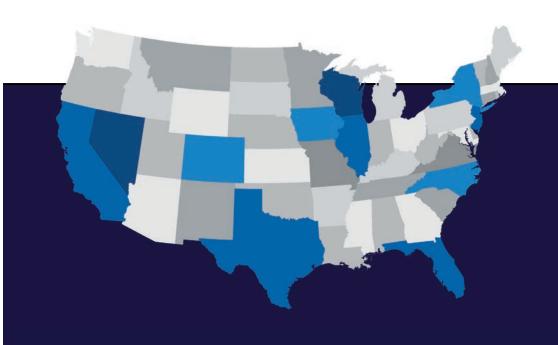




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# **Cheers to The Fifty!**

Ad Club Colorado's annual celebration of the most breakthrough creative work. Each year, we gather to magnify the ideas that inspire us to push boundaries and think outside the box without compromising creativity. This year, we've made a meaningful change, one that reflects our ever-evolving creative community.

For the first time, submissions were open to any work, as long as it was touched by someone living in Colorado. From bold concepts to beautifully crafted campaigns, we're celebrating entries that were conceived, born, or nurtured right here in Colorado. If just one person involved in bringing an idea to life calls this state home, it had the chance to win.

This shift highlights a larger truth: creativity can be limitless through connection and collaboration, and the brilliance that shapes our industry extends far beyond this amazing state that so many of us are fortunate to call home.

This year's Fifty isn't just a showcase of exceptional work; it's a testament to the power of inclusion and collaboration. By broadening our reach, we're fostering a bigger, stronger creative community, one that challenges us all to think differently and push further.

Here's to celebrating the ideas made in Colorado! Not just the place, but the people who live here. Together, we continue to prove that when creativity is cultivated through inclusion and connection, the results are nothing short of amazing.

Here's to the work, the talent, and the possibilities of what's to come!

Sandy Hazzard, President Ad Club Colorado
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# PARTY LAND



# **JANSPORT**

#### **ALWAYS WITH YOU**

Since 1967, JanSport backpacks have been an unassuming sidekick, showing up everywhere life unfolds. Our latest campaign, "Always With You," ages up the brand for college-aged Gen Z by turning this ubiquity into a comedic anthem series on TikTok. Knowing 78% of Gen Z is more likely to share humorous content, we created catchy, relatable songs capturing those hilariously mundane (and sometimes cringe) moments where a JanSport is always there—whether in a subway, a farmer's stand, or even the bathroom stall.

By embracing absurdity, we remind audiences that JanSport is, quite literally, made for everything. The unpolished, deadpan anthems showcase the backpack's role in real life, not some polished ad fantasy. And it's working: purchase intent is up by 71%, and engagement is 385% above last year. JanSport's.

#### CREDITS

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"There were so many great entries! My top pick is the "Always with You" work for Jansport. The insight is great. The execution is great. The spots are funny. They've taken a kind of old school product and breathed some cool into it. The original music and lyrics rule. Everything felt right and very unexpected at the same time. That's a great crossroads at which to find yourself. Hadn't seen this work before and I'm so happy you invited me to judge this show because a few of the pieces, especially this one, are going to stick with me and be a reference for years to come."

"My "Judge's Choice" goes to JanSport's "Always with You" campaign. I love that, at their heart, they're unhinged little product demos. The ridiculous scenarios and perfectly (not) on-pitch songs lift them above the crowd."

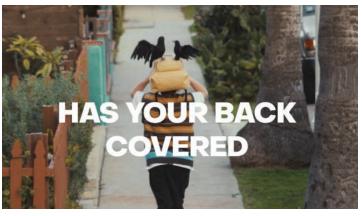
- Janay Blazejewski,

- Allison Apperson













## THE ONE TWO



# WESTERN COLORADO COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

YOUR PHONE DOESN'T NEED YOU. THEY DO.

The average working parent spends more time on their phone than with their baby, even though the first 1,000 days of life are crucial for lifelong mental health and well-being. How can we raise awareness about the impact of phone use on our youngest family members? We provided Colorado parents with a lifeline—a targeted, social-media-first approach designed to help them break free from endless scrolling and focus on what truly matters.

CREDITS

Dan Delli-Colli Creative Director, Dan Delli-Colli Copy Writer, Dan Delli-Colli Illustrator, Fabrications and Lies Animation, Greg Jesse Web Developer, Michelle Roche Strategy

"I have to give the edge to Heads Up Parenting for a couple of reasons: the message - which is incredibly timely and relevant - is brought to life in a memorable and impactful way. From the nursery rhyme lines that get stuck in your head to the emotionally evocative illustrations, the craft of the campaign is unmatched. It's the kind of work that really hits you in the feels, especially if you're the target of the campaign."

- Austin O'Connor





























# FUTURISTIC FILMS



# GREAT OUTDOORS COLORADO

#### **LEGENDS**

To celebrate over three decades of Great Outdoors Colorado's historic contributions to the outdoors, we took a documentary approach to crafting a brand film that memorializes the organization's foresight and leadership in protecting, preserving, and enhancing our State.

In-depth conversations with legendary Coloradans, including GOCO co-founders Roy Romer and Ken Salazar, tell the origin story of the organization and how the Great Outdoors Colorado mission is possible thanks to passionate partners across the state, the residents of Colorado, and the Colorado Lottery.

A combination of intimate interviews, archival footage, present-day scenes, and 8mm film pays homage to Colorado's outdoor heritage and GOCO's continued commitment to accessibility and education around our State's greatest legacy.

#### CREDITS

Futuristic Films Production and Post, Brendan Young Director, Christian Silberbauer Executive Producer, Will Gardner Director of Photography, Sam Sigler Associate Producer, Dylan Stephens Head of Development, Brittany Horwege Head of Post, Emma Harris Production Coordinator, Mathison Davis Editor, Jonnie Sirotek Colorist, Roy Romer, Rebecca Frank, Ruth Wright, Ken Salazar, Sydney Macy GOCO Legends

The Post Haus Audio Mix, Jackie Miller Executive Director - GOCO, Rosemary Dempsey Director of Communications - GOCO, Diane Metzger Communications Manager - GOCO, Crystal Medrano Communications Associate - GOCO

"There have been a few great pieces on this year's entries. But the one that ultimately rose to the top for me is Legends. Identifying the story is only the first step in making a great film, getting everyone on board to make it, and piecing the story together in such a beautiful way. It really moved and inspired me. Ultimately, I think it's a timeless piece of work that will inspire new generations to join the movement, a real piece of entertainment that will transcend time and the specific assignment, taking a life of its own. Bravo."

- Ignasi Tudela



## PARTY LAND



# **MEN'S WEARHOUSE**

#### LOVE THE WAY YOU LOOK

For nearly 40 years, Men's Wearhouse was synonymous with George Zimmer's "You're gonna love the way you look." But as their audience aged and Gen Z gravitated toward online retailers, the brand needed a fresh spark. Enter our bold revamp. Guided by audience insights—like the newfound confidence customers feel seeing themselves dressed up—we introduced a protagonist embodying that feeling, a humorous, larger-than-life guy who's ready for anything in his new look.

We gave Men's Wearhouse a smart, comedic brand voice, evolved its design identity, refreshed in-store displays, and reimagined social with a confident edge. From quick-hit :06s to full-minute videos, every spot reasserted Men's Wearhouse as a style destination.

Results speak volumes: unaided awareness tripled, knowledge expanded beyond suits, and purchase intent skyrocketed by 300%. We've shown that the new Men's Wearhouse isn't just for everyone—it's for today.

#### CREDITS

Matt Heath CCO, Rob Teague Creative Director, Nick Phillips Producer, Kim Vorse Producer, Andy Silva Managing Director, Taylor Toomey Brand Supervisor, Hannah Levy Director, Walker Music, Cosmo Edit, Matthew Repicky Chief Brand Officer, Erica Green ECD, Brand, Larissa Waters Creative Director, Brand, Meighan Bryles VP Marketing Operations, Brand

"My favorite entry from all was "Love The Way You Look" for Men's Wearhouse---. I loved it for its smart writing, a cheeky idea, and great execution."

