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## US Speedskating Announces Long Track Winter World Cup and Junior World Championships Teams

Nine Olympians are featured on USA's Winter World Cup roster

**KEARNS, Utah** – US Speedskating announced today the 2015-16 Long Track Winter World Cup team that will skate in the fifth ISU World Cup in Stavanger, Norway (Jan. 29-31). The organization also announced the 2015-16 Junior World Championships team that will compete in Changchun, China (March 11-13). Teams were determined following the US Long Track Championships that took place at the Pettit National Ice Center in Milwaukee, Wisc. on Jan. 8-10.

Roster spots for the 2015-16 World Allround Championship Team, World Sprint Team and the World Single Distance Team were also decided at the US Long Track Championships. In addition, **Austin Kleba** (Campton Hills, III.) was nominated to represent the United States in the 2016 Winter Youth Olympic Games in Lillehammer, Norway from Feb. 12-21, 2016.

A full roster of the 2015-16 Long Track Fall World Cup Team and the Junior World Championship Team, along with the individuals who earned spots on the World Allround Championship, World Sprint and the World Single Distance Teams are below.

#### Winter World Cup Team - Stavanger, Norway (Jan. 29-31)

#### Men

Shani Davis (Chicago, III.)
Jonathan Garcia (Houston, Texas)
Kimani Griffin (Winston-Salem, N.C.)
Joey Mantia (Ocala, Fla.)
Alex Ochowicz (Palo Alto, Calif.)
Jeffrey Swider-Peltz (Chicago, III.)
Mitch Whitmore (Waukesha, Wisc.)

#### Women

Brittany Bowe (Ocala, Fla.)
Heather Bergsma (High Point, N.C.)
Paige Schwartzburg (Ocala, Fla.)
Nancy Swider-Peltz Jr. (Chicago, III.)
Sugar Todd (Omaha, Neb.)

### World Junior Championships Team - Changchun, China (March 11-13) Men

Ethan Cepuran (Glen Ellyn, III.) Austin Kleba (Campton Hills, III.) Brandon Molenda (Aurora, III.) Isaiah Oliver (Kent. Wash.) David Skoda (Glenville, N.Y.)

#### Women

Hannah Bosman (Oak Brook, III.) Hannah Kim (Auburn, Wash.)

#### World Single Distance Championships - Kolomna, Russia (Feb. 11-14) Men

KC Boutiette (Tacoma, Wash.) Shani Davis (Chicago, III.) Joey Mantia (Ocala, Fla.) Mitch Whitmore (Waukesha, Wisc.)

#### Women

Brittany Bowe (Ocala, Fla.) Heather Bergsma (High Point, N.C.) Paige Schwartzburg (Ocala, Fla.) Sugar Todd (Omaha, Neb.)

### World Sprint Championships - Seoul, Korea (Feb. 27-28) Men\*

Shani Davis (Chicago, III.)
Mitch Whitmore (Waukesha, Wisc.)

#### Women\*

Brittany Bowe (Ocala, Fla.) Sugar Todd (Omaha, Neb.) \*possible team additions at World Cup Stavanger

### World Allround Championships - Berlin, Germany (March 5-6) Women\*

Kelly Gunther (Clinton Township, Mich.)
\*possible men and women team additions at World Cup Stavanger

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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 <a href="Twitter">Twitter</a>, <a href="Instagram">Instagram</a>, on <a href="Facebook">Facebook</a> and at <a href="https://www.usspeedskating.org">www.usspeedskating.org</a>.