

Press Release

Local Ice Dancing Brother & Sister Champions Selected to Skate at ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating in Croatia

-On again, Kentucky pair represents the United States on the International Stage-

LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY...September 12, 2017-- Ice Dancing Journey.com is proud to announce that local ice dancing team and US Figure Skating Intermediate Dance Champions, Christopher and Sophia Elder, were selected by the U S Figure Skating International Committee to participate in the ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating Croatia Cup in Zagreb, Croatia from September 27-30, 2017.



The dynamic skating duo are part of the International Selection Pool and now represent Team USA. The team is coached by Kelley and her husband Donny Adair, a former U.S. Dance Champion. The Elders train at the Louisville Skating Academy.

" Christopher and Sophia are willing to put the time and effort in to their training to achieve short and long term goals. Last year was an exciting year. After a bronze medal at the U.S. National Championships they were invited to their first International Competition in Oberstdorf, Germany. They captured the silver medal and it was definitely a proud moment to see them represent their country." states coach Kelley Adair.

"We practice like we're competing every day," Christopher added. "We always make sure we're using our facial expressions and our lines as much as we can. Now, when we come out to compete, even though we're a lot more grown up, we're used to giving it everything we can."

"Sophie and Christopher will be great ambassadors for the sport as they travel Internationally to compete in the Croatia Cup. It is an honor to be selected for a competition at this level and we

are eager to see what this year brings as they continue to mature and advance to the junior ranks." states coach Kelley Adair.

Christopher is a Junior at Trinity High School and Sophia is a freshman at Sacred Heart Academy in Louisville, Kentucky. Both skaters are high achievers, and embrace challenges with adult confidence. Christopher Elder is first in his High School class. He enjoys playing soccer, is an avid member of the Trinity Math Team, and is an aficionado (fan) for the University of Kentucky basketball team. Sophia Elder is a former member of Louisville Rhythmic Gymnastics, where at age of 6, she qualified to Junior Olympics. Sophia also excels in school and enjoys time with her friends.

The Elder Dance team's other impressive wins include:

Competition Championships

2016	Chicago Dance	1 st Place
2015	US Figure Skating	1 st Place
2012-2016	Midwestern Sectionals	1 st Place
2015-2016	Chesapeake Open	1 st Place

Upcoming Elder Competitive Events:

September 27-30, 2017
ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating Croatia Cup in Zagreb, Croatia



If you 'd like to meet the Elder Champions, donate to their cause, or watch their spectacular performances, visit: <http://www.icedancingjourney.com>

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Ice Dancing Journey.com is an in-depth digital and promotional fundraising initiative to help support our next Olympic hopefuls from Kentucky and the United States of America. The site and its contents exist to assist in the education, excitement, and promotion of the Elder team skating champions.

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