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## **Moira D'Andrea Marshall and Sam Poulos Inducted into US Speedskating Hall of Fame**

**KEARNS, Utah** - Notable lifetime achievements and service earned three-time Olympic speed skater, Moira D'Andrea Marshall and Club Founder and Coach, Sam Poulos spots in the US Speedskating Hall of Fame. D'Andrea Marshall was inducted due to her success as a Long Track skater while Poulos was honored as a "Contributor to the Sport."

D'Andrea Marshall made her Olympic debut in 1988, and was a member of four consecutive Olympic Teams including the 1998 Winter Olympic Games in Nagano, Japan, where she placed 9th in the 1000m. D'Andrea Marshall is one of very few skaters to have made Olympic Teams in both Short Track and Long Track. Throughout her long and prestigious athletic career, she was a member of eighteen Senior World Championship Teams, five World Sprint Teams, three World Single Distance Championship Teams and three World Short Track Teams.

D'Andrea Marshall later pursued a career in coaching, and was awarded the Female Coach of the Year for Speed Skating Canada. She was a Long Track Coach for the 2002 Canadian Olympic Team and has been a recipient of the Petro Canada Coaching Excellence Award.

Sam Poulos has coached skaters from local to international levels for more than seventy years including National Champions, World Cup Champions and Olympic Medalists. Having spent fifteen years as Club Manager for Northbrook Speedskating Club, Poulos started the Mid-America Speed Skating Club in 1987 because he felt that the higher dues most clubs had started charging prohibited many people from participating in the sport. Poulos also served as a Team Leader for Junior World Championship Teams for two seasons.

The US Speedskating Hall of Fame Induction took place on Saturday evening, May 16, 2015.

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### **About US Speedskating**

From Pond to Podium, we are US Speedskating. We grow and nurture a sport where all ages can experience the thrill of speed and the camaraderie of the skating community. US Speedskating is responsible for the development of speed skating from grassroots to the highest elite racing programs. US Speedskating is recognized by the United States Olympic Committee and the International Skating Union as the governing body for the sport of speed skating in the United States. The Organization has won 86 Olympic medals to-date, making it one of the most successful sports in U.S. Olympic history. US Speedskating is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization. Follow us on [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#), on [Facebook](#) and at [www.usspeedskating.org](http://www.usspeedskating.org).