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EVERETT, Wash. – The Everett Events Center has been selected to host Skate America, a three-day competition that's expected to bring top skaters from across the globe to Everett in 2008.

The competition is billed as the "premier international figure skating competition held in the United States each year.

It is scheduled for Oct. 24-26 of next year and will feature 60 elite skaters from 15 countries competing on their way to the 2010 Vancouver Olympics.

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Past champions include U.S. champion Michelle Kwan, 2002 Olympic bronze medalist Timothy Goebel and six-time U.S. champion Todd Eldridge, in addition to well-known skaters Scott Hamilton and Kristi Yamaguchi.

A spokesperson for the arena said the economic impact of the event will be felt in the community for years to come.

The event will be broadcast by NBC and will be covered internationally by both TV and print journalists. Reservations are being accepted for weekend all-session packages, which range from \$125 to \$225. Tickets for individual session will be for sale in spring 2008