



## Three Members of The Skating Club of Boston Named to Team USA

*Five other skaters received medals during the Championships this past week in St Louis*

**BOSTON (January 12, 2026)** – Three skaters from The Skating Club of Boston were named to Team U.S.A today to represent their country at the 2026 Olympics in Milan, Italy. Men’s bronze medalist [Max Naumov](#) brought the crowd to their feet on Saturday night and earned a spot on the three-man team along with [Iliia Malinin](#) and [Andrew Torgashev](#).

Pairs pewter medalists [Emily Chan and Spencer Howe](#) were named to the team along with [Ellie Kam and Danny O’Shea](#). The U.S. only has two spots in the pairs discipline and three in the other three - men’s, women’s and ice dance.

"Our entire Club community is thrilled that Max, and Emily and Spencer have made the Olympic team and will be representing the Club, the Town of Norwood, the City of Boston and the United States at the upcoming games in Milan," said Doug Zeghibe, CEO and Executive Director of The Skating Club of Boston. When you see these athletes every day, and you know their stories, and the challenges and obstacles they have overcome to get here - it both humbles and excites you. These kids fought so hard for their places on the team and we are incredibly proud of them. They are what it means to be an Olympian."

A complete list of the newly named Team USA members including quotes from each athlete can be found [here](#).

### Two-time National Champions

[Alisa Efimova and Misha Mitrofanov](#) captivated the crowd on Friday, January 9<sup>th</sup> with their beautiful free skate program to "*Where Do I Begin (Love Story)*" capturing their second Championship title with a score of 207.21. The U.S. has not had a back-to-back pairs championship since 2014 when fellow members of The Skating Club of Boston, [Marissa Castelli](#) and [Simon Shnafir](#), captured their titles in 2013 and 2014

"We are incredibly proud of what Alisa and Misha accomplished at these U.S. Championships. They truly are champions – both on and off the ice. We are equally disappointed they will not be joining Team USA in Milan. But we look forward to them representing the United States at the

2026 ISU World Championships in Prague. I think they have a lot more to accomplish and to show the world what they can do as a pair.”

The pair is not eligible for Team USA due to Alisa Efimova’s citizenship status.

### **Junior Championships**

[Patrick Blackwell](#) won the Junior Men’s Championships this week and pairs team [Sofia Jarmoc and Luke Witkowski](#) captured silver.

“Having 19 athletes from The Skating Club of Boston represented in St. Louis highlights the depth of our talent pool at the Club,” said Mia Corisini Bailey, Club Director at The Skating Club of Boston. “As we celebrate Olympic berths for 2026, we’re also incredibly excited about the strength of our junior athletes and the paths many are forging toward 2030 and beyond. We have a lot to celebrate in Boston.”

### **New Team USA Members Perform Locally After Olympics**

Max, Emily and Spencer will be joined by fellow Club skaters and U.S. Pair Champions, Alisa Efimova and Misha Mitrofanov in the Club’s annual benefit, *Ice Chips: A World Journey*, February 28th - March 1<sup>st</sup> at the Tenley E. Albright Performance Center at The Skating Club of Boston. They will be joined by reigning World Champion and fellow Olympian, Alysa Liu as the show’s special guest star. For all these skaters, it will be their first U.S. appearance following the Games. More information about *Ice Chips* can be found [here](#).

### **Photos**

Photos from the 2026 Prevagen U.S. Figure Skating Championships and Team USA photos can be found [here](#). (password: \$k@ting25!) **All photos used from this photo bank MUST BE CREDITED to “Melanie Heaney/U.S. Figure Skating”.** *Please note: the U.S. Figure Skating photographer is still uploading Team USA photos so individual photos will be available later today.* A group photo can be downloaded [here](#).

### **About The Skating Club of Boston**

[The Skating Club of Boston](#), a nonprofit 501(c)(3) corporation, is the third-oldest skating club in the country and a founding member of U.S. Figure Skating. The mission of The Skating Club of Boston is to be the leader in advancing participation, education and excellence in all disciplines of skating for people of all ages, abilities and means. In addition to managing numerous training programs, the Club produces many local, national and international competitions. It also manages the Boston Common Frog Pond in a year-round partnership with the Boston Parks Department. Its Skating Academy, New England’s premiere skating school, offers skating instruction for children and adults of all ages, with nine campuses in the Boston and Metro Boston region. The Club served as the local organizing committee for the [2025 ISU World Figure Skating](#)

[Championships](#) that was held in Boston at the TD Garden March 2025. More information about the Club and its programs can be found at [www.scboston.org](http://www.scboston.org).

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