Mark your calendar for the next Hoedown Showdown round

Once again, Magna International and Neighbourhood Network are hosting the Hoedown Showdown talent competition which will culminate in the winner performing at this year's Wild Wild West Hoedown on September 13th.

Recently, the preliminaries were held at Theatre Aurora wherein 31 contestants competed for the right to perform on the Hoedown stage.

I would like to thank Theatre Aurora and their President Sal Aguila for providing us with the use of the theatre to host the first stage of the competition. We are so fortunate to have great community partners like Theatre Aurora to step up to help us support the many community groups and organizations that will benefit from this year's Hoedown.

Next stop for the Showdown is Saturday, September 6th at Aurora's Ribfest when the now 20 contestants will vie for the right to move on to the finals on Friday, September 12th at the Hoedown tent. For more information on the Magna Hoedown and the Showdown events, please go to www.hoedown.ca

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