- Rushil Nadkarni



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## GRIT

# **GOOSE ISLAND**

#### GOOSE ISLAND BEER HUG METAL BEAR COMMERCIAL

Do you remember that one time that Sharron had a retirement party and she had her friend's metal band play? And then that guy from the band Anthrax showed up and everyone moshed there faces off and had so much fun? Yeah! So do we! And so we made a TV spot to pay homage to that great moment for Goose Island featuring the Beer Hug's bear on lead vocals. Wow. What a great day

This TV spot was the third installment of having fun with Beer Hug who we think will be the next great brand ambassador. Right up there with Chef Boyardee and the Jolly Green Giant.

#### CREDITS

**Sean Topping** Creative Director, **Lindsay Topping** Big Cheese, **David Bramson** Writer, Music coordinator, Art Director, **Nathan DeMonnin** Editor







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# CACTUS

# MAN THERAPY

#### SHOOT THE SH\*T

Guns in America are a complex issue. But one thing is a fact. 70% of suicides by men are by gun. Many of these men are staunch Amendment 2 supporters despite the fact. Proud gun owners.

Man Therapy knew they could make a difference here, so, we leaned into gun owner's pride to meet them where they are. The gun range. We realized we could turn the mental health assessments we use on our site into targets. Man Therapy is known for using humor to get men to overcome the stigma and care for their mental health, so what better way to get in front of gun owners than by putting it at the end of their barrel?

We also made a video and ad campaign to get the word out — enlisting the help of humorous Dr. Rich Mahogany, to tell proud gun-owning men how they could "Shoot the Shit".

#### CREDITS

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Futuristic Films Production Company, Jasper Gray Director, Christian Silberbauer Executive Producer, Will Gardner DP, Sam Sigler Line, Dylan Stephens Head of Dev, Brittany Horwege Head of Post, Emma Harris Post Coordinator, Mathison Davis Edit/Color

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## KARSH HAGAN

# TRAVEL SOUTH DAKOTA / STURGIS MOTORCYCLE RALLY

#### **RALLY RUSH**

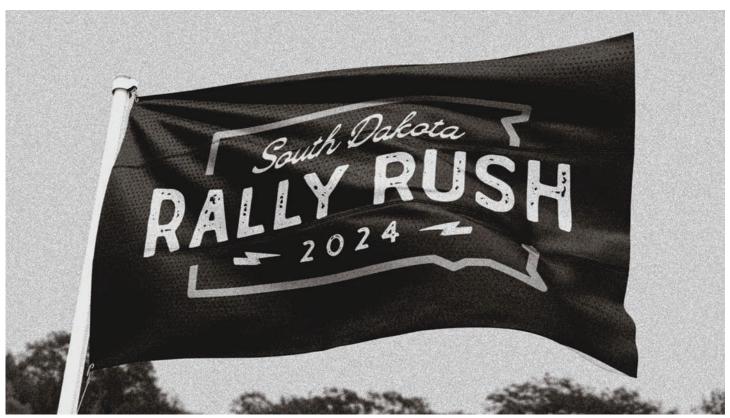
What's the best way to promote the biggest, baddest motorcycle meet-up on the planet? Create a badass rallying cry that gives local businesses a tangible way to promote the Sturgis Motorcycle Rally while getting riders riled up for the big event.

To do so, we created a handful of interchangeable logos, merchandise, and badges that could identify Rally Rush and hang together as a cohesive style. Taking inspiration from classic American motorcycle logos and badges, we sketched designs by hand to help us achieve an authentically grungy look that would resonate with bikers.

And the results speak for themselves, with an increase in attendance from 2023 to 2024.

#### CREDITS

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### SUKLE

# WYOMING DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

#### UNFORTUNATE ENDINGS

Wyoming was already one of the least vaccinated states in the country. Then the controversy generated by Covid-19 had a devastating effect on the vaccination rates for most vaccines including well-established childhood vaccinations. The Wyoming Department of Health needs to change that.

Vaccines are so effective at combating diseases like polio, tetanus, and measles that people take them for granted. However, there was a time when families weren't as fortunate as we are now. They didn't have access to vaccines for their children. As a result, their stories didn't always end well.

That idea was communicated in a surprising, non-threatening way by retelling familiar tales that end with an unexpected twist. The animation style uses a simple color palette and basic shapes to keep the message light-hearted and entertaining. And the back-to-school timing of the campaign put the messages in front of parents at an opportune time.

#### CREDITS

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## GRIT

# OZARKA

#### OZARKA CAMPAIGN

What does it mean to be 'from here'? If you're from Texas, it means an understanding that the content of your character is a direct result of the work you cut your teeth on. Whether on the field, on the road, under the stadium lights—Texans and the Texas work ethic are generations in the making. Since 1905, Ozarka has been on the ground with Texans putting in the work. We know what it means to earn those salt rings on your hats and shirts, and we know that Texas isn't just where you're from, it's what you're made of. You were Made In Texas. So are we.

The Made In Texas campaign let us lean into and celebrate the grit and gumption that makes Texans who they are. With mini video vignettes of local heroes, we reconnected with the people who make Texas great.

#### CREDITS

**Dave Bramson** Art Director, **Nathan DeMonnin** Art Director / Editor, **Katie Huhn** Associate Creative Director, **Lindsay Topping** Band Leader, **Brandon Gratton** Art Director / Designer, **Coburn Huff** DP, **Chandler Dolan** Animator, **Sean Topping** Building Maintenance

Coupe Studios Music / Sound Design















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## STANDARD PRACTICE

# **CLAYTON HOMES**

#### A SIMPLE ASK

These days, no one can afford to buy a home. This is a massive societal problem that Clayton is solving with their latest innovation, eBuilt. An affordable product that substantially reduces ongoing energy costs for homeowners. Instead of focusing on the features that make this possible (water heater, appliances, insulation, etc.), this campaign faces the housing crisis head on and calls out the absurdity of it all by showing the beautiful, imperfect moments of life, and posing the simple question, "is this too much to ask for?" Through this integrated campaign Clayton answers with a resounding no, and shows how they are helping open the door to a better life.

#### CREDITS

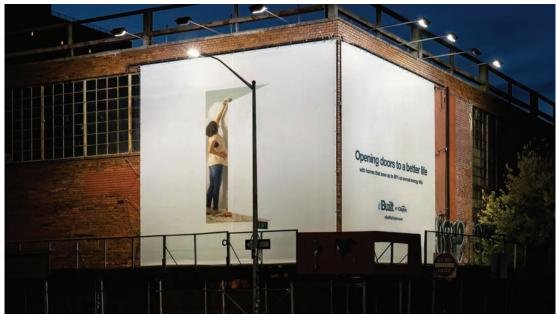
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Mondial Creative Edit

Tiny Lion Music Sound

**Color Collective Color** 







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## CACTUS

# NORTH CAROLINA EDUCATION LOTTERY

**LOADED SUITE - ASTRONAUTS** 

Massive amounts of prizes means massive amounts of fun. Because North Carolina Education Lottery's new Loaded Scratchoffs are loaded with both, we introduced them in a way that illustrates how impactful playing them can be.

#### CREDITS

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Coupe Studios Audio Post, Greg McRae Engineer











## GRIT

# SIERRA NEVADA

#### LITTLE THINGS 800 CAMPAIGN

We're living in an age of abundance. We're inundated with choice, which means we're constantly making decisions. In a world where choice is abundant and each decision carries weight and worry, a moment of respite—from having to think—of just being able to go with a go-to—is a blessing.

That's where Hazy Little Thing comes in. Some decisions are hard. And others are clearly Hazy.

#### CREDITS

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Company3 Color, Cam Topping Editor

Coupe Studio Sound





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# VLADIMIR JONES

# COLORADO SPRINGS UTILITIES

#### **SMALLFOOT**

You've heard of Bigfoot, but have you heard of Smallfoot? It's time we all learn about the tiny energy footprint legend.

The intrepid Smallfoot tracker (Hemingway Flynn) is on a mission to track down Smallfoot, inadvertently sharing his energy-saving wisdom with the world.

The search remains ongoing, but alleged sightings have sparked excitement and encouraged people across the city to reconsider their energy habits.

Smallfoot. He's here. He's real. And he's really energy efficient.

#### CREDITS

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#### SMALL APPLIANCES LEAD TO SMALLER ENERGY USAGE. JIMINY GRASSHOPPERS. THAT'S BRILLIANT.

Hemingway Flynn here, your certified Smallfoot tracker for Colorado Springs Utilities. Here's something you can easily plug into your daily routine: When possible, cook with small appliances, charge electronics and electric vehicles before 5 p.m. and unplug appliances when not in use.

