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## **U.S. Short Track Fall World Cup Team Selected**

*Skaters will represent the U.S. at two ISU Fall World Cup events*

KEARNS, Utah – Oct. 7, 2018. An exciting weekend of skating concluded today at the Utah Olympic Oval, with the announcement of the U.S. Short Track Speedskating Fall World Cup Team.

The ladies team consists of **Maame Biney** (Reston, Va.), **Corinne Stoddard** (Seattle, Wash.), **Kristen Santos** (Fairfield, Conn.), **Danielle Amos** (Dayton, Ohio), **Elizabeth Johnson** (Orange, Cali.) and **Jamie Jurak** (Newington, Conn.). The mens team will be **Thomas Hong** (Laurel, Md.), **Jonathan So** (Reston, Va.), **Aaron Tran** (Federal Way, Wash.), **Adam Callister** (SLC, Utah), **Aaron Heo** (Warrington, Penn.) and **Brandon Kim** (Fairfax, Va.).

The day started with the Ladies and Mens 1000m heats. **Hailey Choi** (Oakton, Va.), Biney and Stoddard blazed through to the quarterfinals, with Stoddard and Choi moving on to the A Final, finishing 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> respectively. **Rebecca Simmons** (Averill Park, New York), won the D Final and Johnson (Orange, Cali.) finished on top of the E Final.

“I skated pretty well in the 500m and 1000m, but fell in the 1500m,” Stoddard said. “It was a very long weekend, but in the end it turned out good.”

For the Mens 1000m, **Jae Jae Yoo** (Burke, Va.), Tran, So, and Hong skated through the heats and quarterfinals, to advance to the semis. Hong and Tran moved into the A Final, finishing 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> respectively. Callister won the D Final, with **Ryan Pivrotto** (Ann Arbor, Mich.) taking the F Final and Yoo finishing 4<sup>th</sup> in the B Final.

Team USA rocked the Mens 5000m relay, edging out the International team to finish in 1<sup>st</sup> place. The U.S. ladies skated well in the Ladies 3000m, leading the race until they fell with two laps to go, finishing in 3<sup>rd</sup>. The CAN 1 team won the Relay Mixed 2000m with USA 1 finishing in fourth place.

“Overall, I’ve been pleased with the results. They are a young team and this is a great learning experience,” said **Wilma Boomstra**, US Speedskating Short Track National Team Head Coach. “I think there was a lot of racing jitters but I saw a lot of good things today. We held our own, but we have a lot of work to do.”

Team USA will compete at the first two ISU World Cup events in Calgary, CAN, Nov. 2-4, and in Salt Lake City, Nov. 9-11. Complete results can be found [here](#).