

# **Integrated Marketing**

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# Integrated Marketing: Understanding the Terminology



### What is Integrated Marketing?

Strategy aimed at <u>unifying different marketing</u> methods such as mass marketing, one-to-one marketing, and direct marketing. Its objective is to **complement and reinforce** the market impact of each method, and to employ the market data generated by these efforts in product development, pricing, distribution, customer service, etc. (businessdictionary.com)

# Integrated Marketing:

Easy Steps to Success (Part One)

### Step #1: DOCUMENTATION

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### Step #2: MEDIA PROMOTION

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### Step #3: COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

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# Integrated Marketing: Step #1: Documentation



### Take Pictures and Write Down Stories

- Don't forget to obtain a signed media release!
- PICTURES are worth more than 1,000 words! Pictures give a glimpse inside the efforts, convey emotion, and rally support
- A success story? A unique event? Write it down! In order to promote awareness you need to be able to personalize it
- Send out a memo! This is a TEAM effort we must create a communications culture in our organizations. We are our own brand ambassadors; it starts with US!
- SHARE! Share the stories and the pictures! Put them on your website, get them up on social media, send them to KPFP! Submit them to the media! Write a newsletter to supporters!



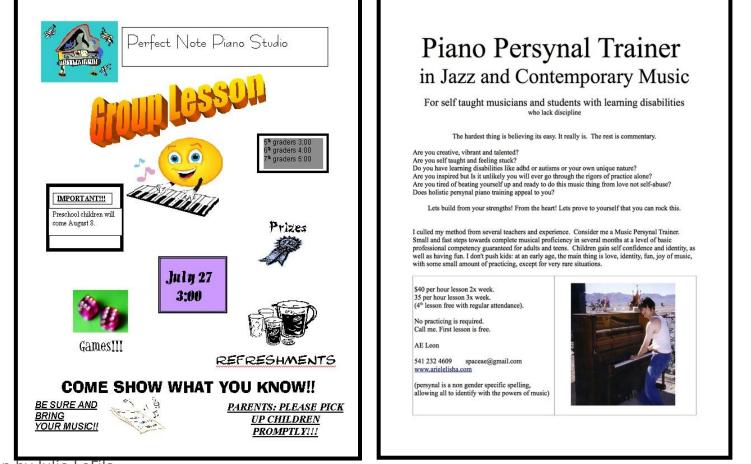


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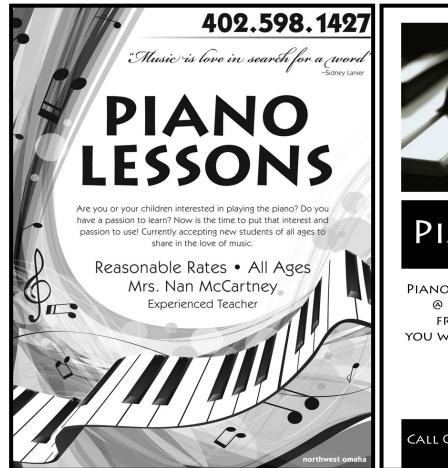
- Media Relations is about being <u>intentional</u>. If we have a story that we want to be heard, we must be PROACTIVE and seek out various relationships and opportunities to promote it.
- Not just about the Press Release! This is a GREAT and needed form of promotion, but it is only ONE form – must implement more
- Your PRESENTATION is important! Is your website updated regularly? In order for your web presence to be effective it must be current – if not, you will not gain the reader's trust.
- Fliers are a VERY big deal. Whether it is hung on a storefront, posted online, or sent via email the more Presentation BOFESSIONAL the flier looks, the better!



Step #2: Media Promotion









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### When Creating Promotional Material

#### Follow the natural flow of your eyes

Readers read left to right, starting at the top of the page going to the bottom. Your publication should follow this model.

#### Use simple and easy to read format

Readers scan through page to find useful information. Laborious and heavy texts are tiring to read. Break up long sentences and difficult ideas.

### Avoid overlapping text and illustrations

This helps the eyes isolate the lines and forms of the text from those of the illustrations behind it. Overlapping text is tiring for the eyes to read.

#### Keep your logo formatted correctly

Keep the CORRECT dimensions and the CORRECT colors



- Include eye catching graphics and illustrations
  - Colors and images attract the eyes to ensure a good first impression

#### Clearly display your message

- Creatively use placement, fonts, and images to direct the reader to the most important parts of your message. Note: limit of 2-3 fonts
- Direct your customers to your website, phone, address
  - The important part of marketing is a call to action. Your flyer

should never neglect to include your contact information

Note: most common fonts are Times New Roman and Arial.





