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### Crystal Edges Figure Skating Team to Compete in Nation's Largest Recreational Ice Skating Event

**Bensenville, IL** – The Village of Bensenville is proud to announce that the Edge Ice Arena's Crystal Edges Figure Skating Team will compete in the 2025 ISI World Recreational Team Championships, held July 24–27 at the NSC Super Rink in Blaine, Minnesota. Sponsored by Skates U.S./Edea, this prestigious event is the largest annual recreational ice-skating competition in the country.

This year's ISI Worlds will welcome more than 800 skaters from 46 teams representing 16 states and the Philippines, with participants ranging in age from 1 to 66. Skaters will compete in over 25 event categories including solos, duets, ensembles, and team routines.

Thirteen members of the Crystal Edges team—Gabriela Anaya, Adyson Berta, Alexandra Berta, Eleanor Burnes, Gianna Cortez, Gianna Flamm, Stella Gayan, Angela Grmaskoska, Lulu Nicols, Anabella Parada, Eliza Platek, Ava Reda, and Lucy Strung—will compete in 67 events, led by coaches Susan Daquila-Thorsen, Lauren Stoklosa, and Alexandra Platek.

A special highlight of the event includes a performance by 2025 World Champion and U.S. silver medalist Alys Liu during the ISI Benefit Show on Saturday, July 26.

The Ice Sports Industry (ISI), formerly the Ice Skating Institute, has introduced more than 10 million individuals to skating through its national Learn-to-Skate program. ISI competitions focus on participation over elimination, making the sport accessible and enjoyable for skaters of all ages and levels.

The Edge Ice Arena has proudly participated in ISI events for 25 years, including hosting the World Championships in 2007, 2015, and 2022.

For more information about ISI Worlds, visit [www.skateisi.org/worlds](http://www.skateisi.org/worlds).

To learn more about the Edge Ice Arena's skating programs, visit [www.bensenville.il.us](http://www.bensenville.il.us) or contact [sdaquila@bensenville.il.us](mailto:sdaquila@bensenville.il.us).

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## The Edge Ice Arena's Crystal Edges Figure Skating Team set to compete in the Largest Annual Recreational Ice Skating Competition in the US

ISI World Recreational Team Championships

July 24-27, 2025

The Crystal Edges Figure Skating Team is preparing to compete in the 2025 Ice Sports Industry's (ISI) World Recreational Team Championships July 24-27 at the NSC Super Rink in Blaine, Minn. Skates U.S./Edea is the sponsor of the event.

ISI Worlds is recognized as the largest annual recreational ice skating competition in the country! It offers more than 25 different skating event categories for individuals, partners, groups, and teams.

This year's competition will feature over 800 competitors of all skill levels representing 46 rink teams from 16 states and the Philippines, with ages ranging from 1 to 66.

Crystal Edge Members, Gabriela Anaya, Adyson Berta, Alexandra Berta, Eleanor Burnes, Gianna Cortez, Gianna Flamm, Stella Gayan, Angela Grmaskoska, Lulu Nicols, Anabella Parada, Eliza Platek, Ava Reda, and Lucy Strung will compete in 67 events. Skaters will be accompanied by coaches Susan Daquila-Thorsen, Lauren Stoklosa and Alexandra Platek.

### 2025 World Champion Alyssa Liu to perform

During this year's Worlds, 2025 World champion and US silver medalist Alyssa Liu will star in the ISI Benefit Show at 7:30 pm, July 26 at the Fogerty Arena in Blaine. The exhibition will also showcase selected performances by World competitors.

Ice Sports Industry (ISI) Over the past 66 years, the Ice Sports Industry, formerly known as the Ice Skating Institute, has introduced more than 10 million individuals to ice skating through the country's first national learn-to-skate program. ISI offers something for every skater, from those who want to skate "just for fun" to aspiring Olympic champions. The ISI recreational ice skating program is based on "participation" not "elimination" and features numerous major recreational competitions each year with Worlds being the largest. Among the national champions and Olympians who started in ISI programs are Jason Brown, Ashley Wagner, Gracie Gold, Kristi Yamaguchi, Michelle Kwan, Mirai Nagasu, Sasha Cohan, Evan Lysacek, Dorothy Hamill and more.

For more information about ISI Worlds, please visit the Ice Sport Industry website at [skateisi.org/worlds](http://skateisi.org/worlds)

For more information about the Ice Skating program at the Edge Ice Arena contact [sdaquila@bensenville.il.us](mailto:sdaquila@bensenville.il.us) or visit [Bensenville.il.us](http://Bensenville.il.us)

### FUN FACT

The Edge Ice Arena's figure skating program has been participating in ISI competition and events for 25 years and has hosted these World Championships in 2007, 2015, 2022

