



## The Don Laws Apprentice Scholarship

Presented by the Professional Skaters Foundation in cooperation with Shattuck St. Mary's



Mr. Laws, a former U.S. Junior Mens Champion, U.S. Junior Dance Champion and World Team member, was the coach of 1984 Olympic gold medalist, Scott Hamilton, and three-time U.S. champion. Michael Weiss. He was inducted into the U.S. Figure Skating Hall of Fame both as a skater and a coach in 2001. A Past President of the PSA, he was also a Lifetime Achievement Honorary Member of the PSA.

### Scholarship Description

In memory Don Laws, the Trustees of the Professional Skaters Foundation are proud to announce the Don Laws Apprentice Scholarship. PSF is offering three, merit-based apprentice scholarships, each intended for the reimbursement of direct expenses incurred for attending the PSA Apprentice development program at Shattuck-St. Mary's in Faribault, MN. Direct expenses include travel to the program site, lodging, and meals. Awards are based on dedication to coaching, sound character and ethical practices.

The program focuses on development of coaching skills by allowing the apprentice to shadow Master rated coaches over the course of six days. Apprentices will have the opportunity to have one on one time with each mentor as well as sit in on lessons.

Scholarship 1 – June 4 – 10, 2017

Scholarship 2 - June 11 – 17, 2017

Scholarship 3 - June 18 – 24, 2017

### Eligibility

- Be a full member in good standing of the Professional Skaters Association for at least one year.
- Hold a Registered or higher rating in any discipline.
- Hold a Ranking of Level II or higher.
- Proof of liability insurance.
- Completed CER Category A for the 2016-2017 season

Race, religion, color, creed, sex and ethnic background are not considered in the selection of recipients.

## Scholarship Application Package Contents

To apply for the Don Laws Apprentice Scholarship, complete the application package, including:

- A completed Don Laws Apprentice Scholarship Application
- A 500 word essay regarding your coaching philosophy and goals
- A letter of recommendation from peer coach
- A letter of recommendation from a client
- A letter of recommendation from an officer of your home club

## Submission of Scholarship Application

The completed Don Laws Apprentice Scholarship application package must be submitted, no later than April 1 to: Professional Skaters Foundation, 3006 Allegro Park SW, Rochester, Minnesota 55902

## About the Professional Skaters Foundation

The Professional Skaters Foundation (PSF) was founded to expand the educational opportunities of PSA members through a 501 (C)(3) non-profit, charitable foundation. The Trustees of the PSF have developed a scholarship program for its members through a selection process based on established guidelines and criteria.

### Week 1: June 4-10, 2017

- **Tom Zakrajsek**  
Olympic & World coach, PSA Master Rated, PSA Coach of the Year

### Week 2: June 11–17, 2017

- **Jacqueline Brenner**  
National & International coach, PSA Master Rated, PSA Development Coach of the Year
- **Caryn Kadavy**  
World Medalist & Olympic Competitor, National & International coach

### Week 3: June 18–24, 2017

- **Diane Miller**  
National & International coach, PSA Master Rated, PSA Sports Science Award Recipient
- **Aidas Rekeys**  
World competitor & 7-time Lithuanian champion, National & International coach

## Additional Mentors

Tom Hickey – Thomas Hickey is the Director of Figure Skating and Head Coach at Shattuck-St. Mary's. He has US National, International, and Jr. World Championship coaching credentials. Coach Hickey is a Professional Skater's Association Board of Governor's member, PSA Master Rated, PSA Level V Ranking, and USFS Gold Medalist. He has developed programs such as "Power Plus (Figure & Hockey), Coaches Education Program (CEP), and has directed elite training facilities in Bethlehem, PA, Twin Rinks Ice Pavilion (DuPage FSC), & Buffalo Grove, IL.

Caryn Kadavy – Caryn Kadavy is a national and international coach. Caryn has extensive experience in performance, technique, choreography, and an individualized coaching. Her achievements include: US Ladies Figure Skating National Silver and Bronze Medalist, 1987 World Figure Skating Bronze Medalist, 1988 US Olympic Figure Skating Team Member, 7-time Professional Skating champion, 2007 Professional Skating Association Sonja Henie Award, Double USFS Gold Medalist, Figures and Freeskate, Pre-Gold Dance Medalist.

Jimmie Santee – Jimmie Santee has held the position of Executive Director of the Professional Skaters Association since June 2006. The PSA is the official figure skating coach's education, training and accreditation program for U.S. Figure Skating and the Ice Skating Institute. The 1977 Novice Men's U.S. Champion and 1979 Junior Men's U.S. Champion, he was a member of the U.S. International Skating Team for 5 seasons. Jimmie was also a principal performer and coach with Disney on Ice from 1985-1995. Jimmie is a PSA Double Master Rated coach, and specializes in jump technique.