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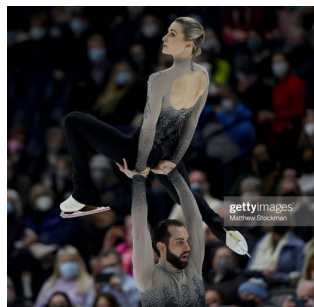
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2022 U.S. FIGURE SKATING CHAMPIONSHIPS Nashville, TN January 4 - 9, 2022

RESULTS



Championship Pairs

1. Ashley Cain-Gribble & Timothy LeDuc
2. Jessica Calalang & Brian Johnson
3. Audrey Lu & Misha Mitrofanov
4. Emily Chan & Spencer Howe

2021 U.S. national champions Alexa Knierim & Brandon Frazier withdrew due to Brandon testing positive for COVID-19.

Championship Women

1. Mariah Bell
2. Karen Chen
3. Isabeau Levito
4. Gabriella Izzo

2019 and 2020 U.S. national champion Alysa Liu withdrew due to testing positive for COVID-19.

Championship Ice Dance

1. Madison Chock & Evan Bates
2. Madison Hubbell & Zachary Donohue
3. Kaitlin Hawayek & Jean-Luc Baker
4. Caroline Green & Michael Parsons

Championship Men

1. Nathan Chen
2. Ilia Malinin
3. Vincent Zhou
4. Jason Brown

2022 U.S. FIGURE SKATING OLYMPIC TEAM

Men



Jason Brown
2022 U.S. pewter medalist
2014 Olympian



Nathan Chen
6-time U.S. champion
(2022, '21, '20, '19, '18, '17)
3-time World champion
(2021, '19, '18)
2018 Olympian



Vincent Zhou
2022 U.S. bronze medalist
2019 World bronze medalist
3-time U.S. silver medalist
(2021, '19, '17)
2018 Olympian

Ice Dance



**Madison Chock
& Evan Bates**
3-time U.S. champion
(2022, '20, '15)
2018 Olympians
2016 World bronze medalists
2015 World silver medalists
2014 Olympians



**Kaitlyn Hawayek
& Jean-Luc Baker**
4-time U.S. bronze medalists
(2022, '21, '20, '19)



**Madison Hubbell
& Zachary Donohue**
2022 U.S. silver medalists
3-time U.S. champions
(2021, '19, '18)
2-time World silver medalists
(2021, '18)
2018 Olympians

Women



Mariah Bell
2022 U.S. champion
2020 U.S. silver medalist



Karen Chen
2022 U.S. silver medalist
2018 Olympian
2017 U.S. champion



Alysa Liu
2021 U.S. pewter medalist
2-time U.S. champion
(2020, '19)

Pairs



**Ashley Cain-Gribble
& Timothy LeDuc**
2-time U.S. champions
(2022, '19)



**Alexa Knierim
& Brandon Frazier**
2021 U.S. champions
2021 Internationaux de France
bronze medalists

2022 WINTER OLYMPICS
Beijing, China
February 4 – 20

FIGURE SKATING SCHEDULE
(all times are MST)

Beijing is 15 hours ahead of Santa Fe.

All events will be streamed live on Peacock Premium. Peacock Premium is free for many Xfinity customers.

For the individual discipline events, full live coverage will be on Peacock Premium and USA and there will also be coverage as part of NBC's primetime coverage.

