

### **Earning Eyeballs + Why It Matters**

## Consumers view earned media as the most authentic form of marketing.

**65%** 

consider journalists, academics and experts as a go-to-source for brand info – right behind their family and friends.

56%

think brands spend too much time looking for ways to force them to pay attention and not enough time thinking of ways to make them want to pay attention. **73%** 

of marketers affirm that earned media contributes greatly to customer loyalty efforts, building brand awareness and sustaining brand health.

# So, What Makes a Story Newsworthy?

### They Get Me – They *Really* Get Me

Stories that get to a real human insight or truth – that's relatable to the masses or a targeted audience – win the hearts of media and can generate some serious social buzz.





Reese's created a machine to swap out all the Halloween treats you hate

#### **FOOD&WINE**

Reese's Created a 'Candy Exchange Vending Machine' to Swap Out All the Halloween Treats You Hate



Reese's Candy Exchange Vending Machine Is Here to Revolutionize Halloween and Swap Unwanted Treats

DON'T LIKE YOUR HALLOWEEN HAUL? REESE'S HAS A CANDY MACHINE FOR THAT





### Wait, What?!

Unexpected and culturally relevant content and activations that make media and consumers say, "wait, what?" command media attention and drive consumer brand love.



Bonnie Tyler will perform 'Total Eclipse of the Heart' during total solar eclipse





### HUFFPOST

Bonnie Tyler Will Sing Her Hit 'Total Eclipse of the Heart' During The Eclipse

### billboard

Bonnie Tyler Will Perform 'Total Eclipse of the Heart' on a Cruise Ship During the Total Solar Eclipse



Bonnie Tyler Will Sing 'Total Eclipse of the Heart' During the Actual Eclipse

### So, What?

What's the "so, what?" for readers.

Media want to tell their story and incite consumers to be a part of it – whether it's an e-commerce play, IRL experience or social call-to-action.











## FAST CMPANY JetBlue will deliver N.Y.C. pizzas to L.A. for \$15 or less

### Oh My [Gasp]...

Media and consumers love a good surprise and delight – but it needs to be culturally relevant, captured in the moment – and be authentic.









Chance the Rapper Surprises Riders as He Poses as a Lyft Driver for His SocialWorks Charity

### **RollingStone**

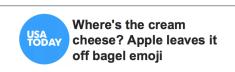
Watch Chance the Rapper Go Undercover as Lyft Driver

Rapper pretends to be bad freestyler in video to spotlight ridesharing app's partnership with New Chance Fund



### **#TrendingNow**

Brands that capture and respond to what's happening in-the-moment on social media grab media attention and consumer mindshare.

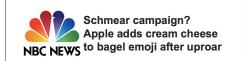


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Apple Realizes the Error of Its Ways, Gives Us the Bagel Emoji We Deserve







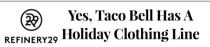




### Don't Hate, Collaborate

An on-brand collaboration – in partnership with a relevant cultural figure or brand – timed to the right moment in time gets attention.







Tipsy Elves Offers a Taco Bellthemed Onesie For the Holiday

### THRILLIST

Taco Bell's New Holiday Collection Includes This Spicy Fire Sauce Onesie



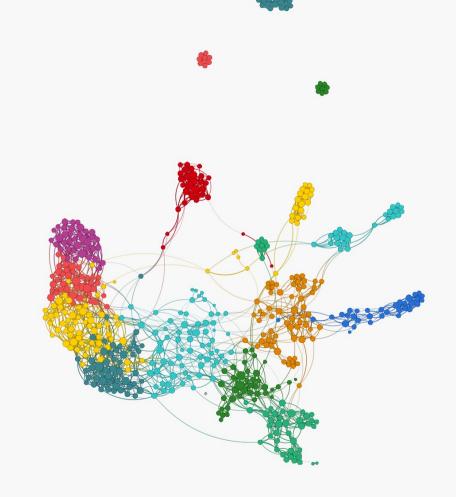






### Where's Your Next Opportunity?

It's time to mine stories and online chatter to find a current-day conversation that's ownable for your brand—identify your 'whitespace'. Reach out to media@rfbinder.com learn more about our insights-driven approach to earning eyeballs and leading the conversation.



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