Jenn Welch

Writer | Comedian | Not a Fun Person

About me

I'm passionate about using my skills as a writer, comedian, producer, and tech nerd to be of service in the world - by connecting with big emotions, providing empathetic solutions, and building movements.

I've spent my adult life in Brooklyn and Los Angeles, but I was manufactured in an old industrial city in Central New York. Ask me about my dog.

Highlights

B.S. Film / Creative Advertising S.I. Newhouse School of Public Communications Syracuse University

Television Writing UCLA Extension

Sketch Writing Second City, Hollywood

Improv
The People's Improv Theater

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Creative Strategist / Content Creator
Dr. Lisa Lippman - Influencer
IG (173k followers) / TikTok (35k followers), 2024-Present

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Copywriter thelab Stearns & Foster. 2021-2023

Creative Consultant Collective Impact, 2020

Freelance Copywriter VaynerMedia Kiwi Botanicals, Olay, Planters, 2019-2020

Improv Instructor
The People's Improv Theater 2015-2019

Social Media Manager The People's Improv Theater, 2015-2016

Freelance Writer Various Trade Journals, 2007-2015

resume that is also meme



Jenn Welch Starter Pack

create the internet's most popular kiwi bird



all the fun tweets for big super bowl campaign



convince coworkers to dance in tiktok videos



SO many schools









make fun stuff get national press



VULTURE

DEC. 21, 2016 Finding Energy in Despair with the National 'What a Joke' Fest

By Philip Stamato



Extension Swaps Out Harvey Weinstein's Face With Pugs In Space



ASCII art savant

teach improv

brain that thinks

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in puns &





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creative problem solver



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Kiwi Botanicals

COPYWRITER, VAYNERMEDIA

KIWI BOTANICALS



Procter & Gamble's new Manuka Honey skincare line, sold exclusively at Walmart.

Challenges:

- educate consumers on the skincare benefits of Manuka Honey
- establish Kiwi Botanicals as an affordable, quality clean beauty brand
- create a brand voice that connects with Walmart shoppers and Skincare Mavens
- platforms: Twitter, Instagram, TikTok, eCommerce



KIWI CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT

The product packaging featured a beautiful kiwi bird illustration. I suggested we make use of the bird by creating character for it on Twitter.

Using the skills I acquired while developing characters for screenplays and TV pilots, and the qualities of inclusion, wholesomeness and FUN we hoped to connect to the brand, I established the voice of Kiwi.

A 101 on the Voice by Jenn W

Kiwi is very focused on being a successful small business bird, but how does the Kiwi bird define success??

I'm a kiwi. The fact that i even made it to the port to get on the ship that got me across the ocean so i could launch my Manuka Honey Melt facial cleansers means I'm already so so so successful, every day from here on out is WOW, even if things were to not work out now, i'm still a kiwi bird who launched a skincare line that supports my people friends AND my bee friends HOW COOL IS THAT??

it's BANANAS, honestly i just want to bee (ha) helpful to as many bees, people, and creatures as i can and literally every day i take a new step in my small business adventure my mind is BLOWN by what me and my bees have achieved and i want to make sure EVERYBODY knows what's possible in their lives if they focus on their strengths (launching skincare lines, helping people, waddling) and accept their weaknesses (flying, lifting boxes, bookkeeping).

Because I think the most important thing you can bee (ha) in life is a helpful bird. If we all try to be helpful birds then everybody is taking care of everybody and my bee friends are safe and my people friends feel their best and my plant friends can grow and grow and grow and I can trust that I'm being taking care of too because when I help others I'm really helping MYSELF so If I share everything I'm learning In my business what I'm really doing is taking a moment in my nesting burrow to reflect on what's been working and what could use some improvement and maybe If I share share share I'll meet some other small business birds with awesome ideas AND THE WORLD WILL GLOW

KIWI 201: Kiwi Voice Advanced Studies by Jenn W

Kiwi is very focused on selfcare, mindfulness and radical relaxation, but what do those things mean to our kiwi??

