# Using your brand personality + storytelling to connect with customers

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#### Agenda

- Introductions
- How to define your customer and create your brand
- Social media use and visual merchandising tips
- How to use storytelling
- Q & A



### Defining your brand















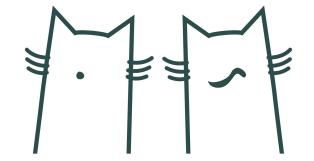




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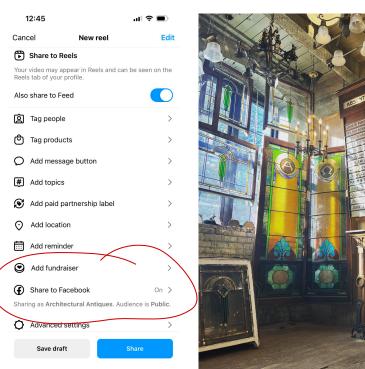
VINTAGE + MODERN HOME GOODS







#### Social media and visual merchandising



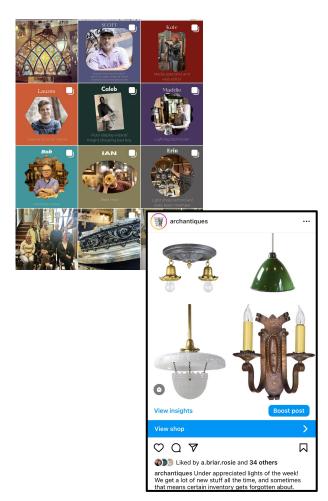


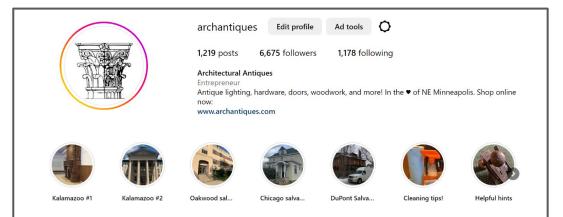


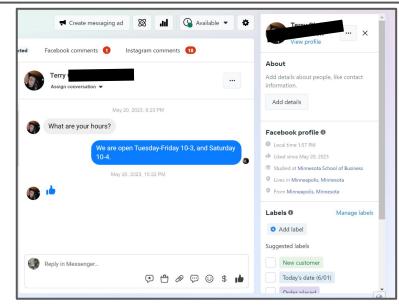


archantiques Believe it or not, this isn't photoshop magic! These sinks are really small, just under 9" square. Made by Crane, we think these may... more



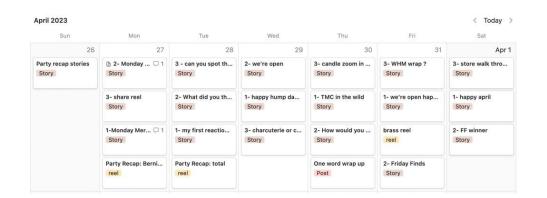








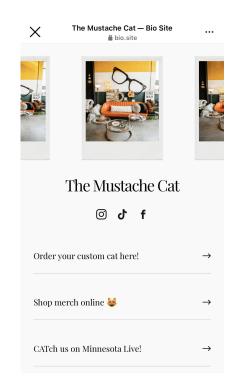
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#### Storytelling to connect with customers

	1 3411 BLOCK	K 13 ADD.	Remington Park 1st Div		
PERMIT NO.	CONSTRUCTION	DATE	CONTRACTOR	COST	О. К.
B 55900	-28x32 Fr.Dwlg.	7-15-03	P.A. Olson	3550.	
D 21420	Plbg.	8-24-03	B. H. Nelson	300.	8-27-03
B 92784	16x16 Fr.Gar.			d	
	14x28 Fr. porch	5-5-11	C.B.Enkema	600.	
F 41460	Elec.	5-26-11	J. O. Laird	55.	
F 54661	Elec.	4-24-13	Bell Elec. Co.	75.	
F 54833	Elec.	6-1-13	Mpls. Gas Fix. Co.	100.	
D 79945	Plbg.	9-24-14	M.Cogwin	75.	
B 128941	16x12 Fr. Pri.Gar.	8-9-17	C. B. Enkema	150.	5
F 199944	Elec.	11-10-25	R. J. Hamilton	30.	11-20-25
F 258521	Elec.	11-17-32	E.F.Seestrom	320.	11-28-32
400348		7-29-48	M. Mattson	5.	
-12628	Grav.W.A.Htg.	2-2-49 .	Economy Furnace Co.		
421157	Transf. for gas	2-9-49	Bates Elec. Co.	15.	
-45386	Inst. gas burner	2-21-49	Economy Gas Installe	rs 575.	
2-1,21,080	Alts. to service				
	& misc. reprs.	4-14-49	Bates Elec. Service	75.	
D 430918	repl. fixts.	3-2-50	Sam. Brown	350.	
B324575	Storage shed	11-6-51	Frank Brodin	125.	