Smallfoot makes being energy efficient as easy as 1, 2, 3. Catching the little genius? Well, that's a challenge of its own. Join the search at InSearchOfSmallfoot.com.













## FORTNIGHT COLLECTIVE

# FORTNIGHT COLLECTIVE

#### **VOTEX - HEAVIER FLOW TO THE POLLS**

Votex is the first super vengeful-sized tampon made for a heavy flow to the polls. Following the overturning of Roe V. Wade in 2022, people surged to register to vote; now, Fortnight Collective is reminding them to exercise that right on Election Day and grab 'em by the polls.

The 2024 Votex campaign includes boxes designed to look like tampon packaging and instructions on how and where to vote. Modeled after typical feminine product commercials, social videos invite people to vote for women's bodily autonomy, and warn that not voting can lead to Toxic Policy Syndrome.

As an agency that is 70% female, Fortnight Collective wanted to use their skills to tackle this topic in a way that's relatable and shareable.

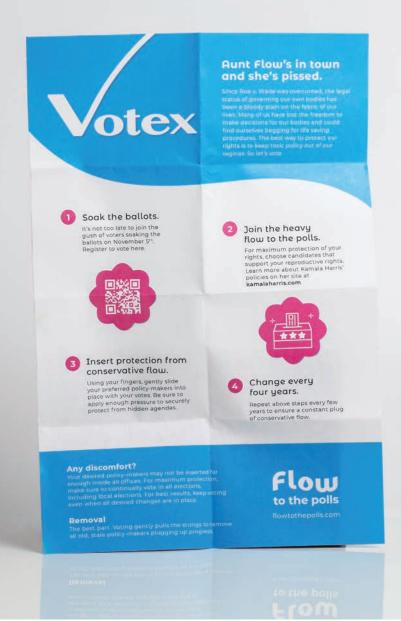
And it may be no coincidence that Harris won Colorado.

#### CREDITS

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# FIRST ASCENT COFFEE ROASTERS

FIRST ASCENT COFFEE ROASTERS PACKAGING & IDENTITY

What's more fun than waking up at the crack of dawn in the frosty Rocky Mountains and brewing up a steamy cup of coffee? Nothing! If you are lucky enough to find yourself atop one of Colorado's many 14ers sipping on some First Ascent Coffee, the only thing that makes it better is this lovely new packaging filled with newly created brand mascots highlighting all of the fun ways to drink coffee outdoors.

#### CREDITS

Katie Huhn Designer, Sean Topping Creative Director, Lindsay Topping Account Director, Dave Bramson Production Designer, Brandon Gratton Production Designer, Nathan De Monnin Production Designer















## FUTURISTIC FILMS

# IBOTTA / TDA BOULDER

#### MONEY SAMPLING

Ibotta's product is money. Their app helps consumers earn cash back every time they shop. Their goal: disprove the old adage by proving there is such a thing as free money. How would you react if a sample counter offered you free cash with no catch?

In this campaign with TDA Boulder, we rigged our favorite local grocery store with five hidden cameras, including a camera op hidden behind the sushi counter and a secret control station upstairs, to capture real shoppers' reactions to a one-of-a-kind sampling experience. Curious customers were greeted with a dash of dry humor from our Sampler and an offer they couldn't pass up!s.

#### CREDITS

Futuristic Films Production and Post, Frank Pickell Director of Photography, Christian Silberbauer Executive Producer, Dylan Stephens Head of Development, Brittany Horwege Head of Post, Emma Harris Post Coordinator, James Bedford Editor, Marco Rosas Editor, Pinto Pictures / Brian De Herrera Colorist, John Brisnehan VFX / Finishing

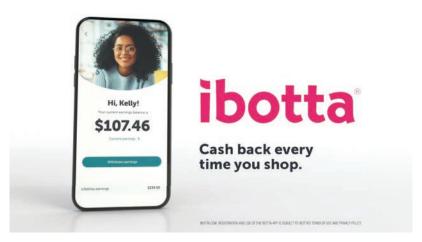
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# **FJÄLLRÄVEN**

#### SWEDEN'S BEST KEPT SECRET

In Sweden, Fjällräven has near universal brand awareness and is known for remarkably durable, sustainably made outdoor products - but it's a different story in North America. Only 13% of consumers were familiar with the brand, and even fewer knew Fjällräven beyond the trendy Kånken backpack. Cactus uncovered a simple, yet compelling insight - Fjällräven does outdoor gear in a uniquely Swedish way, humbly crafting products to maximize use and minimize impact. So basically, when you get down to why someone would buy Fjällräven over another outdoor products brand - Sweden is the reason. Our creative campaign "Sweden's Best Kept Secret", featuring core Fjällräven products like trousers, backpacks and parkas, is an open invitation for new consumers to experience quality, durability, timelessness and sustainability as they venture into the wild. So while Fjällräven may be Sweden's Best Kept Secret, they won't be for long.

#### CREDITS

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Coupe Studios Audio Post Production, Greg McRae Engineer























## KARSH HAGAN

# LITEHOUSE

#### **DIP TRACKS**

Tupac versus Biggie. Kendrick versus Drake. And now, Litehouse versus every other boring condiment and non-refrigerated salad dressing on the planet.

Inspired by Kendrick and Drake's recent feud, we decided to stake Litehouse's claim as America's #1 Refrigerated Ranch Dressing by writing, recording, and filming music videos for our own diss tracks (nay, Dip Tracks). In each one, Litehouse calls out the ketchups, mustards, and non-refrigerated dressings of the world for good.

#### CREDITS

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# **GOOSE ISLAND**

#### GOOSE ISLAND SEASONAL PACKAGING

Drinking beer is fun. Plain and simple. That's the essence behind the redesign for Goose Island Beer Co. We refreshed their seasonal beers to be more fun, engaging, and capture the spirit and personality of Goose Island itself, by use of custom spot illustrations and personalized type treatments for each beer.

#### CREDITS

**Dave Bramson** Designer & Illustrator, **Sean Topping** Creative Director, **Lindsay Topping** Our Fearless Leader, **Chandler Dolan** Illustrator







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### SUKLE

# GREAT OUTDOORS COLORADO

#### SAVE THE BEES - INTEGRATED CAMPAIGN

Generation Wild is a movement designed to get kids outside and into nature. The forces that keep kids tethered to a screen are becoming stronger and stronger. How do you compete with mega video game companies, 24/7 streaming entertainment and the constant pull of social media?

Our approach? Don't make it about the kid or disconnecting from tech. Instead, activate kids to get outside and save bumblebees. Introducing Wilderflowers, native wildflower seeds specifically designed to be Colorado pollinator magnets.

The integrated communications campaign used packaging, POS, OOH, digital, social, and videos showing in theaters to get the state buzzing. Families were directed to GenerationWild.com for locations to pick up free seeds. Over 100,000 seed packets of Wilderflowers were distributed across the state at public libraries and Little Free Libraries. Over 53 million Wilderflower seeds have been spread across Colorado as a result of this campaign.

#### CREDITS

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# WESTERRA CREDIT UNION

#### **INFLATION BLUES**

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#### CREDITS

**Brian Watson** Executive Creative Director, **Joey Spearman** Sr. Copywriter, **Spencer Beuerle** Sr. Art Director **Ainslie Fortune** VP, Account Management, **Heather Vazza** Account Supervisor, **Martha Douglas** Production Director, **Annie Carney** Executive Producer, **Torrie Eberhard** Senior Project Manager, **Dave Steinke** Client

Coupe Studios Music Studio/Production Company, Aaron Lasko Partner/Executive Producer, Daniel Sproul Composer, Daniel Sproul/Jacob Sproul Performance, Taylor Marvin Engineer, Robert Johnson Singer Talent, Nia Watenza Announcer Talent