I'm a kiwi. I can't do yoga. Or maybe I could do yoga but it's not fun and why am i doing something if it's not fun or interesting or wowowow or phibbth so good? If self-care, is stressful, is it really self-care? Did you know that you can meditate while waddling? Why would I sit in the dark in the quiet getting mad at myself for thinking thinking thinking and not be a perfect meditator when I could do a waddling meditation and connect with the trees and the squirrels and the people and all the imperfect things in the world that are perfect perfect perfect just the way they are. I just want to bee (ha) connected to everything, most importantly to myself!!

Grown up life is stressful and scary for a lil kiwi!! No wings, can't fly, weird weather, starting my own business. But I try to remember what my grandma told me: take good care of the lil kiwi you were when you were doing somersaults in your kiwi egg (it's a very roomy egg), and the lil kiwi you were when you were a lil kiwi chick, and the kiwi you've been every day before today. She told me that if I carry those lil kiwis along with me as i go out in the world and explore and become a small business bird, I'll never be bored and i'll always bee (ha) near the playful, joyful, wowowow feelings even though i can't feel those feelings all the time (okay but have you ever thought about how funny a feeling grumpy is? Hmph I'm grumpy!).

Right now my grandma's tied for the oldest living kiwi bird in Auckland. She still somersaults like she's in her egg and she does zumba on wednesday nights and hopscotch every afternoon, and when she does her dust baths she uses the finest dust that smells like sweet earth and sings at the top of her lungs and feels every feeling and I want to bee (ha) just like her and by "just like her" I mean TRULY MYSELF.

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TWITTER LOVES OUR SMALL BUSINESS BIRD



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KIWI TWEETZILLA

VaynerMedia CEO Gary Vaynerchuck wanted us posting 100 tweets a day for the five days leading up to the brand's official launch.

The team said it couldn't be done.

I said "HERE'S HOW WE DO THIS."

THE STORY

"TO BE WORN LIKE A LOOSE GARMENT"

Why are we posting 600 tweets in 6 days?

Because our Kiwi is migrating to America to sell its wares and it's wicked excited!

Days 1-4: our Kiwi is traveling from New Zealand to America.

Day 5: our launch day.

Day 6: settling in to our new reality

We do not ever have to explicitly say that this any of this is happening, but when we are concepting and writing tweets, we should be thinking to ourselves:

- Where is our Kiwi on its journey and how might that impact the wording of this tweet?
- What is our Kiwi doing while it's drafting this tweet and how might that impact the wording?
- How is our Kiwi feeling and how might that impact the wording of this tweet?
- Little Kiwi, big world! How does the Kiwi's POV impact the wording of this tweet?

DO NOT WORRY ABOUT GETTING THE KIWI'S VOICE JUST RIGHT. SEND US YOUR CONCEPTS AND WE WILL RUN THEM THROUGH OUR KIWI BIRD TRANSLATOR.

STRATEGY

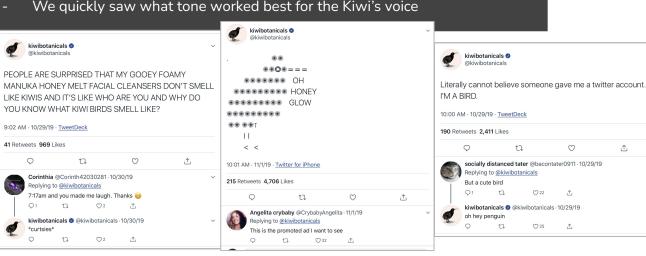
600 TWEETS IN SIX DAYS, HONEY!!
Covering Four Territories plus Daily Cultural Content and Quote Retweets

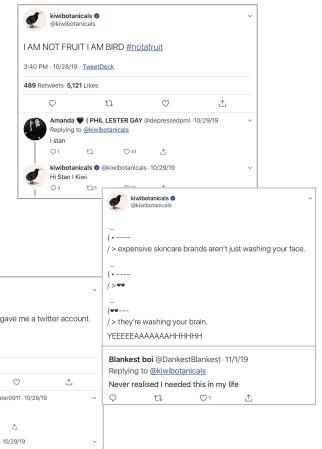
Any Tweet Format is Fair Game: Image | Gif | ascii art | Text-Only | Video | WHATEVER

