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## International Society of Arboriculture Hosts Asia-Pacific Tree Climbing Competition

**ATLANTA, Ga.** — The International Society of Arboriculture (ISA) will host the 2023 Asia-Pacific Tree Climbing Competition (APTCC) from 27-29 April 2023 in Changi, Singapore.

Supported by the Landscape Industry Association Singapore (LIAS) and the Centre for Urban Greenery and Ecology/National Parks, APTCC provides an opportunity for the best professional tree climbers—men and women—from across the region to compete and showcase new climbing techniques and equipment. This unique sporting event is like no other.

“As a leading supplier to the urban tree care industry, Husqvarna is proud to support the APTCC,” said Stephen Clark, the Director Brand & Marketing and Customer Care for Husqvarna, the ISA TCC Global Partner. “The skills and experience on show from the competitors inspires us to produce the best products and equipment we can ensure safe and productive work. With competitors from all over Asia Pacific we look forward to engaging with these key stakeholders, learning their needs and working together to improve! We would also like to acknowledge the support and cooperation of our Distributor partner in Singapore Outboard & Marine, without whom we would not have been able to support the event.”

The competition is free and open to the public. Throughout the event, professional arborists will compete in a series of challenges showcasing skill, technique, and athleticism while emphasizing the importance of safety and proper tree care.

“We are excited to be in Singapore and to have the top tree climbers from not only Singapore, but also from around the Asia-Pacific region (e.g., Australia, Hong Kong, New Zealand, etc.) competing to be the male and female champions, who will then go on and represent at the International Tree Climbing Championship later in the year,” said David James, APTCC Chair.

Additionally, there will be an Arbor Fair and a host of vendor booths for the public to enjoy. Arbor Fair is an educational and fun event focusing on environmental issues and promoting proper tree care. Attendees can visit vendors from the surrounding area, find info about the latest equipment from participating sponsors, and more. Children can participate in the Kids’ Fun Climb with simulated limb walking exercises and tree climbing activities. The tree climbing championship is guaranteed to entertain everyone.

For more information about APTCC or Arbor Fair, please visit <https://www.itcc-isa.com/events/regional/aptcc>. For media inquiries, please contact David James, APTCC Chair, at [daivd@davidjames.co.nz](mailto:daivd@davidjames.co.nz).

**ABOUT ISA**

*The International Society of Arboriculture (ISA), headquartered in Atlanta, Ga., U.S., is a nonprofit professional organization dedicated to promoting the importance of arboriculture and educating the public about the significance of trees and the value of their proper care. As part of ISA's advancing the arboriculture profession, it offers the only internationally-recognized certification program in the industry, including ISA Certified Arborist®. For more information about ISA and Certified Arborists, visit [www.isa-arbor.com](http://www.isa-arbor.com).*

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