RADIO CONCEPT

 $\Pi$  A CLASSIC BLUES RHYTHM PLAYS THROUGHOUT  $\Pi$ 

Singer: In the dairy section

 $\Pi$  dun dun dun dun  $\Pi$ 

Can't believe your eye

 $\Pi$  dun dun dun dun  $\Pi$ 

You'll be paying for these eggs

 $\Pi$  dun dun dun dun  $\Pi$ 

For the rest of your life

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# SIERRA NEVADA BREWING CO

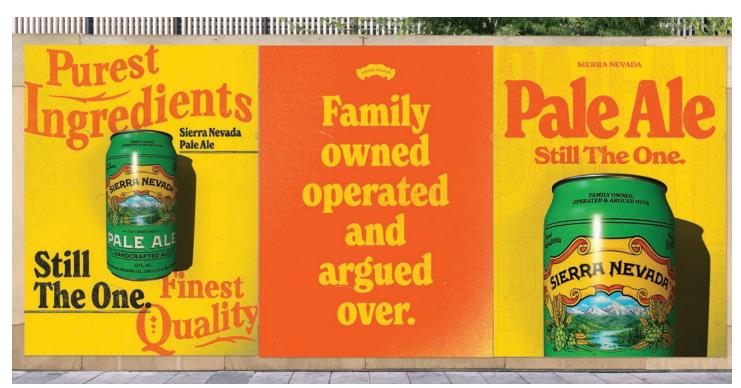
#### SIERRA NEVADA STILL THE ONE CAMPAIGN

Over 40 years ago, Sierra Nevada Pale Ale was first brewed with one singular purpose - to make a refreshingly hoppy and perfectly balanced beer. It wasn't brewed to be new - it was brewed to be better. The world has changed a lot since that first brew, but when you crack open a Sierra Nevada Pale Ale today, it's still as crisp, balanced and refreshingly hoppy as ever. Because fads come and go, but Sierra Nevada Pale Ale is still the one

Still The One campaign taps into the heritage and legacy of the Pale Ale brand while showcasing the gritty, hand made nature of its origins; reminding consumers that Sierra Nevada Pale is Still The One.

CREDITS

**Dave Bramson** Designer, **Sean Topping** Creative Z, **Lindsay Topping** Our Fearless Leader **Katie Huhn** Video Editor, **Adam Espinoza** Animator & Editor

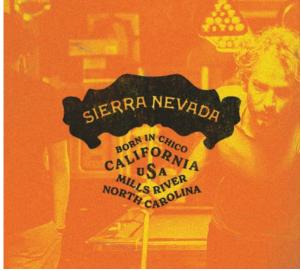












### KARSH HAGAN

# TRAVEL SOUTH DAKOTA

# EVER RIDDEN THOUSANDS OF MILES OF THE UNEXPECTED?

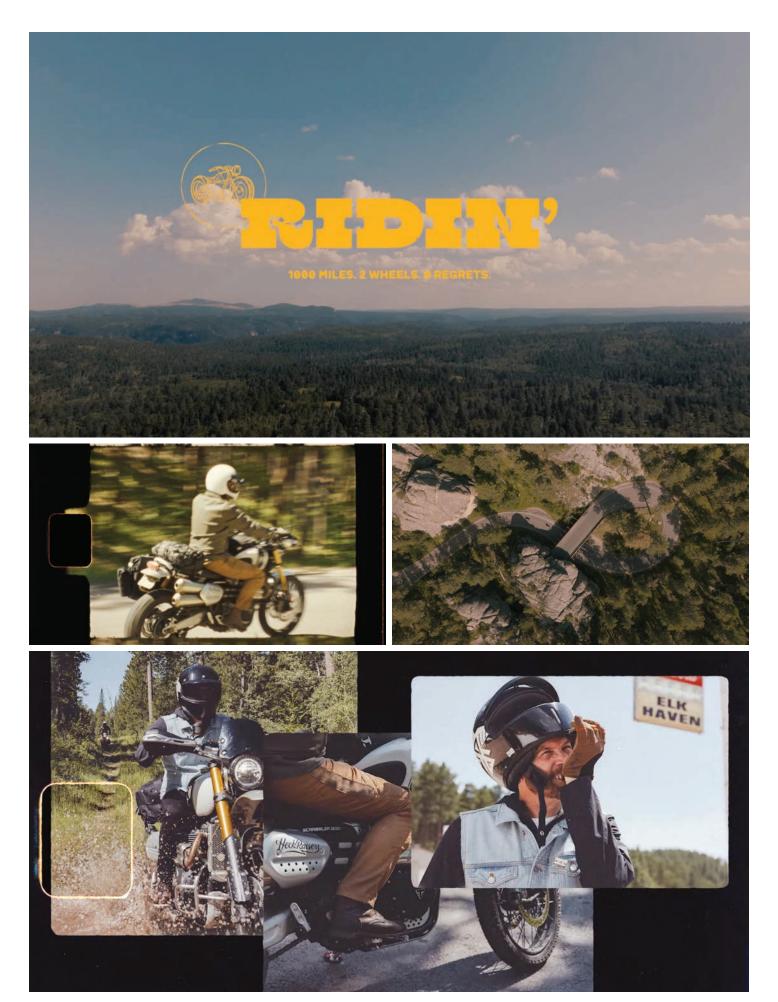
How do you show motorcycle riders just how unforgettable and unexpectedly awesome South Dakota is? Create a longform spot all about viewing the state from above the handlebars.

We shot the spot to be as aspirational as possible, showcasing plenty of wide shots highlighting the natural beauty of the state. In between the vistas and winding roads, we added footage of various stops along the way to add some humanity. Not to mention, it's an accurate depiction of a motorcycle trip, where there are plenty of memories made off of the road too. We also intermixed stills to capture fun and silly moments of the humans under the helmets.

Accompanied by cowboy poetry written by South Dakota poet Charles Badger Clark, the spot explores the roads, the sights, the stops, and the wonder of a two-wheeled adventure through The Mount Rushmore State.

#### CREDITS

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## FUTURISTIC FILMS

## **GCI NETWORK**

#### **WORKING REMOTE**

We ventured from the Lower 48 back to Alaska to film the launch of the iPhone 16 Pro. Drawing on the survivalist TV show genre as comedic inspiration, we reveal our rugged host is only a camera-pan away from civilization, as an overly-friendly GCI tech unknowingly steals the show. Apple's product launch schedules always make for a tight timeline, but our production and post teams rose to the challenge! Hot off the presses, the new iPhone was announced on Sept 9, our crew filmed in Palmer, AK, on Sept 16, and the Post Team delivered the hero cut four days later.

#### CREDITS

Futuristic Films Production and Post, Jamie Ting Director, Josh Fisher Director of Photography, Christian Silberbauer Executive Producer, Sam Sigler Line Producer, Dylan Stephens Head of Development Brittany Horwege Head of Post, Emma Harris Post Coordinator, Trevor McKenna Editor, Mathison Davis Colorist, John Brisnehan VFX

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# ARAPAHOE BASIN

#### LUNGES

Arapahoe Basin's strength became its weakness. A-basin has a reputation for its spring skiing and spring vibe. So people with Ikon passes often wait until spring to visit. And even though they have access to 5-7 days at The Basin on their passes, due to spring fever and I-70 burnout they're only using 2 of those days on average. Our business problem was to convince pass holders to use more days and visit earlier in the season.

To do this we needed to not only get people thinking about skiing earlier than usual, but remind them to get into shape to ensure that they were A-Basin ready on day one. In addition to our Ski Boot Camp activations and training circuit at McGregor Square, we created this spot that models how you can work ski-prep into your everyday life and prepare for a mountain that's 73% advanced-expert terrain.

#### CREDITS

**Alan Henceroth** Chief Operating Officer, Arapahoe Basin, **Jesse True** Vice President of Marketing & Skier Services, Arapahoe Basin, **Whitney Henceroth** Senior Brand Manager, Arapahoe Basin, **Shayna Silverman** Communications Specialist, Arapahoe Basin, **Lucas Herbert** Content Specialist / Photographer, Arapahoe Basin

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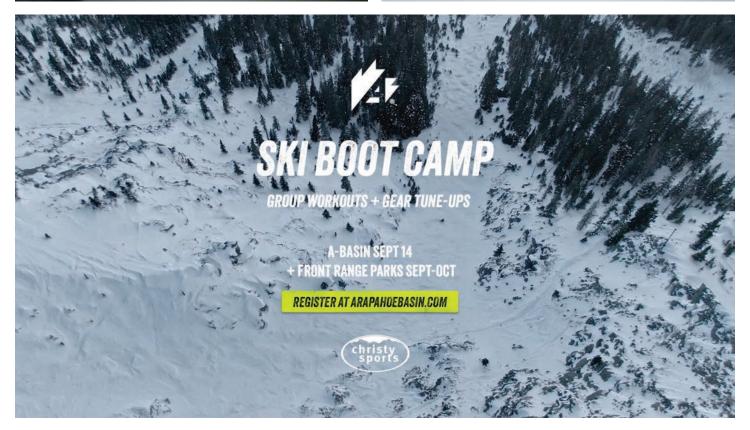
Lumenati Production Company Evan Swinehart Director, Brad Conner Director of Photography, Ben Zuckerman 1st AC, Alex Dean Rodriguez Head of Production Cameron Grimes Executive Producer, Justin Springer Producer, Lumenati Post-Production, Jeff Wilson Editor, Josi Robinson Assistant Editor, Jonnie Sirotek Colorist, Alex Hawley Engineer, Aaron Garrison Producer