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| Honey Pour | 15 | 40 | 10 | 10 | 20 | 15 | 110 |
| Wash & Play | 10 | 15 | 40 | 10 | 20 | 15 | 110 |
| Boo to Goop | 10 | 10 | 15 | 40 | 20 | 15 | 110 |
| Cultural | 10 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 20 | 70 |
| Quote RTs | 15 | 15 | 15 | 15 | 10 | 20 | 90 |
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| DAILY TOTAL | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 600 |

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- To encourage team members from all departments to contribute tweets, I suggested to Accounts that we create a contest. The person who contributed the most tweets won a gift card to a fancy restaurant
- There's no such thing as a bad idea! I shaped contributions into jokes, added original ASCII art, played with text formatting. Almost every contribution made it to the Twitter feed
- By the end of the week we'd posted ~400 tweets
- We went from 134 twitter followers to over 1,000 in five days
- We quickly saw what tone worked best for the Kiwi's voice





KIWI INSTAGRAM

- How do we translate our fun, quirky, inclusive Twitter voice into the glamour-shot language of Instagram?
- The Kiwi bird takes a step back; all copy is written from the brand voice, using "we" instead of "I"
- We avoid the typical skincare science speak, focusing more on the sensory experience of using the product



KIWI INSTAGRAM





Liked by angela_granados and 76 others

kiwibotanicals Toss out your concealers. Kiwi Botanicals Brightening Eye Cream with real Manuka honey makes dark circles a thing of the past. Get it at @walmart

View all 3 comments January 31



Liked by jessiel0316 and 100 others

kiwibotanicals We did the math. Your face (Manuka honey + purifying charcoal) = OH HONEY WOW

View all 10 comments October 25, 2019



Liked by angela_granados and 72 others

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kiwibotanicals Manuka honey contains antioxidants, vitamins, and amino acids. It improves skin tone and texture. AND it leaves you with a healthy, glowing complexion. That's why we based our entire Kiwi Botanicals skincare line around it.







kiwibotanicals You know how the bits and baubles in a kaleidoscope don't really make sense together on their own but then you point the lil tube up to the light, peer inside, and see the impossible beauty they make when they're all moving together? Okay, so the bits and baubles are: sustainably-sourced Manuka Honey, a gooey, melty, foamy texture, real New Zealand sea kelp, totarol oil, and kiwifruit, charcoal and B3, formulas that brighten, purify, and nourish, an affordable price point, products that are FUN to use, and Walmart.

And the kaleidoscope is Kiwi Botanicals. SUCH BEAUTY.

THE END.

View 1 comment March 12

THE KIWI DAY-BEFORE-THANKSGIVING-DAY PARADE

It's Kiwi's first Thanksgiving, and our bird's heard that all the big brands turn themselves into balloons for a parade.

I pitched this as a big bet idea. The client passed on all big bets, but we really enjoyed the idea of our lil' kiwi balloon waddling along the parade route. So I found a small inflatable kiwi bird on the internet, grabbed a mail cart, and put together our little DIY parade for TikTok and Twitter.



was told i'd know i was successful when I became a balloon in a thanksgiving parade

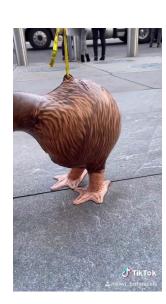
but i already know i'm successful bc every day i follow my heart

so i made my own parade!!!!

(MAKE. YOUR. OWN. PARADE)

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CLICK HERE FOR VIDEO

KIWI: THE MASCOT

- Due to restrictions around using actors in TikTok videos, we had a Kiwi costume made
- We wanted the design to celebrate the weird DIY-ness of our gooey product and our flightless bird
- We based the design off my Twitter ASCII art
- Used my persuasive skills to convince multiple coworkers to dance for me in a kiwi costume



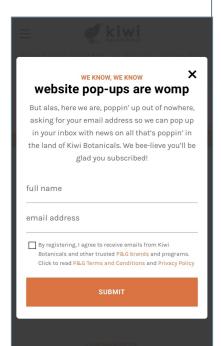






KIWI E-COMMERCE

Carrying the fun, quirky energy over to our web and email copy, while still educating consumers about our Manuka Honey goodness.





kia ora, friends!

