

# **All-New Lexus NX and IS 500 Performance Launch Edition to Debut at Chicago Auto Show Along with Full Luxury Lineup**

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**CHICAGO (July 12, 2021)** – Lexus will showcase its full line up of luxury vehicles at the 2021 Chicago Auto Show, including the all-new [2022 Lexus NX](#) and [IS 500 Performance Launch Edition](#), making their first auto show appearances. The Chicago Auto Show takes place July 15-19 at McCormick Place, located at 2301 S King Dr.

Guests of the auto show will have the opportunity to witness the all-new 2022 Lexus NX, which has been reconceived from the inside out to be more in-tune with the driver. Arriving in dealerships this fall, the 2022 Lexus NX boasts an entirely new platform, with panoramic moonroof and striking 20-inch gloss black aluminum wheels. Taking performance further, the new NX features powerful turbo and hybrid powertrains. Proving there's an NX for every driver, it also adds a new 2.5-liter in-line 4-cylinder engine, and in select regions, the first-ever Lexus Plug-in Hybrid Electric Vehicle, the NX 450h+.

The 2022 Lexus NX delivers a long list of firsts, including the all-new Lexus Interface multimedia system designed with the North American market in mind. The 2022 NX also offers next-generation technology that alerts the driver and passengers to avoid the risk of accidental door contact with vehicles or cyclists with the unique Lexus-first Digital Latch with Safe Exit Assist. The 2022 NX also comes equipped with Lexus Safety System+ 3.0.

As the first model in the new Lexus F SPORT Performance line, the IS 500 Performance Launch Edition is powered by the same naturally aspirated 5.0-liter V8 engine introduced in the standard IS 500. With only 500 serialized vehicles to be sold later this fall exclusively in North America, the IS 500 Launch Edition will generate 472 hp at 7,100 rpm and 395 lb.-ft of peak torque at 4,800 rpm. This engine offers the linear acceleration and V8 muscle that driving enthusiasts crave.

Standing apart from the standard IS 500, the 2022 IS 500 Launch Edition interior builds upon Takumi craftsmanship with elevated interior materials, including sporty two-tone black and gray Ultrasuede® trimmed front and rear seats, door accents, and center console. Outside, the IS 500 Launch Edition is sure to turn heads with standard 19-inch split-seven-spoke forged alloy Matte Black BBS® wheels from the IS F SPORT Dynamic Handling Package. The vehicle will be sold exclusively in Incognito, an all-new color for the Lexus lineup.

Also on display will be a custom wrapped LX, supporting Cal's All-Star Angel Foundation, a pediatric cancer organization with a mission of granting wishes, raising awareness and funding research to help kids fighting cancer. In 2005, Cal Sutter, a 12-year-old South Elgin Little League all-star was diagnosed with Acute Myelogenous Leukemia. While Cal lost his battle with leukemia in 2006, the courage he displayed throughout his treatment inspired the start of foundation. Lexus has helped the organization raise more than \$13 million since it was founded, bringing hope and support to thousands of pediatric cancer patients and their families. The modified LX features Vossen Wheels hybrid forged HF2 24" wheels, Fluid MotorUnion custom side exit exhaust with controller, vinyl wrap Cal's Angels livery, custom embroidered seats and brake caliper color change.

The Chicago Auto Show is committed to providing a safe environment for all involved and will carefully adhere to the health and safety protocols and guidelines set forth by city and state officials. For more information on the Chicago Auto Show, visit: [www.chicagoautoshow.com](http://www.chicagoautoshow.com)