Thursday, February 3	Team Event		
	Men's Short Program	6:55 PM	Peacock & NBC
	Rhythm Dance	8:40 PM	Peacock & NBC
	Pairs Short Program	10:20 PM	Peacock & NBC
Friday, February 4	Opening Ceremony	4:30 AM	Peacock & NBC
	Opening Ceremony / Primetime	6:00 PM	Peacock & NBC
Saturday, February 5	Team Event		
	Women's Short Program	6:30 PM	Peacock & NBC
	Men's Free Skate	8:55 PM	Peacock & NBC
Sunday, February 6	Team Event		
	Pairs Free Skate	6:15 PM	Peacock & NBC
	Free Dance	7:35 PM	Peacock & NBC
	Women's Free Skate	8:40 PM	Peacock & NBC
Monday, February 7	Men's Short Program	6:15 PM	Peacock & USA
Wednesday, February 9	Men's Free Skate	6:30 PM	Peacock & USA
Saturday, February 12	Rhythm Dance	4:00 AM	Peacock & USA
Sunday, February 13	Free Dance	6:15 PM	Peacock & USA
Tuesday, February 15	Women's Short Program	3:00 AM	Peacock & USA
Thursday, February 17	Women's Free Skate	3:00 AM	Peacock & USA
Friday, February 18	Pairs Short Program	3:30 AM	Peacock & USA
Saturday, February 19	Pairs Free Skate	4:00 AM	Peacock & USA
Saturday, February 19	Exhibition Gala	9:00 PM	Peacock & NBC NBC coverage starts at 9:30 PM
Sunday, February 20	Closing Ceremony	5:00 AM	Peacock
	Closing Ceremony / Primetime	6:00 PM	Peacock & NBC

Detailed information about Team USA's figure skaters as well as the Olympic schedule and results is available at [Olympics Competition Central](https://olympics.com/en/competition/figure-skating) on usfigureskatingfanzone.com.

GUIDE TO 2022 OLYMPIC FIGURE SKATING EVENTS

Team Event Preview

To enter the Olympic team event, a country has to have qualified at least one athlete in at least three of the four figure skating disciplines: men's, women's, pairs, and ice dance.

The following countries qualified a team to participate in the 2022 Olympic Team Event: Canada, China, Czech Republic, Georgia, Germany, Italy, Japan, ROC (Russian Olympic Committee), Ukraine, and the United States.

Each team has one entry per discipline in the short program portion of the team event. Team scores are calculated based on the entry's placement. 1st place earns 10 points, 2nd place earns 9 points, all the way to 10th place earning 1 point. The top 5 teams after the short program move on to the free skate, where again they have one entry per discipline. In the free skate, teams are allowed to substitute entries in up to two disciplines if they have qualified multiple entries in those disciplines. Free skate placements earn points in the same way as the short program (1st earns 10 points, 2nd earns 9 points, etc.) and are added to the short program scores to determine the final standings.

For those countries who have not qualified an entry in one of the disciplines, an additional Olympic spot is given to that country so they can have a participant in that portion of the team event.

Recent medalists in team events:

2021 World Team Trophy: Russia (G), United States (S), Japan (B)

2019 World Team Trophy: United States (G), Japan (S), Russia (B)

2018 Olympics: Canada (G), Olympic Athletes from Russia (S), United States (B)

Men's Preview

The men's event is expected to be a showdown between reigning three-time World champion **Nathan Chen (USA)** and reigning two-time Olympic champion **Yuzuru Hanyu (JPN)**. Following a fifth-place finish at the 2018 Winter Olympics, Chen went on to win 15 competitions in a row; a streak that ended at 2021 Skate America. Hanyu is looking to become the first men's three-time Olympic champion since Sweden's Gillis Grafström in 1928. Hanyu has been working on mastering the quad axel (4^{1/2} rotations) and is aiming to be the first to land one in competition. Their last head-to-head competition was the 2021 World Championships, which Chen won and Hanyu placed third. Hanyu holds the men's world record for the short program and Chen holds the men's world records for the free skate and total combined score.

The other men hoping to make a run at a spot on the podium are 2019 World bronze medalist and three-time U.S. silver medalist **Vincent Zhou (USA)**, reigning Olympic silver medalist and two-time World silver medalist **Shoma Uno (JPN)**, and reigning World silver medalist **Yuma Kagiyama (JPN)**.

Other skaters to watch are **Jason Brown (USA)** who has a stunning short program to "Sinnerman" by Nina Simone; **Junhwan Cha (KOR)** who became the first Korean man to win Four Continents last month; and **Donovan Carrillo (MEX)** who is just the fourth Mexican figure skater, and the first since 1992, to compete in the Winter Olympics.