Kiwi Botanicals is here to transform the skincare aisle AND your skincare routine. We melt, slime, goo, foam, pump, scoop, and dab. Most importantly, we're here to make your skin feel super smooth, super healthy, and super-duper good.

How do we do that you ask? Our Manuka Honey Melt Facial Cleansers and Moisturizers contain antioxidants, vitamins, minerals, amino acids, enzymes, and botanicals that have been used as a skin remedy in New Zealand for over 2,000 sweet, sweet years.



contact us

we've got a flock of lil' kiwi birds standing by, ready to answer all your skincare questions.





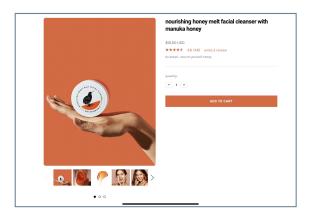


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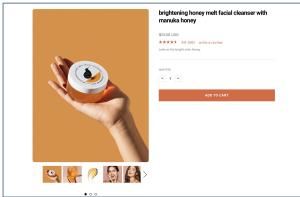
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Call Us (888) 802-6325

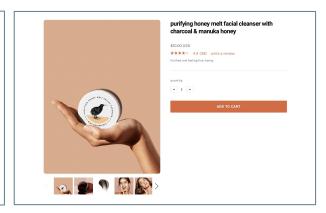
Product Descriptions







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| New Zealand-so | | and Totarol Extract revive dull looking skin to reveal your radiant glow. You're gonna make the |
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| Charcoal and New Zealand-sourced Manuka honey tackle impurities to leave your skin feeling all the balanced and smooth vibes. It's the Kiwit that makes your skin say Ki-WHOA. | | | |



CLEANSE

Pick one of our gooey foamy Manuka Honey Melt Cleansers: Nourishing for all skin types, Brightening with Totarol Tea Tree oil - great for acne-prone skin, or Purifying with charcoal for a sweet daily detox.



MOISTURIZE

Our Nourishing Day Lotion with SPF 30 with Manuka honey, sea kelp, kiwifruit, and B3 absorbs quickly for balanced, firm, super hydrated skin.



TREAT

Complete your Kiwi Routine with our rich Nourishing Night Cream and petal-soft Brightening Eye Cream for smooth, healthy, honey-glow skin,

SHOP KIWI



PETA approved and proud of it!

Look for us in the clean beauty aisle at Walmart and online at

KEEP UP WITH KIWI







Email Copy

Kia ora, you!



Thanks for joining in on the fun! We can't wait for you to get your hands on our sustainably-sourced Manuka honey facial cleansers and moisturizers. So take a deep breath - innnnn and outtttt - and escape with us to New Zealand from the comfort of your own bathroom.

SHOP KIWI



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KEEP UP WITH KIWI









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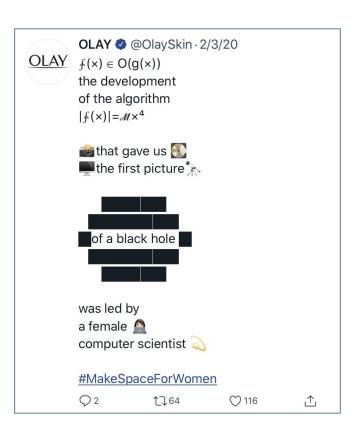
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Olay: Super Bowl LIV

- For Super Bowl LIV, Olay's TV spot supported the hashtag campaign #MakeSpaceForWomen, with the goal of raising \$500k for Girls Who Code
- MY TASK: to create ~25 text-only tweets that celebrate women in STEM while utilizing the space available to us on Twitter in eye-catching and innovative ways.
- Each RT = \$1 to Girls Who Code