# ARROWHEAD

# 100% MOUNTAIN SPRING WATER. NOTHING ELSE. CAMPAIGN

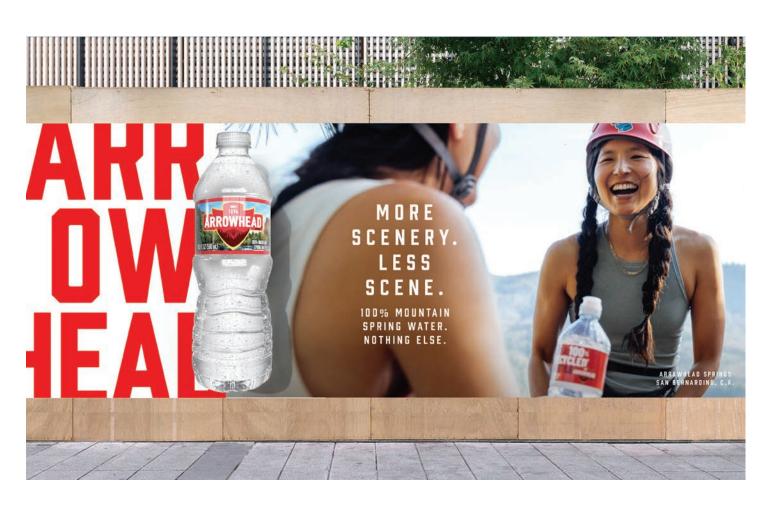
Arrowhead Mountain Spring Water is exactly what it sounds like—pure, delicious water from right here in the west. When developing the crux of the campaign idea, we knew our competition obsesses over shipping water from continents away (at a huge environmental impact) and centers their marketing around triple osmosis, nano-oxygenation (whatever that means) and other unnecessary "science."

We wanted to put a stake in the ground in the form of a :30 anthem spot about what Arrowhead is, as defined by all the tryhard waters that it's not—100% mountain spring water. Nothing else.

Short-form social videos round out the campaign speaking to consumer outdoor passion points—hiking, climbing, camping, skiing and biking—and further establish Arrowhead as deriving its value from its natural sourcing vs. hype.

#### CREDITS

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## NARRATOR GROUP

# SOUTHWEST WYOMING REGIONAL AIRPORT

**VERY WYOMING** 

The Southwest Wyoming Regional Airport in Rock Springs looks like a cement bunker. What it lacks in beauty, however, it makes up for in simplicity and utility. Passengers can park in front for free, breeze through security and fly to Denver International Airport in less than 50 minutes. From there, of course, they can connect to anywhere to the world. This campaign draws on the character and personality of Wyoming to inspire residents of western Wyoming to change their behavior: away from driving to Salt Lake City to fly and towards flying from home to take advantage of one of the world's great airports in Denver. Passenger loads have set new records, and this campaign has become a talked about regional favorite. All of this work was conceived and made just outside Golden, CO.

#### CREDITS

Jay Sunny Creative Director, Mark Toft Writer/Producer, Jerwin Villaneuva Animator, Jack Roberts Music.

















### SUKLE

# WYOMING DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

#### **UNFORTUNATE ENDINGS RADIO**

Wyoming was already one of the least vaccinated states in the country. Then the controversy generated by Covid-19 had a devastating effect on the vaccination rates for most vaccines including well-established childhood vaccinations. The Wyoming Department of Health needs to change that.

Vaccines are so effective at combating diseases like polio, tetanus, and measles that people take them for granted. However, there was a time when families weren't as fortunate as we are now. They didn't have access to vaccines for their children. As a result, their stories didn't always end well.

That idea was communicated in a surprising, non-threatening way by retelling a familiar tale that ends with an unexpected twist. And the back-to-school timing of the campaign put the message in front of parents at an opportune time.

#### CREDITS

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Coupe Studios Sound Studio



# CREDIT UNION OF COLORADO

#### CREDIT UNION OF COLORADO CAMPAIGN

Did you know that four out of five people effing hate their bank? So, it shouldn't be that hard to get people to switch to a credit union right? We thought so too, but as it turns out people are really lazy and you really have to remind them what giant jerks the people who own big national banks are. Enter the new "Honestly, Good." campaign for Credit Union of Colorado. Because when you have all the ATMs, a killer online banking platform, and employees who actually care about saving you money, that feels, well... Honestly, Good.™

#### CREDITS

Stephen Reidmiller Creative, Dave Bramson Art Director / Writer, Katie Huhn Writer / Associate Creative Director, Brandon Gratton Art Director / Writer, Lindsay Topping Our Fearless Leader, Alexis Supangan Account Manager, Miguel Hernandez Director, Coburn Huff DP, Nathan DeMonnin Editor

Coupe Studios Sound









# NORTH CAROLINA EDUCATION LOTTERY

#### STUNT DOUBLE

North Carolina Education Lottery's New Multiply The Cash Scratch-offs feature a new bonus multiplier called The Win All Doubler. The opportunity to win every single prize, doubled, is so exciting, that we imagined a world where in which a player finds a unique way to contain his excitement.

#### CREDITS

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**Coupe Studios** Audio Production, **Aaron Lasko** Partner/Executive Producer, **Taylor Marvin** Engineer









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## PIGGYBACK

# **REVL FRUITS JUICE**

#### **GROW UP NEVER**

You know what's really getting old? Having to act like an adult when the kid inside is ready to blow it all up. Not to worry, Revl Fruits Juice is taking the traditional roadmap to adulthood and shredding, burning, and spitting on it. From strategy to concept to production, we launched the "Grow Up Never" brand with a social activation that made people want to quit their jobs, go back in time to when all they had was a cushy summer job, and not a care in the world. Partnering with creators and influencers, we challenged everyone to share a "Grow Up Never" moment on social. And what did the person most lacking in all things adult win? 50k for pretty much doing nothing all summer long. And a lifetime supply of Revl Fruits Juice. Oh, and probably a sunburn.

#### CREDITS

#### Piggyback Agency x Production Company

Leigh Masters & John Angelopulos Directors, John Angelopulos & Andrei Chahine Writers, Leigh Masters Art Director, Henrik Walse Designer, Jen Pham-Corbett Account Director, Natalie Hill Executive Producer, Liz Graves Executive Producer, Paula Huidobro Director of Photography, Quito Cooksey Production Design, Tim Lincoln Music composer, Leigh Masters Music post-producer

11 Dollar Bill Boulder Post Production, Wayde SamueEditor, Lisa Effress Post Producer















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# BOULDER WINE MERCHANT

#### **BOULDER WINE MERCHANT**

Boulder Wine Merchant, Boulder's only Master Sommlier-run wine, spirits, and craft beer shop, needed an identity refresh after more than 40 years in the business. Classic typographic layouts juxtaposed with a playful illustrative mark, combined with bright plays of color creates an identity system that honors the quality of their heritage, while also looking forward to the future.