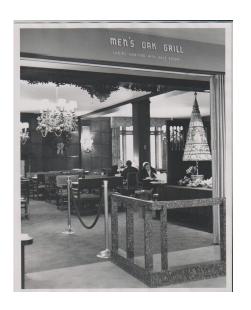








#### **Dayton's Department Store**









#### Nazareth College in Kalamazoo, Michigan









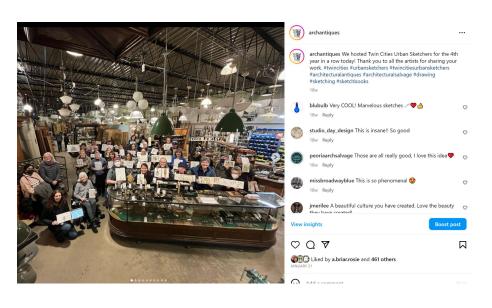








#### <u>Urban Sketchers</u>



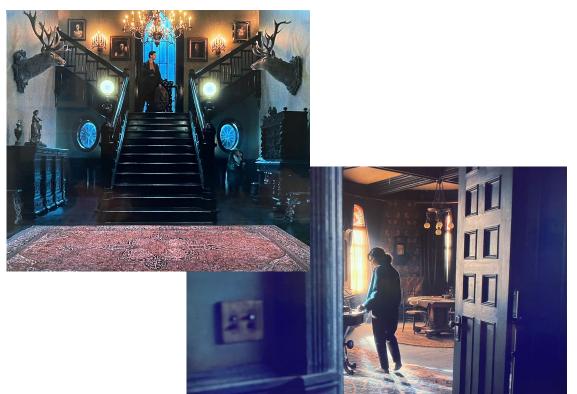








#### Guillermo del Toro's Cabinet of Curiosities







#### Other behind the scenes at our store

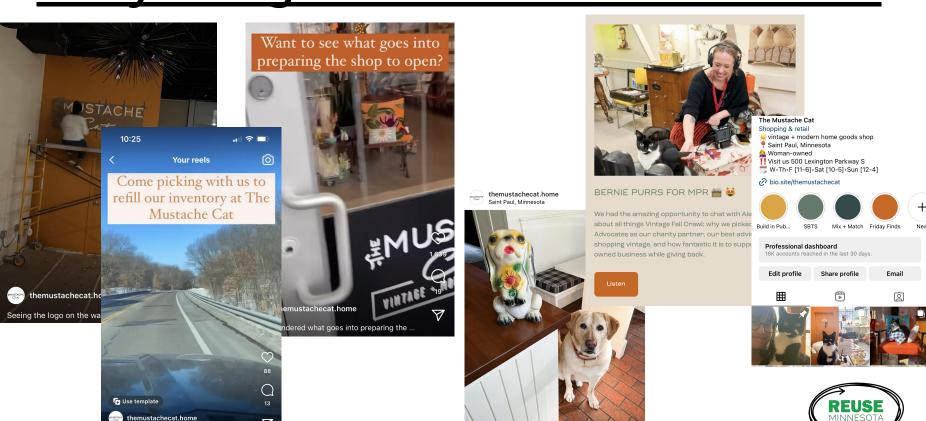








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A day in the life: picking edition .

#### Upcoming events

- 6/26: Hosting swaps and fix-it clinics | 11am 12:15pm | Mantorville, MN
- 7/14: Virtual speed networking | 12:15 1pm | Zoom
  - 8/4: Speaker series Creating a culture of inclusion | 9 10am | Zoom
- 10/3 10/4: REUSE23 Conference | Twin Cities
  - 11/17: Speaker series Indigenous models of sustainability | 9 10am | Zoom

reusemn.org/events



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## Takeaways & notes from presentation

- Follow others with like-minded brands/businesses = networking & post ideas
- Your customers may follow you because they like your business philosophy or your visual presentation
- Prioritize which media channels you want to focus on
- Brand persona = how you need to "talk" to your audience
- 3 words exercise list 30 words that you want your brand/service to be, whittle that down in half, and again, until you are down to 3 words; use these words to guide you through your logo/brand/website/language, this can be an ongoing exercise
- Social media post ideas: before & afters, timelapses, staff posts, highlights, share what you do, behind the scenes, share the unperfect moments, be relatable
- Visual merchandising ideas: vignettes, show how your products/services/ideas can be used in a setting
- Visual merchandising resources: @smallbusinessgrowthclub, @thecreativebodega, @thedivinegroup
- Planning app: Notion, https://www.notion.so/

