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North American Tree Climbers to Compete at Roger Williams Park

CHAMPAIGN, Ill (September 10, 2018) – Roger Williams Park in Providence is the site for this year’s North American Tree Climbing Championship (NATCC), which will take place September 29-30 when more than 50 of the top professional tree climbers from the United States and Canada compete for the title of North American Champion while demonstrating their skills as professional arborists.

This event, organized by the International Society of Arboriculture (ISA) and hosted by the New England Chapter ISA, showcases arborists in action and helps educate consumers about proper tree work and safety. The NATCC is free and open to the public.

Presented by Husqvarna, the competition begins on Saturday, September 29 with five preliminary events during which competitors demonstrate the skills required to safely work in trees. The competitors with the highest scores during the preliminary events will move on to the Masters’ Challenge championship round sponsored by The Davey Tree Expert Company on Sunday, September 30.

Tree climbing competitions like the NATCC demonstrate the working conditions of arborists in the field. The competition helps provide the public with a better understanding of the skills it takes to properly climb and care for trees.

In addition to the competition, events will include an Arbor Fair and Expo featuring family-friendly activities such as a fun tree climb. An arborist-focused workshop is also being offered on Friday prior to the event.

The male and female champions earn the opportunity to compete at the 2019 International Tree Climbing Championship (ITCC) to be held in Knoxville, TN, August 9-11 where they will compete with arborists from around the world. For more information on the NATCC and a full schedule of events, visit www.itcc-isa.com/natcc.

About ISA

The International Society of Arboriculture (ISA), headquartered in Champaign, Ill., U.S., is a nonprofit organization supporting tree care research and education around the world. To promote the importance of arboriculture, ISA manages the consumer education web site, www.treesaregood.org, which fulfills the association’s mission to help educate the public about the importance and value of proper tree care. Also, as part of ISA’s dedication to the care and preservation of shade and ornamental trees, it offers the only internationally-recognized certification program in the industry. For more information on ISA and Certified Arborists, visit www.isa-arbor.com.

About New England Chapter ISA

The New England Chapter ISA (NEC-ISA), a chapter of the International Society of Arboriculture, is a member organization for arborists and urban foresters that brings together professionals from Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Vermont and Rhode Island. Their mission is to promote professional arboriculture, research and awareness of the benefits of trees in New England. For more information on NEC-ISA, visit www.newenglandisa.org.