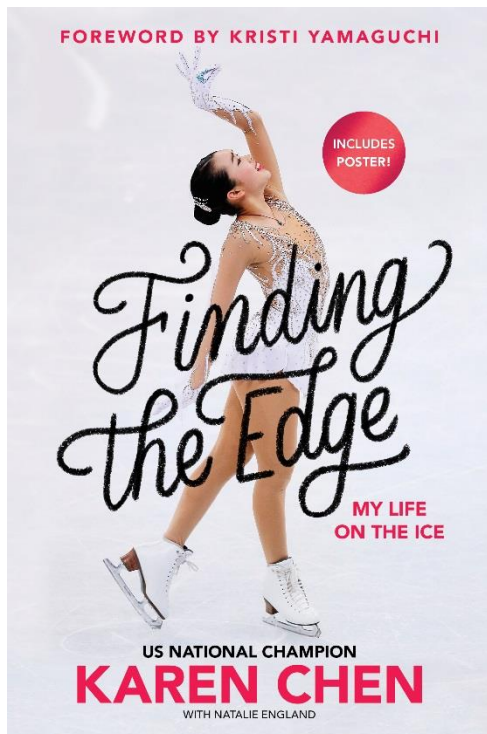


US NATIONAL FIGURE SKATING CHAMPION KAREN CHEN SIGNS BOOK DEAL WITH HARPERCOLLINS PUBLISHERS

—FINDING THE EDGE: MY LIFE ON THE ICE publishes in the US on November 28th, 2017—



New York, NY (August 24, 2017)—HarperCollins Publishers announced today the acquisition of U.S. National Figure Skating Champion Karen Chen’s debut book, **FINDING THE EDGE: MY LIFE ON THE ICE**, featuring a foreword by figure skating legend Kristi Yamaguchi. This book marks the first time that Chen opens up about her incredible journey and the obstacles she has overcome in her career. North American rights were sold to Sara Sargent, Executive Editor, HarperCollins Children’s Books, by Jamie Carr at WME and Yuki Saegusa at IMG.

In **FINDING THE EDGE**, figure skating icon and U.S. National Champion Karen Chen tells the amazing story of her rise to the top, featuring never-before-seen photos and behind-the-scenes details from her journey on and off the ice! Karen has already overcome astounding obstacles, and her grit, determination, and positive attitude have made her future truly limitless. She will share, in her own words, what it’s like to be Karen Chen – and what it takes to achieve the impossible.

With the 2018 Winter Olympics right around the corner, **FINDING THE EDGE: MY LIFE ON THE ICE** is the perfect book for aspiring figure skaters and figure skating enthusiasts alike.

“I am so excited to be able to share my story with my fans and with fellow skaters,” says Karen Chen. “I wanted to show people that if you work hard, never give up, and believe in yourself, you can achieve success. I hope readers will take away a message about the importance of dedication and resilience, and apply it to their own challenges and goals. Every day I continue working toward my dreams, and I look forward to what the future will bring.”

“Karen Chen is one of the most promising young skaters I have seen in a long time,” says Kristi Yamaguchi. “I have been fortunate enough to work with and mentor Karen, and now I am honored to be a part of this project and continue the mission of inspiring young athletes and helping them realize their dreams.”

At eighteen years old, Karen Chen has already achieved what some girls only dream of—and yet it’s only the beginning for this incredibly talented athlete. The daughter of Taiwanese immigrants, Karen began to figure skate at just five years old. Ten years and many grueling training sessions later, she broke out at the 2015 US Championships with a bronze medal. This was after sustaining a nearly career-ending ankle fracture a year earlier. In 2017, Karen became the US national champion, winning gold in two programs and receiving the highest score ever recorded for the short program at the US national level.

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