



Podcasts

My favorite radio talk show host, Diane Rehm, retired from her daily radio program in December after 37 years on the air. She turned 80 years old last year and deserves a well earned retirement. But Diane will not be gone completely from the airwaves. She is starting a weekly Podcast called "*On My Mind*" so at least I will still be able to listen to her once a week. So what is a [Podcast](#) and how can you listen to them?

Podcast can refer to audio or video programs made by individuals and organizations that are distributed to the listener directly through the Internet. For example, [The Diane Rehm show](#) played Monday through Friday from 10 am to noon EST, so most of the time I could not listen to it live when it was broadcast on the radio. But as a podcast I could download the daily program to my smartphone and listen to it whenever I wanted to. You can also subscribe to podcasts which will then download to your smartphone automatically ready for you to listen to anytime.

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1. Touch the *Podcasts* icon (this icon came with your *iPhone* or *iPad*)
2. Touch the Search button
3. Touch in the search box and type the program you are looking for
4. Touch the program from the results list
5. Touch the cloud icon to the right of one of the the programs to listen to it
6. If you will listen to this podcast often, touch the Subscribe button

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1. Touch *Podcast Addict* (you must first download the app from the *Play store*)
2. Touch the plus sign icon top right
3. Touch Search Engine
4. Type the name of the program you would like to find
5. Touch Search
6. Touch the program from the results list
7. Touch the episode you would like to listen to
8. If you will listen to this podcast often, touch the Subscribe button

Computer

If you would like to listen to podcasts on your computer there are many different ways to do it. The simplest way is to go to the website for your show and look for a "Listen" link. For example, the new show that will take the place of *The Diane Rehm show* is called *1A* and the website for this show is www.the1a.org. On the website for your show look for the

Listen button. Some shows have an archive for past programs and others only let you listen to the latest program. If you see a Subscribe button that may take you back to the *iTunes store* or the *Play store* where you would be subscribing to the podcast on your device. There are also many podcast apps and programs you can download for your computer.

Home Entertainment Systems

Home devices such as the [Sonos](#) wireless music system, Internet connected smart TVs, streaming boxes [Amazon Fire TV](#), [Roku](#) and [Apple TV](#), and modern stereo systems now have the ability to listen to podcasts. If you have one of these systems check the owner's manual to learn how to listen to podcasts on them.

Enjoy the wonderful world of Podcasts!

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[Your Guide to the Ever-Expanding Universe of Podcasts](#)

[Apple - For Podcast Fans - Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQ\)](#)

[Getting started with Podcast Addict](#)

[Radio icon Diane Rehm signs off after 37 years: 'I've been proud to be your host'](#)

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