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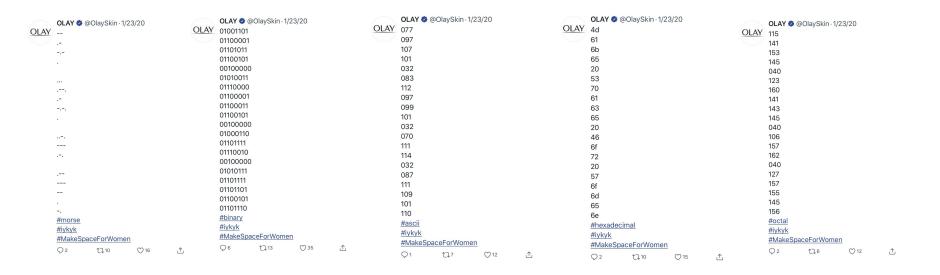
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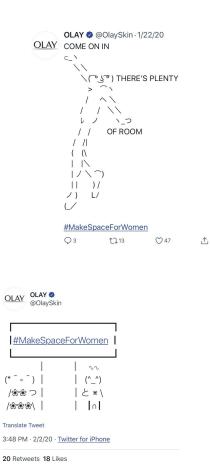


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TAKING UP ALL THE SPACE







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Collective Impact

CREATIVE CONSULTANT

Collective Impact: Election 2020 DLCC Fundraising / Supreme Court Confirmation

- Progressive non-profit partnering with a network of over 600 influencer and celebrity partners with large followings on Twitter and Instagram
- Create weekly organic Twitter & Instagram campaigns to raise funds and spread awareness
- MY TASK: write copy for a tweet-tree campaign that leverages the confirmation of Supreme Court Justice Amy Coney Barrett to raise funds for down-ballot progressive candidates
- RESULTS: the largest single day of fundraising in the history of the DLCC, earned media in the LA Times and other major news outlets



NÜTRL

FREELANCE COPYWRITER, ANHEUSER-BUSCH

Anheuser-Busch NÜTRL Hard Seltzer Instagram Copy

Contribute multiple copy options for images selected by in-house marketing team











My Big Big Stuff

WHAT A JOKE

A National Comedy Fest Supporting the ACLU

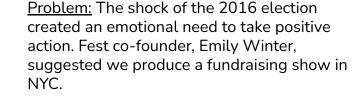
Because seriously, what a joke.

Co-founder

Roles:

- Fest concept
- Fest name & tagline
- Logo concept
- Web design & content
- Email marketing
- NYC show production
- Press interviews

 Performing at and hosting NYC shows



The Bigger Picture: My Facebook feed was filled with comedians in other cities also grasping for ways to take action.

Instead of one local show, what if we partner with comedians across the country - a coordinated weekend of comedy, nationwide, to support the ACLU?



BUY A HAT

CITIES & SHOWS

WHAT A JOKE

A National Comedy Fest Supporting the ACLU Because seriously, what a joke. Co-founder

Results:

- Announced fest with 21 cities on board
- Word spread on social media: fest grew to 88 shows in 34 cities, including Oxford, England, over Inauguration Day weekend
- Demand for hats as merch arose from logo design
- Unity, connection, support, and relief
- Raised over 50K for the ACLU

Email blasts



Press links

Splitsider / Vulture The AV Club **Phoenix New Times** Christian Science Monitor

Hats



What a Joke: A National Comedy Festival

Posted by Jenn Welch December 23, 2016 · 🕙

You asked for it, you've got it. The "What a Joke" red baseball cap is officially for sale on our site, \$30 plus shipping / tax. Ten percent of the profits from the hats will be donated to the ACLU Nationwide, supplementing the money we raise via ticket sales, donations, and silent auctions at over fifty live comedy shows happening across the country on Inauguration Day Weekend. The remaining profits will be used to support What a Joke: A National Comedy Fest Supporting the ACLU. Buying a hat is a great way to

help us help you help the ACLU!

Buy your "WHAT A JOKE" cap here: http://bit.ly/2hahqGY





2 Comments



@deaddadtinder

"It's been two weeks since my dad

died and I'm still single!"

Creator

<u>Platforms</u> Instagram Tumblr



Problem:

My dad died.

I was very single.

You can't go on Tinder while you're grieving.

Or can you?

The Bigger Picture:

I'm not the first person to navigate dating while grieving.

If I find a way to laugh at my situation, can I help other people find humor in theirs?