### Create Awareness & Opportunities through all Media!

Social Media outlets provide ways for users, just like YOU, to use THEIR voice and write THEIR own messages for the world to see. Social media is a dialogue where individuals discuss everything from the best cup of coffee to world peace. Social media has created a new normal because EVERYONE is an author. No longer is media just about listening; it is now about *engaging*, *discussing*, and *commenting* ourselves. Social media is a two-way street.

### Use Social Media Tools to execute your mission

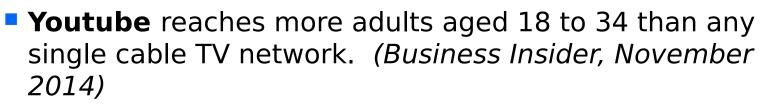
Share the great stories of your work, engage in conversation <u>about the CAUSE</u>, help the community understand the need for your programs and services, be Presentation by Julie Lefils what you do!

# Integrated Marketing:



### Know Your Audience!

- Who are you trying to reach? This is the FIRST question you must ask before you do anything. EVERYTHING must be catered to your target audience – including social media.
- Facebook is the first step to engaging in Social Media. This is still the #1 form of Social Media. Primary audience is adults.
  - FIRST STEP: Making sure all staff 'Like' the your page and have them share it with friends! Staff, Volunteers, and Supporters are your BRAND AMBASSADORS
  - Find other community causes to promote on your page
  - Post regularly on the page (multiple times a week) and make sure people 'like' and 'share' the events, photos, and comments



VIDEOS take things to a whole new level! Now most phones have the capability to edit and create professional videos.

Twitter was created to share thoughts in the moment

Twitter is a site for immediate interaction all across the globe. By inventing the 'hashtag' (#), a symbol used to virtually brand particular topic or event. Twitter has become an online world of its own. A great tool for creating social change and cause intiatives.

Instagram enables users to add a stylized flare to pictures and share them with the world in a touch of a button.
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Capitalizing on the hashtag (#) phenomenon. Instagram

Increased involvement within the community through local interagency groups, membership organizations, and ties to a community-wide strategic plan can help organizations promote continued growth and collaboration in the communities in which they operate. -SMART.ORG

# TWO PARTS:

# Getting involved in the Community AND

# **Getting the Community Involved**

### Ways to get involved in the community:

- Interagency groups (Such as KPFP!)
- Training/Workshops
- Non-profit networking
- Tabling at Events
- Professional groups
- Event Participation
- CAUSE opportunities

### Ways to get the community involved:

- Open Houses (Invite local leadership and Stakeholders)
- Facility Tours
- Luncheons, Ice Cream Socials, etc
- Volunteer Opportunities
- Friends & Family Events
- CAUSE opportunities

- Dictionary defines intentional as: "Done deliberately; on purpose"
  - Integrated Marketing is not done naturally
  - Extra effort is involved in the beginning
  - BUT soon it can become habitual
  - You have to actively make it happen
  - DOCUMENT your program's efforts
  - Analyze and Review

### Key to Successful Friend-Raiser is Follow-Up

- Thank you letter from the event's speaker or organization leader
- Call from staff member asking for participant feedback
- Add participant to mailing lists for holiday cards, etc. (Note: Do not automatically add anyone to an email distribution list without their consent)
- Invitation to a true fundraiser or other event
- Prepare a year-long cultivation plan for each participant or group of participants

-Molly Schar, Suite101.com

#### Saying Thank You goes a LONG way!

- 1. Write a Greeting Card, Not a Business Letter: The best nonprofit thank yous feel friendly, warm, and personal. And yet they are still relatively short.
- 2. Share Recent Progress, However Small: Your supporters want to know that they matter. So give them little gems of progress that show that with their support you are bringing about positive change
- 3. Add an Invitation—But Not to Something That Requires Another Donation! You want your supporters to stay on with you, so invite them to do so, without asking for another financial donation.

(Kivi Leroux Miller, NonprofitMarketingGuide.com)

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- 4. Use a More Creative, Personal Opening: Forget "On behalf of" or "Thank you for" and start your letters with a more creative and personal opening. Try something like "You made my day" on one line by itself. Then jump into a story.
- 5. Include Results-Oriented Photography: Including photos, either in the body of the letter or stuffed in the envelope, will make an instant connection between your donor and your work.
- 6. Record a Video Message: Have the staff/clients/volunteers record a thank-you to electronically send- this thank you will also show the great work being done.

