

## Facts & Figures

The ISU World Junior Figure Skating Championships are held in Debrecen (HUN) for the second time. Debrecen has hosted the ISU World Junior Figure Skating Championships previously in 2016. This marks the 49<sup>th</sup> edition of the ISU World Junior Figure Skating Championships. The first two were held as ISU Junior Figure Skating Championships in 1976 and 1977 and since 1978 the event has been called ISU World Junior Figure Skating Championships. The championship was cancelled once in 2021 due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

181 Skaters from 40 ISU members have been entered for the Championships: 41 Men, 48 Ladies, 21 Pair Skating couples and 25 Ice Dance couples.

- 23-year-old Pair Skater [Artem DARENSKIY](#) (UKR) is the oldest competitor (dob 7 Jul 2001)
- Ice Dancer [Sandrine GAUTHIER](#) (CAN), 21, is the oldest lady competing (dob 13 Feb 2004)
- 13-year-old [Jiarui LI](#) (HKG) is the youngest Skater in the event (dob 30 Mar 2011)
- 13-year-old [Alice SMITH](#) (GBR) is the youngest female Skater competing (dob 19 Mar 2011)

There are three sets of siblings competing:

- [Anita STRAUB/Andreas STRAUB](#) (AUT) in the Ice Dance
- [Aneta VACLAVIKOVA](#) (SVK) and [Lukas VACLAVIK](#) (SVK) in Ice Dance and Men's Singles
- [Caroline MULLEN/Brendan MULLEN](#) (USA) in the Ice Dance

ISU World Junior Champions and medalists competing:

- [Mao SHIMADA](#) (JPN), 2024 & 2023 World Junior Champion
- [Jia SHIN](#) (KOR) 2024, 2023 & 2022 World Junior silver medalist
- [Ami NAKAI](#) (JPN) 2023 World Junior bronze medalist
- [Minkyu SEO](#) (KOR) 2024 World Junior Champion
- [Rio NAKATA](#) (JPN) 2024 World Junior silver medalist
- [Adam HAGARA](#) (SVK) 2024 World Junior bronze medalist
- [Anastasiiia METELKINA/Luka BERULAVA](#) (GEO), 2024 World Junior Champions (BERULAVA is also the 2022 World Junior Pairs Champion with former partner Karina SAFINA)
- [Olivia FLORES/Luke WANG \(USA\)](#) 2024 World Junior silver medalists
- [Naomi WILLIAMS/Lachlan LEWER](#) (USA) 2024 World Junior bronze medalists
- [Darya GRIMM/Michail SAVITSKIY](#) (GER) 2024 World Junior bronze medalists