CREDITS

**Sean Topping** Creative Director, **Lindsay Topping** The Real MFOG, **Dave Bramson** Designer, **Katie Huhn** Designer

## BEER And SELTZER



## Chilled WINE

























#### HOUSEHOLD FILM CO.

## **URSA MAJOR**

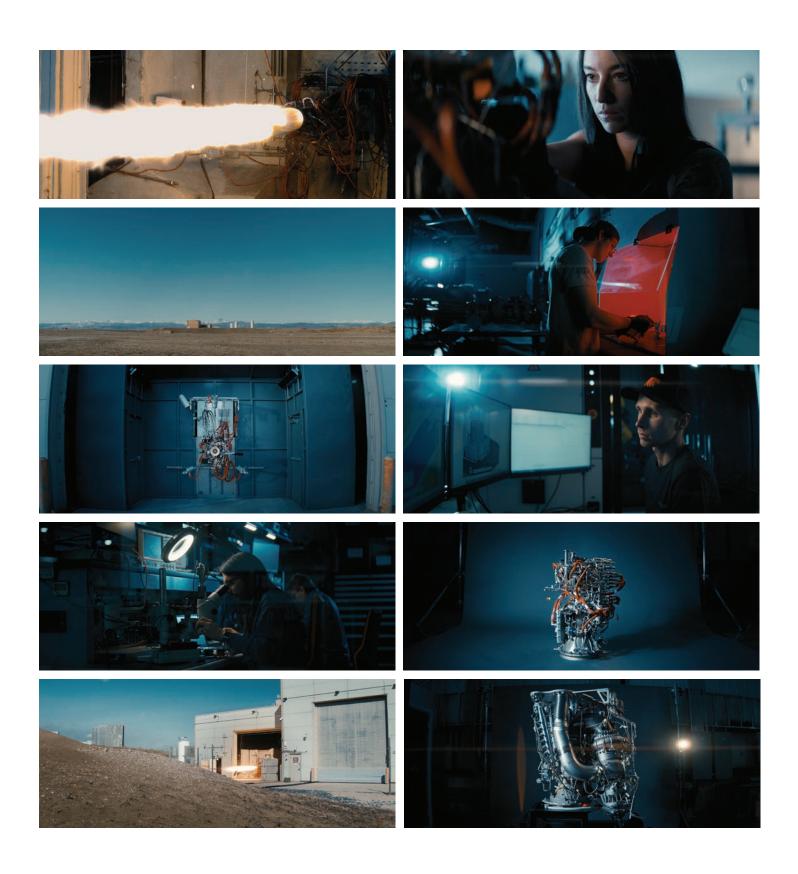
#### PROPULSION - A FILM ABOUT URSA MAJOR

Ursa Major is a rising star in the independent rocket propulsion space and a critical player in evolving the defense industrial base of the United States. After immersing ourselves in the Ursa Major brand, their story, their marketing objectives, and their target audiences, we realized this was a big story to tell. One that couldn't be contained in traditional :30s or :60s.

We partnered with the leadership at Ursa to develop an 11 minute branded doc. It was not only important to highlight their industry leading technology, but also showcase the people behind the tech, and the third (and arguably most important) leg to their success stool: being based in Colorado. It geographically offers them unique advantages crucial to their rapid rise as a leader in the aerospace and defense industry.

#### CREDITS

Micah Dudash Director, Tim Twinem Executive Producer / Line Producer, Josh Bernales Director of Photography, Skye Prentice Production Coordinator, Mason Trujillo Production Assistant, Cheshire Lai 1st AC, Mary Jeanes Gaffer, Troy Ten Eyck Gaffer, Ray Dellacroce Set Sound Mixer, Christopher Hawthorn Original Music Score, Josiah Jones Lead Editor, Jonnie Sirotek Colorist, Victor Won Title Design, Brandon Tormanen Title Animation, Taylor Pipes Story Development



#### CACTUS

## **HOOSIER LOTTERY**

#### **TEAM USA**

Building on the hype of the Olympic Swim Trials in Indianapolis and the Paris Olympics, our first campaign for the Hoosier Lottery aims at connecting Hoosier to the action and spirit of the games from home. The spot stars Rick, a regular Hoosier, who shows up to race in place of Michael, an Olympic hopeful, thanks to his Team USA Scratch-off and Fast Play games from the Hoosier Lottery—proving you don't have to be on the team to get in the games.

#### CREDITS

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**Gravy** Production Company, **Crobin Leo** Director, **Brent Stoller** Executive Producer, **Tanya Stephens** Line Producer, **Ally Gnesin** Staff Producer

Wild Manor Post Production, Kate Swenson Head of Production, James Bedford Editor, Jeff Wilson Editor, Kate Swenson Post Producer

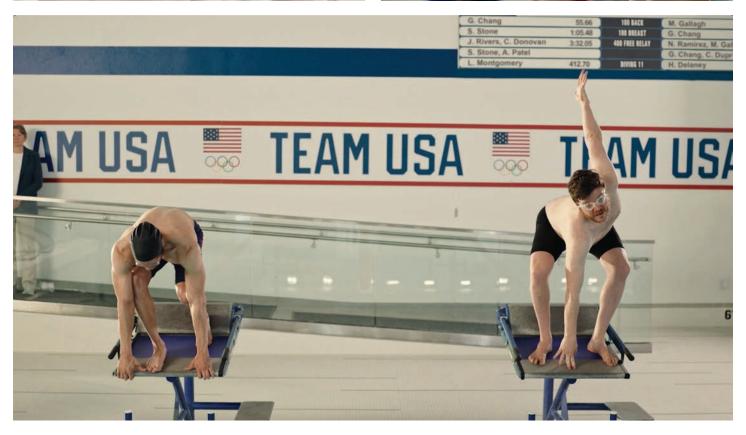
Coupe Studios Audio Post, Greg McRae Engineer











#### PARTY LAND

## **EVERY MAN JACK**

#### STILL SMELL GOOD

Building off last year's wildly successful "Them Beardles" campaign, we took Every Man Jack's humor and our knack for catchy original music up a notch in the "Still Smell Good" deodorant campaign. Our mission was ambitious: shake up one of the most crowded categories in men's personal care and prove that natural products can outperform — all with a fraction of the budget the big brands spend.

Our approach was as straightforward as it was unexpected: Ditch the technical jargon and dive into the heart of the challenge, debunking the myth that natural deodorants can't keep up. The solution? A jingle so memorable, it sticks: "Use Every Man Jack and still smell good," repeated for 30 seconds.

We're seeing impressive results for the campaign's efficacy at 2x the awareness and 4x the consideration per dollar above CPG competitors, proving that sometimes the simplest (and funniest) approach wins.

#### CREDITS

Matt Heath CCO, Ellie Off VP Marketing, Nick Hasselberg VP of E-Commerce & Performance Marketing, Jamee Viola Creative Director, Rob Teague Creative Director, Eli White Copywriter, Jacop Warhop Art Director

Food Chain Production

Walker Music









### GRIT

## **GOOSE ISLAND**

#### **GOOSE ISLAND CORE**

Drinking beer is fun. Plain and simple. That's the essence behind the redesign for Goose Island Beer Co. We refreshed their core beers to be more fun, engaging, and capture the spirit and personality of Goose Island itself, by use of custom spot illustrations and personalized type treatments for each beer

#### CREDITS

**Dave Bramson** Designer & Illustrator, **Sean Topping** Creative Director, **Chandler Dolan** Illustrator, **Lindsay Topping** Our Fearless Leader











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### CACTUS

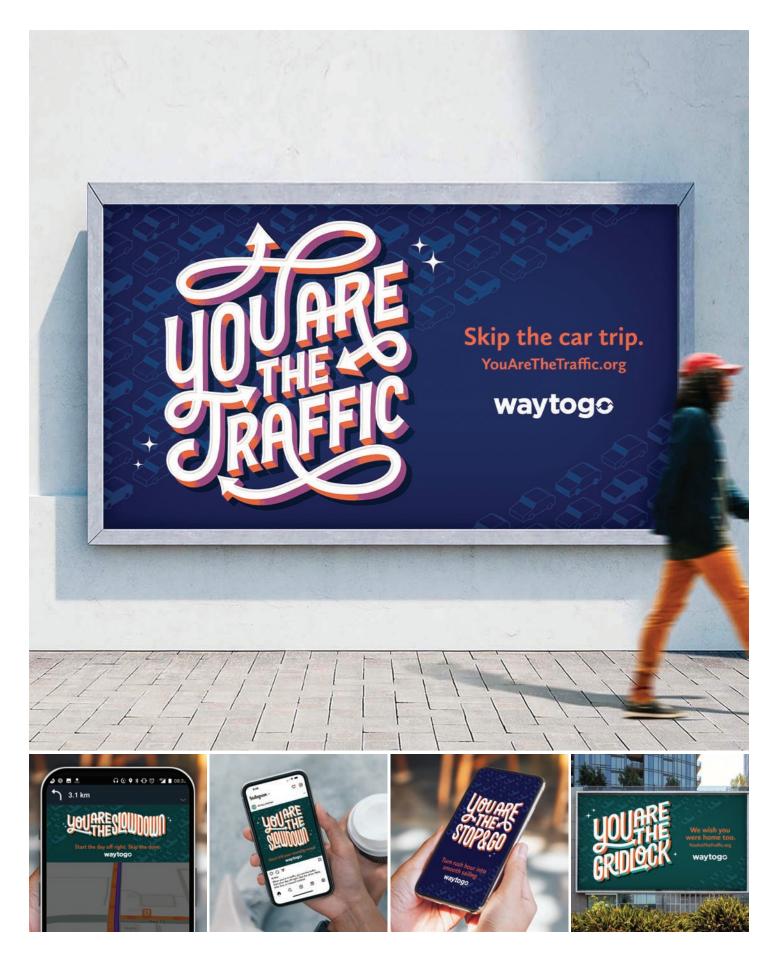
# DENVER REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

YOU ARE THE GRIDLOCK

We all hate being stuck in traffic, but the harsh reality is that those of us complaining about it are also the ones causing it. Not enough of us are willing to fall in love with the alternatives to driving in order to reduce the number of cars on the road. We each want to drive our own cars, but we all wish everyone else would stop driving theirs. So to help the Denver Regional Council of Governments get more single-occupancy vehicles off the road, our campaign gave Colorado commuters a stark look in the mirror with the blunt message: You're not stuck in traffic. You are the traffic. Lettering wizard Adam Vicarel helped us deliver our brutal honesty with just the right amount of delightful charm, enabling us to speak harsh truths to Colorado drivers with a spoonful of sugar to help the medicine go down.