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- 7. Send a Postcard from Behind the Scenes: What if your program staff took some photos during the course of their everyday work out of the public eye and turned those into personalized postcards for your supporters?
- 8. Be Specific about How the Gift Is Being Used: Very quickly but clearly describe a specific program where the gift will be used.
- 9. Change Who's Saying Thank You: If you have clients who benefit from programs funded by individual donations, ask a few clients to explain in their own words how your organization has changed their lives and to thank the donor for making it all possible.

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- Events are the PERFECT way to allow the community to see WHO WE ARE and WHAT WE DO!
- In order to raise FUNDS, we first have to raise FRIENDS!
  - Open Houses, Walk-a-thons, Luncheons, Carnivals, Volunteer Opportunities, Health Fairs, Etc....
  - 'Friend-raisers' are just as important as 'Fund-raisers'
  - Small events can be as valuable/successful as large events
  - At every opportunity, get contact information! We want to the community to stay involved with WestCare!
- With each event you MUST ask yourself what is the ACTION step? What do I want attendees to do, think, or feel? Let THIS drive your whole event!



#### Getting Started

- What is the purpose? To raise funds? To raise awareness? To celebrate? To educate? To inform? To gather opinions?
- Who is on the team? A strong leader AND a strong team should be around the table. Depending on the scale of the event, the Steering Committee can include 3-10 people. Remember, building a team beyond just the staff and board is a good way of increasing awareness of the event.
- <u>What is your timeline</u>? From the beginning, a timeline is key. Set goals on when things should be accomplished. Document everything.



#### Committee Responsibilities

- Publicity Responsible for publicizing the event both internally (preparing information for the newsletter, and website and other communications vehicles) and externally (the media and other outside organizations). This member or subcommittee might also work on obtaining a proclamation from the government for the celebration.
- Sponsorships/Underwriting Responsible for generating corporate support of the celebration, which might range from sponsorship of the entire event to the purchase of special VIP tables.
- <u>Awards</u> Responsible for determining who will be honored at the celebration. While you may honor any appropriate individual or organization, focus on the reason for the honor and determine the categories to be honored.

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-Carol Davies, Davies and Associates



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- Administration/Registration Responsible for ticket sales (in coordination with the Sponsorships/Underwriting chair), registration and table assignments for the event. Usually responsible for event logistics, such as food, schedule and timing of the event, and other matters.
- Printed Materials Responsible for the creation and purchase of awards, certificates, program, brochure, flier and other materials. This responsibility is sometimes merged with the Publicity function.

-Carol Davies, Davies and Associates

# Integrated Marketing Step #4: Events

### Suggested Timeline

#### 7 months out

Planning committee with co-chairs Recruit committee members Announcement to staff and board of directors and other stakeholders

#### 5 months out

<u>Committee Meeting</u> Send out initial letters for proclamations Confirm site, caterer etc. Finish recruiting committee members

#### 6 months out

Committee Meeting (Two weeks later) Clean-up mailing lists Identify possible sites Develop public relations/ marketing plans Discuss education program components Develop an event budget

#### 4 months out

<u>Committee Meeting</u> Awards Committee meeting ers Two weeks later -Carol Daning, Reyrics and Associates

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#### 3 months out

<u>Committee Meeting</u> Obtain special invitation lists from sponsors, underwriters, and honorees Print invitations and return cards

#### 4 weeks before

<u>Committee Meeting</u> Mail invitations Finalize arrangements at site

#### 1 week before

<u>Committee Meeting</u> Print Program and name tags

#### 2 months out

<u>Committee Meeting</u> Two weeks later Request and secure congratulation letters Secure complimentary tickets Identify presenters/introducers

#### 3 weeks before

Press releases Plan committee luncheon

#### After the event

Mail thank-you letters Follow-up publicity -Carol Davies, Davies and Associates



#### Building Up to the Event

- Get the Community Involved BEFOREHAND! (more than a flyer)
  - USE Social Media start a contest! Give a tickets as the prize! Example for United Way: Submit your Prom Photo! Then give the winner tickets and hang all the submissions at the event!
  - ENGAGE Businesses and Schools Ask Businesses/schools to get involved by helping with a portion of the event. Businesses provide the 'giveaway' prize with their logo. Schools create the backdrop with their logo, etc.
  - Create mini-events- Promote your big event with mini-events that the media can follow. Maybe volunteer opportunities, awards, flash mob, sign-ups, etc.





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