SOCIAL MEDIA MARKETING FOR EVENTS

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AGENDA: BREAK IT DOWN

• What's All the Fuss About?
• 5 Simple Rules for Social Media Marketing for Events
• Create a Social Media Strategy for Events
• Develop and Build a Social Plan for Your Events

Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, YouTube

• Integrate Social Media with Your Website/Event Website
• Combine Social Media and Event Registration
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Why Use Social Media Marketing

"Social Media puts the "public" into PR and the "market" into marketing."

-Chris Brogan, New York Times Bestselling Author, Journalist, Marketing Consultant and Speaker

Source: www.pewinternet.org/fact-sheets/social-networking-fact-sheet
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What's All the Fuss About?

According to Pew Internet Project’s Research*, “As of January 2014, 74% of online adults use social networking sites.”

*An organization that examines how Americans use the internet and how their activities affect their lives.

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Pew Research Center’s Internet Project Tracking Surveys, 2012-2013. 2013 data collected August 07 - September 16, 2013. N=1,445 internet users ages 18+. Interviews were conducted in English and Spanish and on landline and cell phones. The margin of error for results based on all internet users is +/- 2.9 percentage points.

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What's All the Fuss About?

FACEBOOK
Most popular social network across multiple demographic groups, e.g., men and women. However, the social network has more women users than men. Teens still use Facebook.

TWITTER
Male users (22%) vs. women users (15%).

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What's All the Fuss About?

PINTEREST
Majority of users are women.

LINKEDIN
Appeals to college graduates, business professionals and internet users within a higher income tax bracket; ages between 30 and 49.

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What's All the Fuss About?

**YOUTUBE**
Reaches more adults 18-34 than Cable TV.

**INSTAGRAM**
Appeals to younger adults.

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5 Simple Rules for Social Media Marketing for Events

Create an ATTENTION-WORTHY event!
- Incorporate multi-media, e.g., images and videos.

Engage with your audience.
- Respond to comments.
- Say, “Thank You!”
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5 Simple Rules for Social Media Marketing for Events

Monitor the progress of events.
- Use analytics, e.g., Google and Facebook Insights.

Ask for and accept constructive feedback.
- Try not to take criticism personally.
  It’s about your events, not you as a person.

Tweak your social media marketing for events.
- Discover what worked and what didn’t.
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Create a Social Media Strategy for Events

Define your objective for your events.

Discover your TARGET AUDIENCE.

Develop better listening skills! Listen and monitor conversations taking place online.
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Create a Social Media Strategy for Events

Determine social tactics and tools for your events.

Use social media throughout your events, from the registration process to the day of your events.
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Create a Social Media Strategy for Events

Define and set goals.
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Develop and Build a Social Plan for Your Event

- Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, YouTube

Build a presence for your events on social networks that your audience uses.
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FACEBOOK
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- Invite others to your event via sharing on your timeline or email.
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FACEBOOK
- Post and update on your event wall.
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FACEBOOK
- Create a Facebook Cover for your page and Event Cover.

CLASSIC CAR SHOW
CAT ADOPTION EVENT

$65 Cats and Kittens
In Honor of Jerry Smith (and his 1965 Mustang), Former Parma Animal Shelter Board of Trustees President

$5 Lonely Hearts Club Cats

Sunday, September 21, 2014
From 10 a.m. - 7 p.m.
6260 State Road, Parma, Ohio 44134
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FACEBOOK

- Share your events with your audience on the Facebook pages and groups they use.

- Encourage your audience to check-in to your events on Facebook.
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TWITTER

- Create a Twitter account for each one of your events, or use your organization’s existing account.

- Customize the Twitter Profile, i.e., create a header, background and profile picture.
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TWITTER

- Create a #hashtag for your events.

- Tweet about your event.

- Tweet during events – encourage audience participation.
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Combine Social Media and Event Registration

- Create and include an event hashtag and links to your social media networks in your eBlasts and Newsletters.

- Write a strong status/tweet for people to share.

- Give people an incentive to register.
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Combine Social Media and Event Registration

- Create questions for your event registrations. Use answers to develop your social media marketing for events.

- Encourage people to RSVP on social networks.

1. What topics do you most want to learn about?
2. What social networks do you use the most?
3. What is your biggest concern with (fill in the blank)?

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USE Social Media with Your Website

- Link to your social networks on your website/event website.

- Share links via ShareThis, AddThis, Click to Tweet, or a custom button.

- Use analytics to track links.
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Use Social Media with Your Website

- Take advantage of the Embed feature on Twitter and Facebook.

- Give attendees permission to share their contact information, including their names, email addresses and social networks.
Thank you!

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