CREDITS

Brian Watson Executive Creative Director, Sammie O'Sullivan Sr. Art Director, Abby Cotter Copywriter, Adam Vicarel Illustrator



### KARSH HAGAN

## BOONFLY

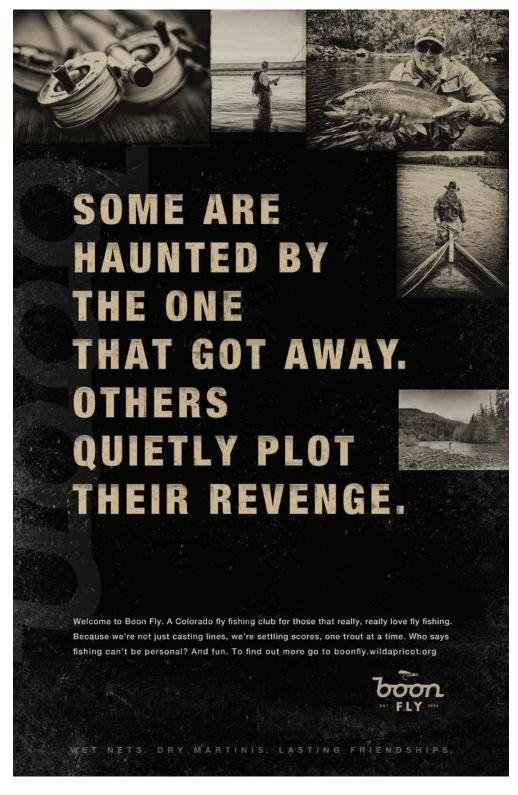
#### **BOONFLY IDENTITY SYSTEM**

Boonfly. It's a different kind of social club for fun, passionate, self-propelled fly anglers who love the outdoors, wild trout, wild rivers, making new friends, making new business connections, protecting the places we love, and just plain having a good time while gaining access to some remarkable fishing opportunities both near and far. That's fishing talk for private water trips!

For some, it's a chance to learn fly fishing on a deeper level. For many, it's more about connection, camaraderie, and casting into something new.

#### CREDITS

**Jeff Martin** Chief Creative Officer, **Dave Cook** Executive Creative Director, **Greg Ryan** Design Director, **Jeff Martin** Art Director/Writer, **Tom VanNess** Photographer, **J Martin** Photographer













### GRIT

## GREAT DIVIDE BREWING CO

**GREAT DIVIDE PACKAGING** 

Great Divide has been an local legendary brewery in Denver since 1994. Jump ahead 20+ years and the brand needed to rework there look and feel on shelf. We worked with Great Divide to come up with a new system that highlighted their Denver roots and let people easily find Great Divide in an ever increasingly cluttered marketplace.

CREDITS

Dave Bramson Designer, Sean Topping Creative Director, Lindsay Topping Our Fearless Leader













### SUKLE

## GREAT OUTDOORS COLORADO

#### SAVE THE BEES - WILDERFOWER SEEDS

Generation Wild is a movement to get kids outside and into nature. The forces that keep kids tethered to screens are stronger and stronger.

Our approach? Don't make it about the kid or disconnecting from tech. Instead, activate kids to save the bumblebees. A study identified that the Western Bumblebee had declined 72% in Colorado. And 20% of all bumblebees are risking extinction. We leaned into children and parents' natural altruism and designed a product and brand from the ground up.

Kids typically think planting seeds is boring and reserved for parents. So we infused new life into wildflower seeds by positioning them as Wilderflowers and placed the benefits - Save the Bees, Bee the Change, Join the Bee Team - front and center on the packages. Imaginative illustrations brought energy and the nine different colors were inspired by wildflowers.

#### CREDITS

Mike Sukle Founder and Chief Creative Officer, Katie Dondale Associate Creative Director/Art Director, Evan Olea Designer, Matt Carpenter Digital Artist, Brizida Magro Illustrator, Michon Schmidt Director of Production, Leigh Ann Bauer Account Director, Amy Taylor Director of Account Service













### CACTUS

## NORTH CAROLINA EDUCATION LOTTERY

**BUCKS** 

North Carolina Education Lottery's new Bucks Scratch-offs feature a bonus game on the back so we wondered, if players already dream of what they'll do if they win the lottery, what happens when they get a bonus dream?

#### CREDITS

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**Hyphenate** VFX

Coupe Studios Audio Post, Greg McRae Engineer

















### ELLEN BRUSS DESIGN

## MUSEUM OF CONTEMPORARY ART DENVER

MCA DENVER

We were tasked with giving MCA Denver a brand identity refresh to reflect MCA's stature, growth, and current direction. We developed the tagline "Creativity Lives Here" to showcase MCA's very strong youth presence, which informs everything they do. The brand system was developed to represent the series of networks into the community that MCA is developing by having a second presence at the Holiday Theatre. It was also important that the brand be versatile, social media friendly, bold and active.

CREDITS

Ellen Bruss Creative Director, Ken Garcia Art Director



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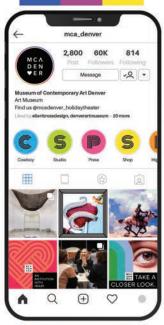












#### GRIT

## INFINITE MONKEY THEOREM

#### INFINITE MONKEY THEOREM PACKAGING

Grit worked with IMT to understand the key elements of the brand story to preserve—the winery's signature monkey motif and its locally-made urban roots—as well as new attributes to weave into the brand story. We created a new brand aesthetic —reworking the packaging to celebrate femininity with simple, elegant illustrations all with a pared back version of the monkey. The new bottles are art-deco inspired and still maintain the integrity of the brand's mission.

CREDITS

**Chandler Dolan** Illustrator, **Sean Topping** Creative Director, **Brandon Gratton** Designer **Lindsay Topping** Head Honcho









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### FORTNIGHT COLLECTIVE

## **NOODLES & COMPANY**

#### STEAK STROGANOFF

Fast-casual dining chain Noodles & Company created a campaign to promote the of a popular dish, Steak Stroganoff.

We rewarded every person on social media who asked the chain to bring back Steak Stroganoff with a personalized response. These included short notes, custom gifs, and video responses from the CMO in a humorous "mean tweet" style.

"You asked to bring back steak strog," began one responding to a persistent fan. "And you asked again. And again... And again. Well, we heard you. Steak Stroganoff is back on." Another read, "Your voice brought it back and your mouth will thank you."

Fans received gifs the day the promotion began. "Steak Stroganoff is now Steak StroganON," copy read as the ON lit up like neon.

Noodles & Company sold out of the dish in two weeks and saw a +144% social engagement rate.

#### CREDITS

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### CACTUS

## BREAKING AND ENTERING

#### THE 50 WELCOME TO THE FAMILY

In an effort to grow their business and importance in the industry ecosystem, Breaking & Entering, one of the leading advertising podcasts, is shifting its target audience to include not only aspiring professionals, but innovative marketing leaders. However, the CMO role is known for being immensely stressful: today's marketing leaders are being asked to do more with less. Consequently, they're always seeking industry insider resources to stay ahead, and that's exactly what Breaking & Entering offers.

Understanding that B&E is their accomplice in staying connected to the zeitgeist, we built a campaign to welcome marketing executives to the B&E family, sharing in the industry knowledge they've been building. The team creatively connected the previous branding of Breaking & Entering with the classic example of a clandestine, connected family: The Mafia. Though uniquely playful video and social assets, we helped reposition the Breaking & Entering brand into an invaluable resource for marketers.

