

City of Kingston Information Report to Council Report Number 19-112

To: Mayor and Members of Council

From: Lanie Hurdle, Acting Chief Administrative Officer

Resource Staff: Not applicable

Date of Meeting: April 16, 2019

Subject: Quarterly Report: Tourism Kingston – Q4 2018

Executive Summary:

In accordance with the Service Level Agreement entered into between the City of Kingston and Tourism Kingston (Report to Council 16-325), the attached report (Exhibit A) provides detailed reporting on Q4 2018 for Tourism Kingston. Section 2.0 "Transparency, Reporting and Accountability" of the Service Level Agreement indicates "Tourism Kingston will be accountable to the Council of the City of Kingston in the performance of the activities and services provided in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement and/or as determined in the approved annual operating budget." Specific direction to Tourism Kingston on reporting is included in Section 2.3 which reads in part:

- "2.3 Tourism Kingston shall communicate with the City as follows:
 - a) Annually, by way of the draft budget, annual work plan and Tourism Kingston's Strategic Plan as updated to reflect the priorities of City Council;
 - b) Annually, by way of the Annual Financial Report as required by Clause 4.6 of this Agreement;
 - c) Quarterly, by way of Activity Reports to demonstrate the progress of Tourism Kingston in achieving its Strategic Plan and the impact of Tourism Kingston's actions and programs on the key performance measures of tourism as set out in Appendix B of this Agreement. The Quarterly Reports shall form the basis of an Annual Year in Review Report to Council. All Activity Reports shall be publicly accessible"...

The attached report is provided in fulfillment of the quarterly reporting requirement noted above.

April 16, 2019

Page 2 of 4

Recommendation:

This report is for information purposes only.

April 16, 2019

Page 3 of 4

Authorizing Signatures:

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Lanie Hurdle, Acting Chief Administrative Officer

Consultation with the following Members of the Corporate Management Team:

Gary Dyke, Commissioner, Corporate & Emergency Services	Not required
Peter Huigenbos, Acting Commissioner, Community Services	Not required
Jim Keech, President & CEO, Utilities Kingston	Not required
Desirée Kennedy. Chief Financial Officer & City Treasurer	Not required

April 16, 2019

Page 4 of 4

Options/Discussion:

Exhibit A to this report provides an activity report from Tourism Kingston on results for Q4 2018.

Existing Policy/By-Law:

Report to Council 16-325, dated October 4, 2016

Notice Provisions:

Not applicable

Accessibility Considerations:

Not applicable

Financial Considerations:

Section 4 of the Service Level Agreement relates to financial operations and provides clear parameters on funding to Tourism Kingston to undertake its core activities.

Contacts:

Lanie Hurdle, Acting Chief Administrative Officer 613-546-4291 extension 1231

Other City of Kingston Staff Consulted:

Not applicable

Exhibits Attached:

Exhibit A Q4 2018 Tourism Kingston Report



945 Princess St. at Innovation Park, Suite 106 Kingston, ON K7L0E9

January 27, 2019

Attn: Lanie Hurdle
Acting Chief Administrative Officer
City of Kingston
216 Ontario Street
Kingston, ON
K7L 2Z3

RE: Tourism Kingston Q4 2018 Report

Please find attached our summary report on the activities undertaken by Tourism Kingston for the period of October 1, 2018 through December 31st, 2018.

Outlined in the Service Level Agreement with the City of Kingston, Tourism Kingston will work cooperatively and collaboratively with the City, other levels of government, partner organizations and other tourism stakeholders in developing products and services that will attract visitors ensure longer stays and increase spending. The Core Tourism Activities will align with Tourism Kingston's Strategic Plan (IDS) and Council's Strategic Priorities.

This report outlines Tourism Kingston's draft financial update from 2018 and performance metrics for the fourth quarter of 2018.

Financially, Tourism Kingston achieved its targets within budget. However, Tourism Kingston did have to rely on the City to support spends that were unbudgeted (Visitor Guide) as well as deplete some of its reserve funds. This has been address and will see a plan in place for 2019 that will put funds back into reserves as well as balance the amount that is owed to the City.

