



Ice Skating Australia

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ISA Development Scholarships

The inaugural ISA Development Scholarships were awarded on August 25 at the closing banquet of the 2007 Australian Figure Skating Championships in Warner's Bay, NSW.

The Morgan Innes Queensland Scholarship was awarded to Tina Wang from Ice Skating Queensland.

The Morgan Innes, Alan Blinn and Simone Moore National Scholarship was awarded to Matthew Precious from the Western Australian Ice Skating Association.

The scholarships were announced by Mr Robert Innes, Trustee of the Morgan Innes Foundation, and presented by the Honorable Jodi Mackay, MP and ISA President, Cathy Taylor. Each scholarship holder will receive \$10,000 to be used towards a targeted development program, including overseas training.

These scholarships were made possible through the generous donation of the Morgan Innes Foundation. Ice Skating Australia would like to express its sincere thanks to the Innes family for providing such a wonderful legacy to the Sport and a fitting tribute to Morgan, Alan and Simone.

ISA would also like to acknowledge the Australian Sports Foundation for their assistance in establishing this Scholarship Program and thank everyone who has contributed to the project during the past months.

Scholarship applicants were assessed against a number of criteria including:

- Skating Achievements
- Current Goals
- Future Goals
- Reality of Goals
- Training Plans
- Personality & Sportsmanship
- Nationals 2007 Performance

Next year all short-listed candidates will also be required to attend an interview.

Overall, ISA was very impressed with the quality of the applications received and would like to encourage all athletes to continue to develop their Plans and work hard towards their Goals.

Congratulations once again to our first scholarship holders Tina Wang and Matthew Precious.

**ISA Board of Management
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