#### CREDITS

Norm Shearer Partner & CCO, Katie Wilson Marketing Manager, Jen Arnold Creative Director, Ben Micek Video Specialist, Storm Sternad Voice Talent, Ridge Hutton Copywriter, Charlotte Garrett Art Director

Coupe Studios Sound/Audio, Taylor Marvin, Engineer

## Breaking & Entering

PRESENTS

MOB LIP READING VO.2 "INSIGHTFUL HOW?"









#### PIGGYBACK

## **OCEAN SPRAY**

#### MIX YOURSELF A GIFT

The holidays aren't always snow angels and mistletoe. And you know what, that's just fine with us. These holiday hiccups shouldn't bring us down. In fact, just the opposite. With the right people and drinks, they can make things that much more memorable and downright laughable. And, nothing gives us a bigger festive flavor boost or gets us more in the holiday spirit than when we "Just Add Cran" to our cocktails and mocktails. Whether it's bringing some well needed cheer to an otherwise forlorn beverage, or brightening us up through an uncomfortable holiday hiccup, Ocean Spray wants to help you "Mix Yourself A Gift" all season long.

#### CREDITS

#### Piggyback Agency x Production Company

Leigh Masters & John Angelopulos Directors, John Angelopulos Writer, Leigh Masters Art Director, Henrik Walse Designer, Jen Pham-Corbett Account Director

Futuristic films Production Company, Will Gardner Director of Photography, Christian Silberbauer Executive Producer, Sam Sigler Associate Producer

11 Dollar Bill Boulder Post Production, Chris Robins Editor, Lisa EffressPost Producer











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#### KARSH HAGAN

## TRAVEL SOUTH DAKOTA

## RESPECTFUL TRAVEL TIPS FOR RESPECTFUL TRAVELERS

Most people wouldn't deny the importance of being a good state steward, but does anyone even know how to do it? Well, we had some friendly critters help show us the way.

For year two of Forever 605 (Travel South Dakota's state stewardship campaign), we provided tangible ways for residents and visitors to practice respectful travel throughout the state.

Rather than shame bad behavior or provide a cliche list of do's and don'ts, we tapped into something much more memorable and unexpected. We used playful animation to convey the comically exaggerated, unintended snowball effects of not practicing respectful travel etiquette – all with a ludicrous payoff.

#### CREDITS

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A MOUNTAIN GOAT MISTAKES YOUR JERKY WRAPPER FOR A LOVE NOTE.

AND SHE WILL NEVER. EVER LET YOU GO, BABY.

TRAVEL RESPECTFULLY.











#### SUKLE

## GREAT OUTDOORS COLORADO

SAVE THE BEES - BILLBOARDS

Generation Wild is a movement designed to get kids outside and into nature. The forces that pull kids to the couch and keep them tethered to a screen are becoming stronger and stronger. How do you compete with mega video game companies, 24/7 streaming entertainment and the constant pull of social media?

Our approach? Don't make it about the kid or disconnecting from tech. Instead, activate kids to get outside and save bumblebees. Introducing Wilderflowers, native wildflower seeds specifically designed to be Colorado pollinator magnets. The colorful packages were inspired by wildflowers and became the art medium for these billboards and the entire campaign.

The integrated campaign used billboards to direct families to GenerationWild.com for locations to get free seeds. Over 100,000 packets of Wilderflowers were distributed across the state. That means over 53 million Wilderflower seeds have been spread across Colorado.

#### CREDITS

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#### CACTUS

## ARAPAHOE BASIN

#### A BASIN X DENVER PUBLIC LIBRARY

Skiing has both financial and logistical barriers to entry, so we brought Arapahoe Basin, who is always looking for opportunities to take mountain accessibility beyond just tackling the transportation hurdle, together with the Denver Public Library (DPL), who is interested in creating unique experiences for its members, for a first-of-its-kind partnership to give people with library cards full-experience access. A-Basin provided transportation, rentals, lessons and a delicious lunch to card holders and three of their guests. Several groups participated throughout the season and had incredible experiences on the slopes. A-Basin and DPL plan to continue the program for the 24/25 season. Budget and timing constraints provided us the opportunity to use Al to create compelling, fantastical visuals for the campaign.

#### CREDITS

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### GRIT

## **GRIT**

#### **GRIT HOLIDAY SELF-PROMOTION**

Client gifts for the holidays, a chance to combine our studio's two loves; coffee & design. Paying tribute to our studio's former self as an auto shop, we designed the tins to have an old school oil can feel, with an illustration of the studio as the hero.

CREDITS

Dave Bramson Designer, Sean Topping Creative Director, Lindsay Topping Our Fearless Leader











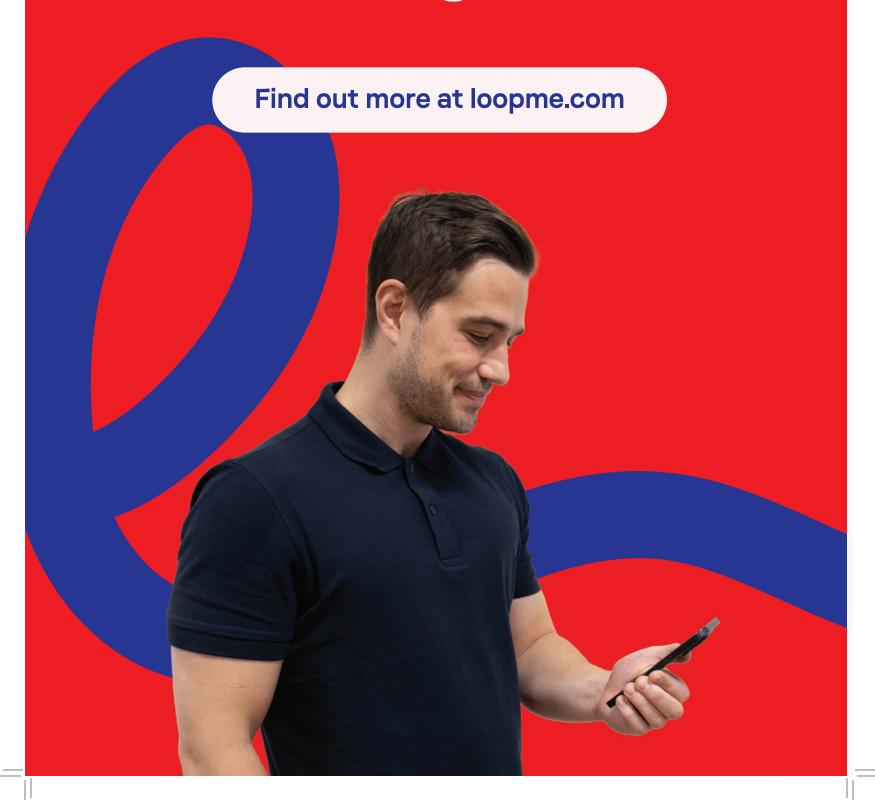


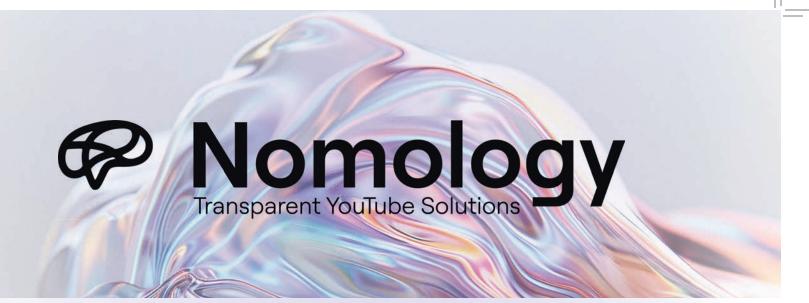


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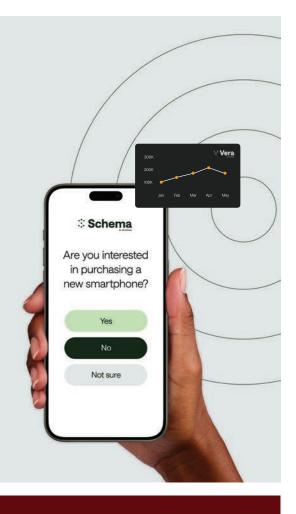


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