Strategically, Tourism Kingston alongside key partners being The City of Kingston and KAP completed the Integrated Destination Strategy which will guide the sales and marketing plans for Tourism for the next 5 years. Tourism Kingston, KAP and RTO 9 also partnered on the Culinary Strategy which will align with the IDS.

Operationally, Tourism Kingston overcame several staff changes. The 2019 staff compliment will be more balanced to budget still allowing us to sell Kingston as a destination.

Sectors that saw the most growth in Q4 were film and cruising. These are identified in the Integrated Destination Strategy as areas that would benefit from further focus and financial investment. We will continue to work with the City to ensure that Tourism Kingston is supporting the growth of these sectors.

We are pleased to deliver our third quarter ("Q4") activity measures within each of the 6 portfolios. We look forward to our continued work together.

If you have any questions or require clarification on our activities or outputs, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Best,

Megan Knott

Megan Knott Interim Executive Director Tourism Kingston

Market Sector Performance Q4 Stats with Results

Tentative Room Nights	2018 Goal	2018 Q4	2018 Results	% Goal Actual
Meetings & Conferences	7,000	1,534	5,824	83%
Sport Events	7,000	800	11,835	169%
Film Production Events	1,000	200	1,078	108%
	15,000	2,534	18,737	125%

^{*}Tentative = prospect converts to a business opportunity for the partners to respond to

Definite Room Nights	2018 Goal	2018 Q4	2018 Results	% Goal Actual
Meetings & Conferences	6,000	794	1,916	32%
Sport Events	5,000	6,731	19,382	388%
Film Production Events	500	100	353	71%
	11,500	7,625	21,651	188%

^{*}Definite = tentative converts to a confirmed business opportunity for Kingston partners

Leads, Referrals, Permits	2018 Goal	2018 Q4	2018 Results	% Goal Actual
Travel Trade (leads)	490	783	1052	215%
Travel Trade (referrals)	84	1376	1791	2132%
Film Shoots (permits or no permits)	40	22	42	105%
	614	2181	2885	470%

Leads = qualified tour operator that has interest for Kingston and shared with partners Referrals = partner services requested by a tour operator

Passengers	2018 Goal	2018 Q4	2018 Results	% Goal Actual
Number of VIC Visitors	109,130	21,296	193,250	177%
Tour Bus	51,000	30,338	99,823	196%
Cruise Ship	300	0	1,875	625%
	160,430	51,634	294,948	184%
VIC Sales				
Retail	\$48,750	\$21,893	\$110,390	226%
Commissions	\$16,250	\$14,066	\$50,205	309%
Total Sales	\$65,000	\$35,959	\$160,595	247%

Independent Auditor's Report	1
Statement of Financial Position	3
Statement of Operations	4
Statement of Changes in Fund Balances	5
Statement of Cash Flow	6
Notes to Financial Statements	7

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Directors of Tourism Kingston

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Tourism Kingston which comprise the statement of financial position as at December 31, 2018 and the statements of operations, changes in fund balances and cash flow for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, these financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Tourism Kingston as at December 31, 2018, and the results of its operations and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

Other Matter

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The current year's supplementary information included in the Schedule of Operations by Department is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such supplementary information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Chartered Professional Accountants

Licensed Public Accountants

Kingston, Ontario

May 14, 2018

Tourism Kingston

Statement of Financial Position as at December 31, 2018

·	2018
Assets	
Current Assets	
Cash	\$ 272,046
Accounts receivable (note 3)	14,140
Receivable from Kingston Economic Development Corporation (note 3)	105,790
Inventory – tourism items for resale	14,252
Sales tax recoverable (note 3)	89,969
Prepaid expenses and refundable deposits (note 4)	34,938
	531,135
Capital Assets (note 6)	56,494
	\$587,629
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 202,025
Payable to City of Kingston (note 16)	120,365
	322,390
Deferred Contributions Related to Capital Assets (note 8)	4,965
Deferred Lease Inducements (note 9)	4,146
	331,501
Fund Balances	
Investment in Capital Assets (note 10)	51,529
Board Restricted (note 5)	40,000
Unrestricted	164,599
	256,128
	\$ 587,629

