two skaters silver category for example, aged 7 and 13 will skate in their age category; 7-8 years old, and 13-14 years old.

- *Will the video submissions be posted online?*

Video submissions will be available online for more than a week after the results will be announced, so you can see your performance as well as your competitors'.

- *How will I find out the result of my performance?*

You will be announced by email.

- *Is there any award for the competition?*

Yes, all participants will receive diploma and medal by post.



RULES & REGULATIONS

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- It is expected that competitors will enter at a level appropriate to their current skating ability.
- Skaters may compete at only one level within each segment.
- When fewer than 3 skaters register for an event, age categories may be combined wherever possible to ensure competition.
- Each athlete is only allowed to upload one program per individual event. (one technical program and/or one show skating).
- For group numbers: If the component of the ensemble as well as competition programs are different, you can register for two or more “ensemble”.

EVENTS

I. TECHNICAL PROGRAM:

- **Beginners (Rubin, Emerald, Diamond)**
- **Bronze**
- **Silver**
- **Gold**
- **Platinum**

Category	Elements	Duration
Beginners	Rubin: forward swizzle; two foot jump in place; dip; one foot gliding (left and right)	1,00 min
	Emerald backwards swizzle; forward crossovers forward drag (lunge); 2 foot spin	
	Diamond waltz step, bunny hop, outside 3-Turn (left and right), 2 foot spin	

The elements from the above are required to be in the program and will be judged.

Multiple attempts are permitted and the best one will be judged.

There is no penalty for skating under prescribed time or for exceeding it

Bronze	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Any two single jumps from: waltz, salchow, toe-loop2. Two jump combinations or jump sequences consisting of any of the above (waltz, salchow, toe-loop). A jump combination /sequence can contain only two jumps.3. Two foot spin or one foot spin.4. Two different spirals (examples: camel, cross-catch, catch, biellman)5. One step sequence covering at least a quarter of the ice surface <p>Axel jump or single loop, flip or lutz are not permitted.</p>	1,30 min
Silver	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Any two single jumps from: loop, flip, lutz2. Two jump combinations/sequences, consisting of one of the jump: loop, flip, lutz. A jump combination or sequence can contain only two jumps3. Sit spin or camel spin with/without change of leg and position(s). Flying entry is not allowed.4. Two different spirals (examples: camel, cross-catch, catch, biellman)5. One step sequence covering at least half of the ice surface <p>Axel jump and double jumps are not permitted</p>	2,00 min
Gold	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Any two jumps from: axel, 2salchow, 2 toe-loop2. Two jump combinations/sequences, consisting of one of the jump: axel, 2salchow, 2 toe-loop. A jump combination or sequence can contain only two jumps.3. Flying camel spin or change combination spin (change of leg and position)4. Two different spirals (examples: camel, cross-catch,	2,00 min

catch, biellman)

5. One step sequence covering at least 2/3 of the ice surface

Double Axel or double loop, flip or lutz are not permitted.

Platinum	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Any two double jumps from: loop, flip, lutz, 2 Axel2. Two jump combinations/sequences, consisting of one of the jump: 2 loop, 2 flip, 2 lutz, A Axel. A jump combination or sequence can contain only two jumps.3. Flying sit spin or Flying change combination spin(change of foot and position)4. Two different spirals (examples: camel, cross-catch, catch, biellman)5. One step sequence covering full ice surface <p>Triple jumps are not permitted</p>	2,30 min
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NOTES:

- Each individual jump, combination or sequence can be repeated two times. Best attempt will be judged.
- Spins with a position must have at least 6 revolution; combination spins must have at least 3 revolutions each position.
- a spin can be repeated twice. Best attempt will be judged.
- Spirals must have a minimum of 3 seconds long each.
- There is no penalty for skating under the prescribed time or for exceeding it
- There are no difficulty levels.
- Judging criteria includes: jumps correctness, spins correctness, steps and edges correctness, variety of moves, posture, choreography and structure of the program, presentation.

II. SHOW SKATING *(All levels)*

This is an entertaining program that requires show and theatrical abilities of the skaters. The theme of the program should be clear from the skating movements and choreography. Skaters will be judged on their ability to interpret the music and develop a theme by using their skating skills. Credit for the required technical elements is based solely on the ability of such movements to enhance the chosen theme and support the music. There are no marks for technical elements and the judging include music, originality, creativity, choreography, interpretation, costumes and props.

Skaters are encouraged to use props to help them skate their story, but fire and props that can harm the ice are not allowed.

The performance can be a Theatre on Ice, Spotlight, artistic or a Showcase event.

There is no penalty for skating under the prescribed time for exceeding it.

Level and duration time:

- Beginners 1 min
- Bronze 1 min 30 sec
- Silver 1 min 30 sec
- Gold 2 min
- Platinum 2 min

III. ENSEMBLE (GROUP NUMBER, all levels)

The skaters have to present an entertaining program in group of minimum of 2 and maximum of 25 skaters. The group should use music, costumes & props to enhance the theme while creating an entertaining performance. The performance can also be a couple spotlight or a theatre production. There are no required maneuvers and no technical score for this event. Skaters from all levels can participate in this event. There will be judged the music, originality, creativity, expression, costumes and accessories. There will be no marks awarded for technical elements. Five minutes maximum allocated time per group