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Anthony Vero
President • Aurora Contractors

s President of Aurora Contractors, Anthony Vero is responsible for overseeing all aspects of projects, while maintaining the important underlying core values that Aurora Contractors upholds to the highest levels. Vero is simultaneously involved with multiple projects, managing them from estimating and procurement through CO and closeout. He has a proven track record of successfully delivering numerous high-profile retail, hospitality, and industrial new construction projects totaling over \$600 million for clients including FedEx, Neiman Marcus, Tanger, Hilton, and Macerich. Vero has overseen several complex projects in the five boroughs including several 250,000+ sf pile-supported industrial buildings on Brownfield sites, multi-story full facade and out replacements, and four fast-track design-build projects for FedEx. Vero has held numerous roles at Aurora that include project manager and chief estimator. As an owner, Vero provides hands-on leadership for all of Aurora's employees and strives to deliver unparalleled service to all of Aurora's clients.

Vero brings his work ethic and charm to many organizations. He was recently nominated to participate in the The Energeia Partnership's Class of 2019, and is a member of the Queens Chamber of Commerce, The Associated General Contractors, and The New York Building Congress.

Vero spends his free time coaching his kids' hockey teams, and is an avid golfer.

What is your "secret to success"?

My "secret to success" is to continually find ways to challenge, motivate, and reward myself.

What was your first job?

My first job was at 10 years old, as a performing magician. I performed at children's parties, churches, and Boy Scout events.

What is your dream job?

My dream job would be Owner/Operator of a vintage watch store in a location/climate that supports year-round golf.

If you could go back in time, what would you tell your 20-year-old self?

Buy as much Apple and Amazon stock as you can.

What is the highest educational degree you've earned?

Bachelor's Degree

What can Long Island do to retain young talent?

Influence villages and towns to relax their zoning restrictions to allow more apartment buildings and low-income housing.

Who inspires you?

I am inspired by my father. He is a man of integrity and he has incomparable determination.

What do you do to give back to your community?

I volunteer as a coach for 3 hockey teams that my boys play on.

What do young professionals look for in a company?

Stability, growth, and challenge.

Tell us something about yourself that most people don't know.

I have been playing guitar for 30 years. What is your advice to our 30 Under 30 honorees? Don't let any grass grow under your feet.