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# TPT show 'Outside Chance' sails Bde Maka Ska

Chance York learns how to sail with Joe Leadley of the Minneapolis Sailing Center

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Joe Leadley teaches Chance York how to sail on "Outside Chance." The episode premieres on YouTube March 22. Image courtesy of TPT.

“Outside Chance” is a short-form, web-based show that takes Chance York across Minnesota and throws him into various outdoor adventures like [rock climbing](#), [snowkiting](#), and [geocaching](#). York even visited Cedar Lake and [tried out log rolling](#).

The best part of the show is, York doesn’t know how to do any of the activities he is doing. He just shows up with a good attitude and a joyous sense of humor.

In the sailing episode, “[Why Sailing in Minnesota is More Accessible Than You Think](#),” York wears a captain hat the entire episode and jokes about hitting his head for the blooper reel.

“I’m the captain now,” York says with a hearty laugh as he takes over the ropes from Leadly.

Leadly and York, both people of color, also have a serious conversation about access to the sailing community in Minnesota.



Chance York takes over steering the sailboat from Joe Leadly on "Outside Chance." Image courtesy of TPT.

The [Minneapolis Sailing Center](#) has been working on getting more families of color involved in sailing, which Leadly can see on Bde Maka Ska. Leadly said he is often the only person of color sailing out at

and [performed with Eric Mayson](#) on the TPT series, “MN Original.” It was actually through the Mayson performances that York got connected with TPT.

TPT’s production crew at one point said, “This guy needs a show,” York recalled, as he explained how he got the show.

TPT pitched him the show, asked him what his risk tolerance was, and now the show has completed two seasons.

The show has also won an Upper Midwest Emmy for its [mountain biking episode](#) from Season 1.

“Of course we would win,” York said.

York describes himself as a forever student.

“It’s a healthy way to go about your life,” York said.

“Outside Chance” filmed its second season last fall and its episodes are [coming out now on YouTube](#) through April 26.

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