



**PRESS RELEASE**

**Hayden Synchronized Skating Teams**

## **HAYDENETTES FEATURED IN BRYANT PARK ANNUAL OPENING**

*Skating Team Brings Speed and Grace to Noontime Audience*

Lexington, Mass --- October 28, 2006 --- Located in a part of Manhattan that has been open to the public as far back as 1686, Bryant Park has been called one of the most graceful open spaces in all of New York City. Hayden Synchronized Skating Teams announced today that on Monday, October 30, 2006, this is also where The Haydenettes will demonstrate their grace in front of crowds gathered at The Pond for the continued opening of annual The Fête du Noel. The Haydenettes will skate at approximately at 12 PM ET on the 170'x100' ice surface.

The Haydenettes, comprised of high school and college age skater-athletes ranging in age from fifteen to twenty-two, are the 2006 U.S. National Silver Medalists. By virtue of their fifteen U.S. National titles, the Haydenettes are the most successful U.S. Synchronized skating team in the 50+ year history of the sport. The Haydenettes are recognized for their team athleticism, difficult footwork, innovative programs and their team speed.

"We are really happy to be returning to New York City where the audience has an eye for presentation and performance," said Saga Krantz, head coach and choreographer for The Haydenettes. "Our skaters really appreciate the opportunity to excite a New York City crowd with an exhibition of synchronized skating's intricate and powerful footwork coupled with its speed and grace."

Synchronized Skating is the fourth figure skating discipline sponsored by U.S. Figure Skating (USFS). 'Synchro' as the sport is known, is attracting new fans and fast growth both internationally and in the U.S. In the U.S. alone there are now more than 400 competitive teams. U. S. Figure Skating has identified Synchro as the fastest growing part of competitive figure skating.