

Before starting your application, it is recommended that you take 8 minutes to watch "[TED's Secret to Great Public Speaking](#)" by Chris Anderson. Also, it will be valuable for you to read Chris Anderson's book, "[TED Talks: The Official TED Guide to Public Speaking](#)".

Personal Information

Full Name	Phone Number
Address	Email

1. What is your idea worth spreading? (50 words max.)

2. How is this a new idea or a novel perspective on a well-established idea? (50 words max.)

3. What is your potential "throughline"? (15 words max.)

A "throughline" is the theme or one idea central to your talk. It should be **no more than 15 words**. Details on how to prepare a "throughline" can be found in Chris Anderson's book "[TED Talks: The Official TED Guide to Public Speaking](#)" – Chapter 4.

4. Why do you want to deliver this talk? (50 words max.)

5. What have you done that demonstrates your enduring passion for your idea? What makes you a credible expert in your talk content? (100 words max.)

6. How do you want your audience to think, feel, or behave differently after they have listened to your talk? (50 words max.)

7. TED takes very seriously its responsibility to provide information that is “compelling and 100% credible”. It strictly enforces its general [Content Guidelines](#) and especially its [Science Content Standards](#). TEDxSurrey fully supports these policies.

Please familiarize yourself with the [Guidelines](#). Your content will be reviewed multiple times for compliance. If a speaker is not eager to adhere to the [Guidelines](#) and adjust their presentation accordingly, a speaking slot cannot be offered. Do you commit to altering your script, if necessary, to adhere to all [TED Content Guidelines](#)?

Yes No

8. The TEDxSurrey 2022 program will focus on 6 separate areas. Under which of the following areas does your idea fall?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Science | <input type="checkbox"/> Technology | <input type="checkbox"/> Art, Music, Design |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Human Rights, Law and Business | <input type="checkbox"/> Current Affairs - topical issues | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal Growth/Personal Development |

9. The TEDxSurrey 2022 event will take place at the beautiful Bell Performing Arts Centre, which holds an audience of 1,050 (Public Health Guidelines permitting) and we plan to have a sell-out crowd! Please list events where you have spoken to large audiences (100+), including the date and size of audience. If you have videos of previous speeches/talks, please provide links.

10. At TEDxSurrey 2022, the talks will be limited to **12 minutes**. We are planning a half-day event with a program that moves along at a brisk pace. Please provide us with an initial DRAFT script, with your idea well-defined, in no more than 1400 words. Attach your script separately when you submit your application.

Script attached? Yes No

11. Commitment to the preparation/coaching process. Can you commit to:

- **Coaching sessions** for all speakers will be on Saturdays from 9.00am to 1:00, (unless otherwise specified) on the following dates:
 - November 20 – Initial Coaching Team Meeting (10:00am to 1:00pm) – In-person
 - Nov 27 & 28 – Speaker Workshops (each day from 10.00am to 1.00pm) on Zoom
 - December 4 & 18 - (9:00am to 1:00pm) on Zoom
 - January 8 - (9:00am to 1:00pm) on Zoom
 - January 22 – (1:00am to 4:00pm) In-person
 - February 5 – (10:00am to 4:00pm) In-person

Yes No

- **In-person Dress Rehearsal** on Tuesday, February 15, 2022 at Bell Performing Arts Centre at a time to be determined.

- **LIVE EVENT** - Saturday, February 19th, 2022 – 8:30 am – 1:00 pm

Yes No

- **Meeting and communicating regularly with your coaches**

Yes No

Thank you for completing the **Speaker Application Form for TED^xSurrey 2022**.
Please ensure that it is submitted by the deadline of midnight **Monday, October 4, 2021**.
No applications will be accepted after this date.

Please email your completed application in PDF format to Vivien Ip, Curation Team Coordinator, at vivien@tedxsurrey.ca

Remember to attach your script of up to 1400 words.