

Catriona Le May Doan

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Catriona Le May Doan was the fastest woman on ice. After carrying the Canadian flag into the 2002 Olympic Winter Games opening ceremony (her fourth Olympics), Catriona defended her Olympic title with a Gold medal performance in the 500 metre event, becoming the first Canadian individual to defend a gold medal at any Olympic games. She held the World Record in the 500m for 10 years. During her career Catriona broke 13 World Records.

In 1998, at the Nagano Olympic Winter Games, Catriona won her first Olympic Gold medal in the 500m in Olympic record time, then added an Olympic Bronze Medal in the 1000m event. She finished the 1998 season first overall in the World Cup standings in both the 500m and 1000m events. In 1999 Catriona's domination in the speed skating world continued when she finished first overall in the World Cup standings for the 500 m event.

Catriona's accomplishments have earned her the 2002 Lou Marsh Award as Canada's Athlete of the Year and she is a three-time recipient (1998, 2001, 2002) of the Bobbie Rosenfeld Award for Canadian Female Athlete of the Year award.

Catriona has covered five Olympic Games and co-hosted the primetime show Countdown to Beijing. She joined the CTV Olympic broadcast team for the Vancouver 2010 Games, which earned her a Gemini for Best Sports Analyst. Catriona continued her work with CTV, as co-host of Olympic Morning for the London 2012 Games. She was one of four athletes to light the cauldron at the 2010 Vancouver Olympic Winter Games Opening Ceremony. She will help the Canadian Olympic team in 2018 as Lead, Athlete Mentor, which takes the place of Assistant Chef.

Catriona has been given three honorary degrees, and was inducted into Canada's Sports Hall of Fame and the Canadian Olympic Committee's Sports Hall of Fame and appointed an Officer of the Order of Canada – one of Canada's highest honours.

Catriona has been a board member with VANOC and WinSport, and still actively involved in the Canada Games Council, Special Olympics Canada, Canadian Sport Institute Calgary, Red Deer 2019, and various other charity organizations.

Catriona works with Sport Calgary in helping to advance amateur sport in Calgary.

Catriona lives in Calgary with her two children, Greta and Easton.