Ice Dance Preview

The ice dance event will likely be a battle between reigning Olympic silver medalists **Gabriella Papadakis & Guillaume Cizeron (FRA)** and reigning World champions **Victoria Sinitsina & Nikita Katsalapov (ROC)**. Both teams won both of their Grand Prix events this season.

Other teams likely to be battling for a medal are reigning U.S. champions **Madison Chock & Evan Bates (USA)**, reigning World silver medalists **Madison Hubbell & Zachary Donohue (USA)**, and reigning World bronze medalists **Piper Gilles & Paul Poirier (CAN)**.

Other teams to watch are reigning U.S. bronze medalists **Kaitlin Hawayek & Jean-Luk Baker (USA)** and **Olivia Smart & Adrián Diaz (ESP)** who have a fun “Zorro” free dance.

Women’s Preview

The Russian women are favored to sweep the podium. **Kamila Valieva (ROC)** is the favorite for gold and holds the women’s world records for the short program, the free skate, and total combined score. **Alexandra Trusova (ROC)**, reigning World bronze medalist, is known as “The Jumping Fairy” and was the first woman to land the quad toe, quad toe loop, and quad flip in international competition. **Anna Shcherbakova (ROC)** is the reigning World champion.

Reigning Japanese champion **Kaori Sakamoto (JPN)** is one of the few women who can challenge Russian dominance.

All three American women are worth watching. **Alysia Liu (USA)** finished fourth behind three Russians in both of her Grand Prix events this season. **Karen Chen (USA)** finished fourth at the 2021 World Championships behind three Russians. **Mariah Bell (USA)** heads into Olympic competition as the reigning U.S. champion.

Pairs Preview

The battle for gold is expected to be between reigning World champions **Anastasia Mishina & Aleksandr Galliamov (ROC)** and reigning Olympic and World silver medalists **Wenjing Sui & Cong Han (CHN)**. Two other Russian pairs are likely to battle for a podium spot – **Aleksandra Boikova & Dmitrii Kozlovskii (ROC)** and **Evgenia Tarasova & Vladimir Morozov (ROC)** who finished third and fourth at the 2021 World Championships.

Keep an eye on **Riku Miura & Ryuichi Kihara (JPN)**. They are a pair that is rising quickly, and they won the silver medal at 2021 Skate America.

The two American pairs, **Ashley Cain-Gribble & Timothy LeDuc (USA)** and **Alexa Knierim & Brandon Frazier (USA)** are likely to both finish in the top 10 as they did at the 2021 World Championships.



FIGURE SKATING BINGO

Tune into the Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022 broadcast and play Figure Skating BINGO!

TEAM EVENT	MEN'S	PAIRS	ICE DANCE	LADIES
A skater or team cries tears of joy.	A skater scores over 100 points in the short program.	Watch a performance from the 2018 Olympic champions.	A team skates to music by a famous pop artist.	A skater attempts a quadruple Lutz.
Look closely! A skater performs wearing gloves.	A skater performs to the Rocketman soundtrack.	A pair attempts a quadruple twist.	That looks painful! The female skater stands on the male skater's thigh.	A skater does over 30 rotations in a single spin.
A commentator has a bedazzled/sparkly headset or microphone.	Someone sports a costume with real or faux leather accents.	FREE SPACE	A team wears bright orange leotard costumes.	A skater performs to the Les Miserables soundtrack
A female skater attempts a triple Axel.	A skater scores over 200 points in the free skate.	A pair attempts a quadruple throw jump.	A four-time Olympian takes the ice.	A skater lands a clean triple Axel.
Someone makes a heart with their hands in the kiss and cry.	A skater wears a sleeveless costume.	A pair performs to the Moulin Rouge! soundtrack.	Someone performs to a disco song.	A skater attempts a triple Axel and a quadruple jump in the same program.

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