

# What platforms should I use?

## WHAT PLATFORMS SHOULD I USE?

Where are your current and potential audience?

Pick a platform that suits your content

Be realistic about what you and your group can sustain







- Good fit for young age group people very engaged
- Good fit for video/photo content
- Good for developing your brand personality
- Getting easier to sell through as a small account
- Highly-engaged base
- BUT smaller no. of users
- The place for professional discussion, arguments and breaking news
- Not really your target age groups

- Hard (for me) to develop content so might be a big commitment
- Hard for local content to cut through to the right people
- Possibly better for reaching new people
- Good for your age group

# What's important for getting started?



A film is only as good as the people behind it... A film is not a display of how amazing a director is but more so a showcase of how beautiful collaboration is.

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#### Bit of a vague bio ?

Clear link to their sales page. Fine if your only selling one thing. Otherwise maybe try Link Tree

Misses two chances to introduce itself: A Story highlight and pinned grid carousel.

# Bleurgh! But what should l post?







#### **Build a Community**



#### Film Promo

- Film Stills
- Posters (old and new)
- Trailers
- Trivia
- Competition
- Star Fashion
- Reviews
- Interviews
- Quotes
- Info
- How to get there
- How to buy
- Countdown to big day

#### **Our Activity**

- Photos/Videos of past events
- Stories of the event (on stories)
- Big success
   Message!

   (Sold
   out/Great
   Crowd/
   Record turn out!
- Reactions from audience!

#### **Build a Community**

- Promote other good local events/filmmak ers!
- Or national opportunties for young people
- Jump on a meme
  - (carefully)
- Recommendati ons of films/articles/ websites

#### How often should I post? How can I schedule?





# How often to post?

- There's no right answer!
- Be regular! (but don't go mad)
- You'll naturally want to ramp up frequency when you have an event coming up
- But don't abandon your account when you're not actively promoting!
- Schedule posts! (Later, FB Business Suite, Sprout)

# The Hungry Hungry Algorithm

What is it? What does it want? What does it do?





#### Q. What does the Algorithm want? Is it the same thing you want?

It wants you to come up with content that keeps your followers on the platform so that it can make them (and you) look at ads for longer and gather data about them while they're there.



### How can I satisfy this monster?

- It wants you to provoke likes, comments, flick throughs on stories and carousels
- Conversing Engaging back when people engage
- Polls/Questions on Stories
- Carousels (users flicking through)
- Stories
- Reels
- Think about longer form content which people may want to bookmark



## What about what I want? How can I get more followers?



- Consolidate your base Invite people that you know or you know have previously attended events
- Hashtags research local hashtags that people actually use or #dontbother (or do it just for fun)
- Tell people IRL at events to follow you and tag you with user-generated content
- Collaborate with other organisations ask people if they'll promote, offer to cross-promote or even better create real partnerships with organisations that will bring new people to your events
- Make sure that your core group is sharing content for you on their personal pages

How to design things for social? What to keep in mind?

## I'm not a graphic designer, what should I do to get started?



- Free accounts on Canva let you do a lot
- Very easy to use and to learn
- Easy to resize for different platforms & sizes (e.g. stories)
- You can import your own photos to work on
- Even better with a pro account which isn't very expensive

• Big library of elements (photos, graphics, shapes)

## Key things to think about when designing

- Try to decide on and keep a consistent set of colours and fonts so you have a consistent personality
- You often don't need your logo for social posts because it's hopefully already there in your profile and username
- If you're using text you often want nice thick text that jumps out at people on their phones
- Make things align nicely
  - Think about colour contrast (Think about colour contrast)

### **YFP Outdoor** Mcet-Up

At the Martin Scorcese Park, 7th July, 7.30pm





Text sits on part of image that is readable

## Semi-transparent box

#### YFP OUTDOOR MEETUP

At the Martin Scorcese Park 7th July, 7.30pm



#### Slightly lifted effect text on shape

Book

Now



**Book Now** 

Another option!



## **Core design principles**

#### **Unity & Variety**









## **Core design principles**

#### Hierarchy

#### **Scale & Proportion**





## **Core design principles**



#### **Emphasis**





# Write how can I things? (Copywriting)



# Copywriting

- Yes it's good to be fun and persuasive
- But it's also really important to be brief
- Be informative
- Think about the information an audience member or potential group member needs
- Keep the references open and don't get too in-jokey because people will feel excluded

#### Info Proofing Checklist for Copy (and design)

- Date
- Time
- Location
- Who is it for? Who is eligible?
- What's happening? Is it clear what to expect?
- How do I book/join
- How much?
- Tags
- Funders
- Make sure to proof names are easy to get wrong!
- It's not always about what's there as what's not there! That's why you use a checklist.

#### **Building Urgency**

#### Just three days to go until...

Last few tickets...

Get in before the deadline...



#### We're almost sold out but

# Last chance to get involved..

## FOMO is coming but you can still...

The countdown has begun...

#### **Be inviting**

# Join us for a spectacular night at...

We are always looking for new members

Get involved in...



Become a YFP and share your love of film

# Be a part of an incredible...

#### We think you'll love...

# It's so easy to join the team

Book now. Link in bio!

Sign up for our newsletter



#### **Call to action!**

#### Email us for more info

#### DM us to find out how to join

#### Tag a friend that loves horror!

#### Grab a £3 ticket on the door!

Learn more



# Thanks for coming!