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Podcasts





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Podcasts are making a name for themselves.

According to Fast Company, there are currently around 525,000 different shows out there producing around 18.5 million episodes.

For the curious spirits among us, having a veritable audio library in one's pocket at all times is a salivating prospect. For others, it's a bit overwhelming, especially if one wants to maximize their professional development with relevant content.

In this guide, we've highlighted some interesting shows and episodes that boast an intersection of both localized and innovation/tech/startup-focused content. If you're interested in thinking outside of the Queen City, we've also included podcasts with a more general geographic scope that are still on topic.

Charlotte

- B2U Podcast
- Who: The show is the product of CharlotteBusinessResources.com.
- What: "Bringing business to you."
- Start Here: How to Find People Who Are Just As Passionate About Your Business As You Are

The Biscuit CLT Podcast

- Who: The team behind Creative Mornings-Charlotte host this podcast.
- What: "With a true diversity of voices and inventive approaches to content, storytelling, profiles and investigations, The Biscuit rises up at the intersection of Charlotte's creativity and community engagement."
- Start Here: Haley Bohon "Pioneer"

Charlotte Angel Connection Podcast

- Who: Led by William Bissett, president and founder at Portus Wealth Advisors.
- What: "A voice for the startup ecosystem in Charlotte."
- Start Here: Charlotte Angel Connection Episode 077: Meggie Williams, Founder and CEO of Skipper

Defiance_ Ventures Podcast

- Who and What: "John Espey, a serial entrepreneur, MBA, and early stage investor interviews founders and investors at innovative companies. Defiance_ invests in, consults and starts companies that defy conventional wisdom, and this podcast explores that world."
- Start Here: Episode 1 with Stu Brauer

Entrepreneur Perspectives Podcast

- Who: KazSource founder Eric Kasimov hosts the show.
- What: "This podcast exists to help you, the entrepreneur, small business owner, or business professional, 'build and protect your business 1 Podcast at a time.'"
- Start Here: Perspectives from a Creative Content Marketer with Katie Szabo

The Fintech Moshpit

- Who: Brought to you by leaders at the Carolina Fintech Hub.
- What: "Your source for fintech talk."
- Start Here: Fintech Mega-Mergers: FIS Aquires Worldpay AND Ep28: WTF is Libra? WTF is Digital Banking?

The Margarita Confessionals

- **Who:** Hosted by Ali Levine and Rachel Washburn.
- What: "People often ask us how the idea for 'The Margarita Confessionals' came about. We were going to try to come up with an inspiring, entrepreneurial backstory. In reality, we're just best friends who like to drink margaritas and talk about dating, relationships, our careers, and more. We figured other people might be able to relate to what we were saying as we sipped our drinks, and the podcast was born."
- **Start Here:** Why We're All Obsessed With Balance, Prioritizing Your Life, and Fighting FOMO with Randi Zuckerberg

R&D in the QC

- Who: Charlotte Council members Larken Egleston and Tariq Bokhari.
- What: " ... Recorded right after their Monday night Charlotte City Council meetings, [Egleston and Bokhari's podcast is] diving into the major topics and giving perspectives from different sides of the aisle."

• Start Here: This episode on scooters.

Interesting Miscellaneous Charlotte Episodes

- Episode 29, Navigating Nonprofits (Live Event) | #discussCLT Podcast
- Episode 31, Basal Coffee at LaCa Projects | #discussCLT Podcast
- Episode 031 Juan Garzón || **The Charlotte Podcast**
- Episode 151 Charlotte Works w/ Danielle Frazier | The Charlotte Podcast
- Episode 162 We Got Hacked(athonCLT) || The Charlotte Podcast
- Where Does Charlotte Rank in the Startup Community? || CharlotteFive
- Innovate, Innovate, Innovate || The Phone Wallet Keys Podcast
- Teach Me How to Invest (Featuring Emeka O.) || The Black Legacy Podcast
- Liberal Arts Students Can Innovate, Too | Education Trends

General Innovation/Tech/Startup Podcasts

- Tech on Tap (For all your Raleigh and greater North Carolinian tech listening needs.) WRAL TechWire
- The a16z Podcast Andreeson Horowitz
- StartUp **Gimlet**
- How I Built This with Guy Raz
- Masters of Scale with Reid Hoffman
- Analog(ue) RelayFM
- Podcasts in Color (A great website rounding up podcasts hosted by people of color; linked are some of their recent business program picks.)

Queue Still Too Short?

This and this roundup of local podcasts and the people behind them, courtesy of The Charlotte Agenda and more, covers everything from sports to music, and even chronicles those shows who, while relatively dormant, still have interesting stories to tell. Happy listening!

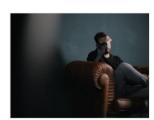
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COVID-19 Guide to Leading Employees Through the Crisis



COVID-19 Guide to Mental Health and Wellness



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