



## **DISSON SKATING EXTENDS CONTRACT WITH NBC THROUGH 2011**

(Philadelphia, PA --- March 19, 2007) Disson Skating, the leading producers of televised ice skating shows in the United States and Canada, today extended their network contract with NBC-TV for an additional four years (through 2011). Disson Skating, which operates in a partnership with Philadelphia-based sports and entertainment firm Comcast-Spectacor, company annually produces 10 ice skating extravaganzas, which uniquely incorporate a live musical concert into their show.

“While there are a lot of different ice skating shows on television, Disson Skating provides our viewers with an extremely unique concept which combines world-renowned figure skaters performing to live music concerts with some of the most popular singers of our time,” said NBC’s Jon Miller. “Steve Disson is the world’s best producer of live ice skating shows and we’re very fortunate that all of his shows will air on our network.”

Additionally, Disson Skating has renewed their television contract with The Style Network, a Comcast-owned network, to rebroadcast the NBC-aired shows twice during the year.

Disson Skating has already scheduled their 10 shows for the 2007-08 ice skating season, culminating on Saturday, October 27 at 4 p.m. Other shows will air on Sunday, November 11 at 4 p.m.; Sunday, November 25 at 4 p.m.; Saturday, December at 4 p.m.; Sunday, December 23 at 4 p.m.; Tuesday, December 25 at 2:30 p.m.; Tuesday, January 1 at 3 p.m.; Sunday, January 6 at 4 p.m.; Sunday, January 13 at 4 p.m.; and Sunday, January 20 at 4 p.m.

American Idol runner-up Clay Aiken, vocalist Sarah Brightman, country music sensation Wynonna Judd and classical pianist Lang Lang have already confirmed their participation in upcoming Disson Skating shows in 2007-08. The company is in negotiations for additional acts to be confirmed shortly.

Disson has become a significant force on the television skating scene, having created and produced more than 130 made-for-TV specials. In addition to annual shows featuring Olympic gold medalists Brian Boitano and Kristi Yamaguchi, and four-time World Champion Kurt Browning, Disson Skating has also produced numerous skating tribute shows featuring world-renowned musical performers, including Barry Manilow, Aretha Franklin, Ray Charles, Burt Bacharach, Andrea Bocelli, and most recently, Earth, Wind & Fire.

Disson received his first Daytime Emmy Award nomination in 2005 for “Scott Hamilton and Friends,” which he produced at the Global Spectrum-managed Budweiser Events Center in Loveland, CO.

Acknowledged by International Figure Skating Magazine as one of the 25 most influential individuals in ice skating for the past seven years, Disson founded his own company – Disson Skating – in 2001.

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Comcast-Spectacor (comcast-spectacor.com) is the Philadelphia-based sports and entertainment company which owns the Philadelphia Flyers (NHL), the Philadelphia 76ers (NBA), the Philadelphia Phantoms (AHL), the two arenas in which their teams play, the Wachovia Center and Wachovia Spectrum, four Flyers Skate Zone community ice skating and hockey rinks and Comcast SportsNet Philadelphia. In addition, Comcast-Spectacor is also the principal owner of Global Spectrum, the fastest growing firm in the public assembly management field with more than 60 facilities throughout the United States and Canada; Ovations Food Services, a food and beverage service provider; New Era Tickets, a ticketing and marketing company for public assembly facilities; Front Row Marketing Services, a commercial rights sales company; and 3601 Creative Group, a full-service in-house advertising agency. In a partnership with Disson Skating, Comcast-Spectacor annually produces 10 nationally televised figure skating spectacles on NBC.

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