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The Social Marketer's Map to 2021

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2020 Trends and 2021 Predictions for the Year Ahead



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If you had to sum up 2020 as a marketer (and human) in one sentence, what would it be?



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It's not about you. But it's all about you.

Listen to your audience.

This isn't the first time this has happened, and it's not the last time.

What are the biggest trends and highlights from 2020 on social?



42%

of consumers say they would start buying from competitors if brands don't stay true to their word.



55%

expect brands to take a stance that goes beyond corporate statements and monetary donations, such as new corporate initiatives or commitments to specific goals.



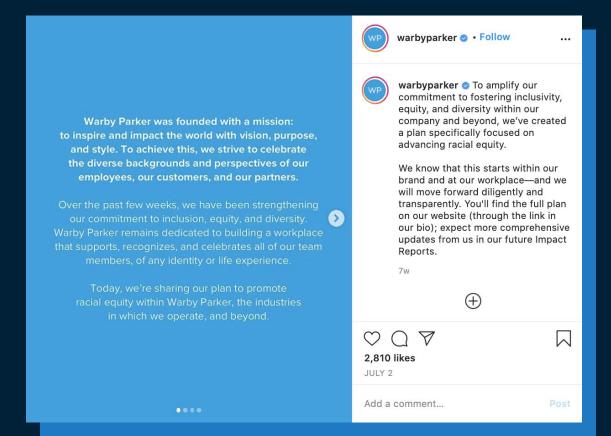
Woooow. @glossier do better! Be accountable!

An open letter to *Glossier*. from former retail employees.

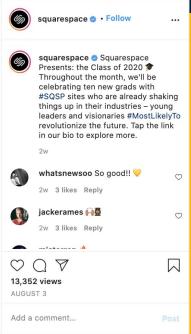
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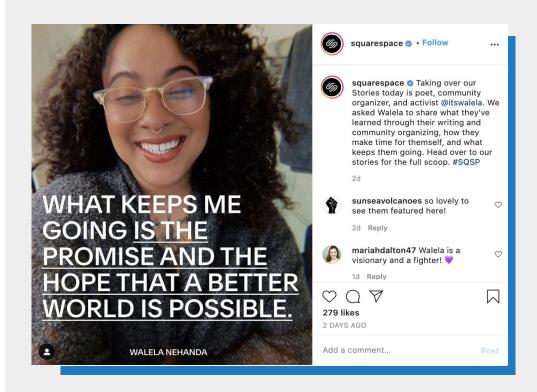
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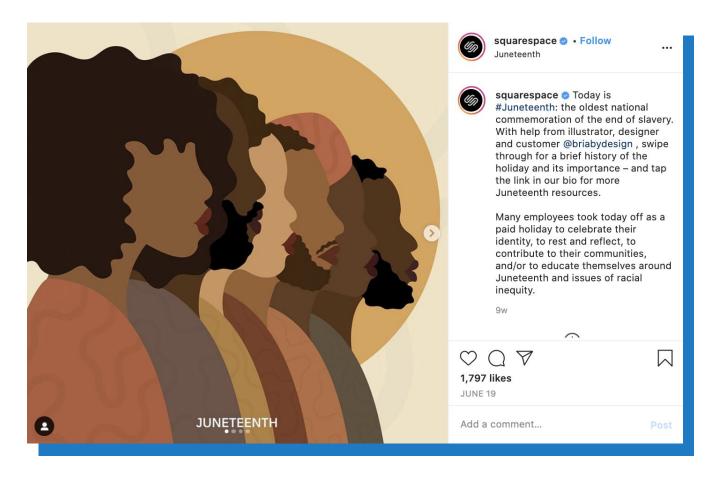




Passing the mic

From our Made with
Squarespace campaign to our
takeover series, giving the floor
to customers to share what
they're passionate about.







Which brands did a good job in 2020 at leveraging trends and riding the wave?





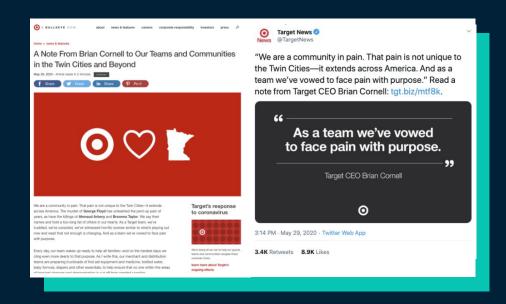


Yoga, SoulCycle and Peloton Face Truths About How Black Lives Matter

Instructor walkouts and motivational messages in a predominantly white industry decimated by the coronavirus.



Tunde Oyeneyin, a Peloton trainer, is using her platform to address issues of racial equality in the fitness world. Simbarashe Cha for The New York Times



How did you have to change your strategy in 2020?



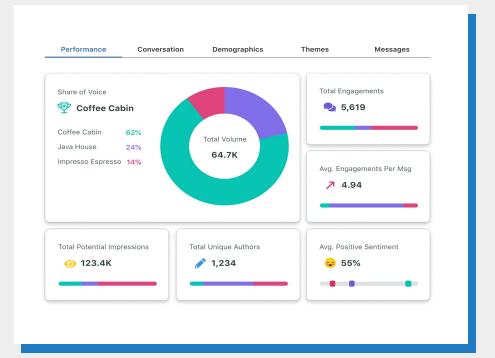




What's your #1 prediction or piece of advice for 2021?

Social listening is key.

There's a lot we can't plan for, but we CAN see how people are feeling and get an early view into things that are going to arise.





2021 is hard to predict



1:1 communication FTW

Consumer appetite for direct communication with brands will grow



Social commerce expands

As consumers spend more time on social





You can't predict 2021.



How do you start planning for 2021?



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Listen. Meet the Need. Build Community.



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Do the work at home: your escalation process, contingency plans, and social responsibility strategy.



5 Golden Rules of Crisis Management



Prepare for a crisis before it happens



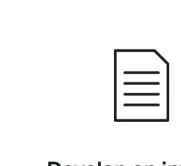
Social listening is your friend



Establish a chain of command



5 Golden Rules of Crisis Management



Develop an internal response protocol



Always respond



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Use Sprout analytics tools to identify common threads in successful posts and develop a 2021 strategy.



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Get your CEO involved.



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