

# OTI 2024/2025 Handbook



On Thin Ice (OTI) is a competitive adult theatrical skating troupe for the 2024-2025 season to adult skaters of all abilities. Please join us for the upcoming season. OTI is committed to providing a team atmosphere in which skaters with a variety of skills can work together on both skating and theatrical skills.

## Who Is Eligible?

OTI skaters must be members of US Figure Skating, full or associate members of Champlain Valley Skating Club (CVSC).

The Team will consist of 8 to 24 skaters. You must be 18 years of age by December 1, 2024.

## Minimum Requirements

Skaters must have passed at least one U.S. Figure Skating test (other than a basic skills badge). This may include an adult or standard MIF, individual dance test (passing the entire dance category not required), freestyle, or pairs. This test needs to be passed 60 days prior (approximately early April 2025) to the first event deadline.

## Attendance

Every practice is critical. Skaters who must be unexpectedly absent must notify Martha Harding and Jennifer Lupia at prior to practice time.

Skaters who have a planned absence should email dates to our coaches as soon as they are known.

When a practice is missed, it is the skater's responsibility to find out what happened BEFORE the next practice. With limited practice time, it is not always possible to backtrack.



## Conduct

All team members are representatives of OTI and the Champlain Valley Skating Club. Skaters will follow the guidelines set forth in the OTI and CVSC codes of conduct.

### OTI Code of Conduct

- I will be polite, courteous and respectful.
- I will work to further the goals of the team.
- I will set a good example for less experienced skaters.
- I will not substantially alter my appearance without coach permission.

Each skater is expected to give 100% at practices and performances. All skaters need to be attentive, give their best effort and maintain a positive attitude.

## 2024-2025 Season

### Cost

- OTI has monthly dues which cover the cost of the ice, coach, scenery and entrance fees.
- 2024-2025 Full Season Dues are monthly payments, due the first practice of each month, there will be 10 monthly payments (Sept-June), payable the first practice of the month. You are also able to pay your payments weekly if you choose so. Payment amount will be determined closer to season start date. Please reach out to our treasure, Mike Streeter with any questions.
- OTI offers a discount to college students.
- A team member does not have to travel to competitions. It is possible to participate with OTI for local shows and festivals only. Please inform the coach at the beginning of the season if this is your intention.
- Fundraising is critical! All OTI skaters are required to participate in fundraising.
- All skaters must be a member of US Figure Skating, with a full or an associate membership of CVSC.
- All skaters are required to purchase their choreographic exercise outfit.
- All skaters will purchase/rent their own FS costumes.
- All travel costs are the responsibility of the skater.
- Team jackets are optional.

## **Tentative 2024-2025 Events**

OTI participates in both exhibitions and competitions. Potential events are listed below.

- Leddy's Holiday Show – The Gift
- Theatre on Ice Festival – Leddy Park Arena
- Leddy Year End Show- Leddy Park Arena
- North Shore Open – Reading, MA
- National TOI – Hosted by Dallas Figure Skating Club
  - Event dates: June 24-28, 2025
  - Travel dates: To be determined- Estimated time commitment from June 23rd through June 28th for National TOI

**Additional practices may be added prior to events. Please make every attempt to attend added rehearsals. Off-ice rehearsals will be scheduled as needed.**

### **For More Information**

If you have any questions about joining On Thin Ice, please do not hesitate to contact the following people:

#### **Professional Staff**

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