

## NOMINEES FOR MOST VALUABLE SKATER 2023



### **ANNA SHCHERBAKOVA** (RUS)

Anna Shcherbakova won the World title in 2021, two silver medals at the European Championships as well as four gold at ISU Grand Prix events and silver at the ISU Grand Prix Final before stepping on the podium with a gold medal at the Beijing 2022 Olympic Winter Games".

### **GABRIELLA PAPADAKIS & GUILLAUME CIZERON** (FRA)

The French couple has dominated the Ice Dance discipline since they burst on the senior scene in 2014 and collected five World titles, six consecutive European titles, Olympic gold (2022) and silver (2018).



### **NATHAN CHEN** (USA)

Nathan Chen became the first skater to perform four, then only one year later, five quads in a Free Skating program. At the Beijing 2022 Olympic Winter Games, he won gold with over 20 points to spare. Chen also has three World titles on his resume.



## NOMINEES FOR BEST COSTUME 2023



**MADISON CHOCK & EVAN BATES** (USA)  
DESIGNED BY: MADISON CHOCK

Their costumes for the 2021/22 Olympic season reflect their Free Dance story “Astronaut meets Alien” perfectly. For Chock, designing the costumes is one of her favorite parts of the entire season. She creates multiple versions and discusses them with Bates.

**YUZURU HANYU** (JPN)  
DESIGNED BY: SATOMI ITO

Hanyu decided on most of his costume himself and shared with designer Satomi Ito what he had in mind. He asked for a “cold color” and Ito chose crystal blue and white for the top. It looks like sunshine sparkling on a frozen lake.



**LOENA HENDRICKX** (BEL)  
DESIGNED BY: NATALIA KOMAR

Loena Hendrickx chose oriental music for the 2021/22 Olympic season and worked with Natalia Komar to design the costume. A wedding dress provided the inspiration for this unique costume that looks like it comes right out of 1001 Nights.





## NOMINEES FOR MOST ENTERTAINING PROGRAM 2023



### **DONOVAN CARRILLO** (MEX)

Donovan Carrillo loves to entertain as he takes the ice. His Short Program from the 2021/22 season to Santana's "Black Magic Woman" and "Shake It" was no exception. It was fun, it was groovy, it was cool and fans all over the world fell in love with this young skater from Mexico.

### **GABRIELLA PAPADAKIS & GUILLAUME CIZERON** (FRA)

The Ice Dancers always push the artistic boundaries with their programs. For the 2021/22 season, the couple went for a new style and brought whacking to the ice, leading to a stunning result of unique esthetical movements.



### **YUZURU HANYU** (JPN)

Yuzuru Hanyu always looks for programs with a special message and depth. By carefully selecting the music and the themes, his programs become perfect vehicles to show off his qualities – soft and powerful, elegant and dramatic, as well as innovative and unique, all embodied at the same time.



## NOMINEES FOR BEST NEWCOMER 2023



### **ISABEAU LEVITO** (USA)

Coming fresh out of the junior ranks, 2022 ISU World Junior Champion Isabeau Levito made a splash on the senior-scene in the current season. The 15-year-old American, already has three silver medals from the ISU Grand Prix of Figure Skating under her belt.

### **NIINA PETROKINA** (EST)

In 2022, Niina Petrokina celebrated a successful debut at the international senior level, placing 8th at the ISU European Championships and 16th at the World Championships. She is a powerful and dynamic skater that has landed the triple Axel in practice.



### **RINKA WATANABE** (JPN)

Rinka Watanabe came out of nowhere to win the ISU Grand Prix of Figure Skating event Skate Canada International in 2022 and to qualify for the ISU Grand Prix Final. The 20-year-old skater started the 2022/23 season by beating reigning World Champion Kaori Sakamoto for gold at the ISU Challenger Lombardia Trophy.





## NOMINEES FOR BEST CHOREOGRAPHER 2023



### **BENOIT RICHAUD**

Former competitive Ice Dancer, Benoit Richaud is known for unique and challenging choreographies with a message. He has worked with Kaori Sakamoto, Bradie Tennell, Daniel Grassl, Adam Siao Him Fa and many more.

### **MARIE-FRANCE DUBREUIL**

Her students include Olympic Champions Papadakis/Cizeron, Olympic medalists Hubbell/Donohue but she also choreographed for single skaters such as Olympic Champion Nathan Chen and World Champion Kaori Sakamoto. It is the second time she is nominated in this category.



### **SHAE-LYNN BOURNE**

Choreographer of many top skaters including Yuzuru Hanyu, Shoma Uno, Nathan Chen, Jun-Hwan Cha, Kaori Sakamoto, Rika Kihira and Knierim /Frazier. Shae-Lynn Bourne won the ISU Skating Award for “Best Choreographer” in 2020.



## NOMINEES FOR BEST COACH 2023



### **PATRICE LAUZON**

Founder of the Ice Academy of Montreal with his wife Marie-France Dubreuil, Patrice Lauzon's school became the leading Ice Dance school of the world. His students Papadakis/ Cizeron and Hubbell/Donohue won gold and bronze at the Beijing 2022 Olympic Winter Games and coaches many other couples from around the globe.

### **RAFAEL ARUTYUNYAN**

A dedicated coach whose knowledge and approach have resulted in a scoreboard of successful championships skaters. Rafael Arutyunyan worked with Nathan Chen, Michal Brezina and Ashley Wagner.



### **STÉPHANE LAMBIEL**

Two-time World Champion (2005 and 2006) and the 2006 Olympic silver medalist, Stéphane Lambiel is an advocate for the art in the sport of Figure Skating as a coach and choreographer, and he is as passionate as he was as a skater. His current students include Shoma Uno, Deniss Vasiljevs and Koshiro Shimada.

