



AROUND AURORA  
**Casting Call: Podcast Co-Host**

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**Podcast Name:** AROUND AURORA

**Produced by:** Aurora Economic Development & Neighbour Media

### The Role

We are seeking a dedicated **Co-Host** to help anchor our new podcast, **AROUND AURORA**. This is a foundational role for someone who is passionate about our downtown's revitalization, tourism, and the community at large.

As a Co-Host, you aren't just a guest—you are a primary voice of the show. You will work alongside our lead host to guide conversations, interview key stakeholders, and explore the economic evolution of our town.

### What You'll Do

- **Co-host Episodes:** Monthly recording sessions (**approx. 2 hours**).
- **Studio & Location Sessions:** While many episodes are recorded in-studio, occasionally some will take place "on-site" at spaces and places around Aurora to capture the atmosphere.
- **Prep & Perspective:** Join/Review brief pre-production chats to help shape the "community angle" of each episode.

### Are you the Ideal Candidate? Are you:

- **A Natural Conversationalist:** You can keep a discussion flowing and make guests feel at ease.
- **Community-Minded:** You have a genuine interest in how Aurora is growing and changing.
- **The "Vibe" Factor:** You have the ability to build immediate rapport and engage in natural, unscripted banter with our other host, while keeping the show energetic and relatable.
- **Professional yet Personable:** You can transition from discussing business trends to sharing a laugh about a local event.
- **Consistent:** You can commit to a regular recording schedule.

### Are you the voice we're looking for?

If you're ready to help share Aurora's stories, we want to hear from you!

### How to Apply: The Road to the Mic

We're looking for the perfect voice to join **AROUND AURORA**! To find our ideal co-host, we've designed a three-step selection process:

#### 1. The Initial Submission (Digital Audition)

Please record yourself reciting the provided **Casting Scripts** (approx. 2–3 minutes). We aren't looking for high-end studio production here - A clear voice memo from your smartphone is perfect!

- **Format:** Please submit your audition as an MP3, WAV, or a link to a cloud folder (Google Drive/Dropbox).
- **Deadline:** **March 31, 2026**
- **Where to Send:** [aroundaurapodcast@aurora.ca](mailto:aroundaurapodcast@aurora.ca)

## 2. The Shortlist (The Deep Dive)

Our panel will review all submissions based on vocal clarity, local authenticity, and the "storyteller" vibe. A small group of candidates will be shortlisted for a brief virtual or in-person interview to discuss their connection to the Aurora community and their availability for our recording schedule.

## 3. The In-Studio Chemistry Test

The final stage is all about the "vibe." Top candidates will be invited to our studio for a live "chemistry test" with our Lead Host. We'll spend 15 minutes "riffing" on local topics and practicing unscripted banter. We want to see how you react, laugh, and build a conversation in real-time.

## The Final Selection

Following the chemistry tests, one candidate will be selected as the official co-host for the relaunch season of Around Aurora!

## You're looking for ME! What do I need to do?

- We'd like everyone to record themselves delivering these **three short scripts**
- Send your audio files to: [aroundaurapodcast@aurora.ca](mailto:aroundaurapodcast@aurora.ca)

### Please include:

- Your name and a brief note on why you love Aurora.
- Any relevant experience (though none is required!).
- Your general availability for a monthly recording schedule.
- **Deadline:** **March 31, 2026**



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**The Cast Call:  
The Voice of "Around Aurora!"**

## **"Around Aurora!" Casting Script**

**Total Estimated Time: 2.5 – 3 Minutes**

### **Part 1: The "Hook"**

"Welcome to Around Aurora!, the podcast where we bridge the gap between our historic roots and our vibrant future. I'm [Name], and I'm thrilled to be joining [Lead Host Name] as we explore the streets, the shops, and the incredible people that make this Town pulse.

Today, we're looking at the big picture: from the stunning revitalization of our heritage buildings to the bold new entrepreneurs choosing to call Aurora home. Whether we're in the studio or out on Yonge Street, our goal is simple: to bring you the stories that define our town's evolution. We're diving deep into the heart of our community... and we're going Around Aurora!"

### **Part 2: The "Storyteller"**

"Think about the last time you walked through Town Park on a Saturday morning. You hear the laughter from the playground, you smell the fresh coffee from the cafe, and you see the storefronts that have stood for a century.

But have you ever wondered about the person behind the counter? Or the architect who spent months ensuring that a new development feels just as 'Aurora' as the Hillary House? That's what we're doing here. We're pulling back the curtain on the 'why' behind the 'what.' We aren't just reporting news; we're celebrating the human grit and creativity that keeps our downtown growing."

### **Part 3: The "Ad Read"**

"Before we get into today's interview, a quick reminder: the best way to experience Aurora is to actually *be* here. This weekend, we're challenging you to be a tourist in your own backyard. Grab a friend, head downtown, and discover that 'hidden gem' shop you've walked past a dozen times.

And while you're exploring, don't forget to pull up our 'Around Aurora!' Spotify Playlist. It's the perfect backdrop for a stroll through the core. If you find a new favorite spot, tag us on social media with #AroundAurora. We might just feature your story in an upcoming episode!"

**Part 4: The "Sign-Off"**

"Thanks for listening, and thanks for being part of the story. We'll see you next time...  
Around Aurora!"