@deaddadtinder

"It's been two weeks since my dad died and I'm still single!"

The Solution:

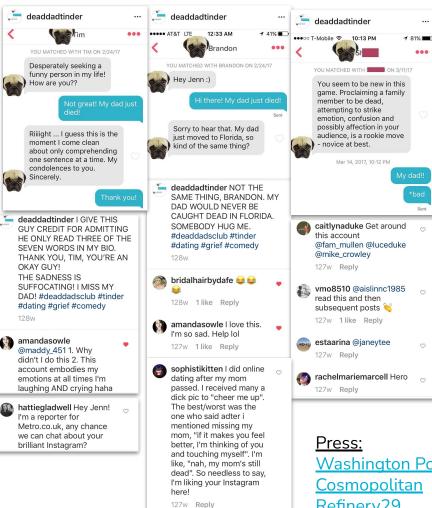
- Add "My dad just died" to my Tinder bio
- Tell all my Tinder matches my dad just died
- Post convo screenshots to Instagram and Tumblr

The Results:

- Account went viral within two posts
- International Press
- Amazing comments from people who get it



dad just died - and since a lot





Washington Post Cosmopolitan Refinery29

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#SpacePugSafeSpace

Calming Pugs in Outer Space Creator

<u>Platforms</u> Google Chrome Extension



Problem:

The first days of the #MeToo movement were amazing and empowering, but I couldn't go on the internet without seeing an image of a sexual predator. You can choose not to read an article when you need a break, but you can't avoid thumbnail images.

The Bigger Picture:

Survivors of sexual assault are the largest population of people with PTSD. Constant exposure to PTSD triggers is incredibly damaging to mental and physical health.

What can I do to add some silliness to this whole awful news cycle so that the Internet is less triggering to myself and other survivors?

#SpacePugSafeSpace

Calming Pugs in Outer Space Creator

The Solution

Used computer-nerd skills to write a Google Chrome Extension that replaces images of sexual predators with silly images I made of my pug in Outer Space.



Weinstein's 30-year pattern of abuse in Hollywood.





The Results:

- Shared a link to the extension on my Facebook and Twitter
- Immediately was contacted for an interview by a writer from The Daily Dot
- One day later
 #SpacePugSafeSpace was
 written up in <u>Bustle</u>, <u>Hello</u>
 <u>Giggles</u>, <u>Yahoo!</u>, and more.

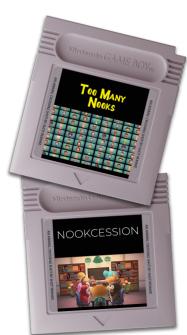


Animal Crossing Remakes

Shot-by-shot recreations of my favorite videos Creator

<u>Platforms</u> YouTube

Tools Nintendo Switch Nintendo 3DS Premiere Pro Various iOS apps





Problem:

I had way too much free time.

The Bigger Picture:

Like, wayyy too much free time.

What's a girl with decent content-creation skills and an Animal Crossing addiction supposed to do with all this free time?

Animal Crossing Remakes

Shot-by-shot recreations of my favorite videos Creator

The Solution

I turned Animal Crossing: New Horizons to my own personal studio lot, complete with green screen facilities.

(Too Many Nooks / Nine Inch Nooks / Nookcession)

I found fandom-created audio files of character voices and game sounds that I could use as midi instruments in GarageBand to create ACNH versions of the original videos' music. (Nine Inch Nooks / Nookcession)

I used the Augmented Reality camera on my Nintendo 3DS to film "retired" character models from previous Animal Crossing games against backdrops built on my Nintendo Switch to add a bit of analog authenticity to the "home video" footage. (Nookcession)

In other words, I kept myself very busy.

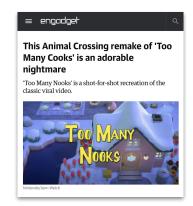






The Results:

- Posted videos to my YouTube channel, shared on socials and Reddit.
- My "Too Many Nooks" and "Nine Inch Nooks" videos were written up in <u>Paste Magazine</u>, <u>Engadget</u>, <u>Game</u> Informer, and more.
- Over 70k views on YouTube



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