Commitments and Contingencies (note 13) Economic Dependence (note 17) Restructuring (note 18)

Approved on behalf of the Board:

Member

Member

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

Tourism Kingston Statement of Operations Year Ended December 31, 2018

real Elided December 51, 2010	
	2018
Revenues	
Contributions from the Corporation of the	
City of Kingston (note 16)	\$1,347,400
Provincial government contributions (note 11)	55,900
Resale materials	72,353
Events and seminars	1,296
Partnership revenue and corporate investors (note 12)	548,983
Amortization of deferred contributions (note 8)	24,336
Commissions & online reservations (net)	49,036
	2,099,304
Expenses	
Accounting and legal (note 13 and 16)	42,267
Advertising	198,487
Amortization	33,532
Bank charges	5,862
Equipment rental	119
Events and meetings	85,719
Information technology support (notes 13 and 16)	22,922
Insurance	4,571
Memberships and licenses	26,490
Office and miscellaneous	15,406
Professional contractors	379,885
Professional development	1,056
Rent (note 13 and 16)	106,418
Resale materials	40,977
Salaries and benefits	882,260
Sponsorships and donations	168,659
Telephone	10,630
Travel	71,065
	2,096,325
Excess of revenue over expenses	\$ 2,979

Tourism Kingston Statement of Changes in Fund Balances Year Ended December 31, 2018

	Investment in Capital Assets	Board Restricted	Unrestricted	Total 2018
Transfer of Equity	\$ -	\$ 40,000	\$ 213,149	\$ 253,149
Deficiency of revenues over expenses	(9,195)	-	12,174	2,979
Change in investment in capital assets	60,724	<u>-</u>	(60,724)	-
Balance at end of year	\$ 51,529	\$ 40,000	\$ 164,599	\$ 256,128



See accompanying notes to financial statements.

Tourism Kingston Statement of Cash Flow Year Ended December 31, 2018

	2018
Cash flow from (used in) operating activities Excess of revenues over expenses Deduct items not effecting each	\$ 2,979
Deduct items not affecting cash Amortization	33,532
Amortization of deferred capital contributions	(24,336)
Deferred lease inducements	4,146
	16,321
Changes in non-cash working capital balances	
Accounts receivable	4,226
Inventory	1,762
Sales tax recoverable	(66,203)
Prepaid expenses and refundable deposits	(3,373)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	105,743
Receivable from to Kingston Economic Development Corporation	(9,007)
Payable to City of Kingston	169,855
	219,324
Cash flow used in investing activities	
Purchase of capital assets Transfer of equity	(60,724)
Net increase in cash	158,600
Cash at beginning of year	113,446
Cash at end of year	\$ 272,046

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

1. Purpose of the Corporation

Tourism Kingston (the "Corporation") is incorporated without share capital as a not-for-profit corporation under the laws of Ontario. The Corporation's purpose is to generate/increase overnight visitation that out paces provincial industry results by working closely with community partners and executing against Tourism Kingston's sales plan in the four pillars of Film, Meetings and Conferences, Travel Trade, and Sport all fully supported by the Visitor Information Centre.

2. Significant Accounting Policies

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Part III of the CPA Canada Handbook - Accounting Standards for Not-for-Profit Organizations. Significant accounting policies include the following:

(a) Investments

Investments in term deposits are recorded at cost plus accrued interest, which approximates market value.

(b) Inventory

Inventory represents resale materials at the Visitor Information Centre. Inventory is valued at the lower of cost and net realizable value, where cost is computed using the average cost method. Obsolete and slow-moving items are written down to their estimated net realizable values.

(c) Revenue Recognition

The Corporation follows the deferral method of accounting for contributions.

Operating grants are recorded as revenue in the period to which they relate. Grants approved but not received at the end of an accounting period are accrued. Where a portion of a grant relates to a future period, it is deferred and recognized in the subsequent period.

Restricted contributions are recognized as revenue in the year in which the related expenditures are incurred.

Unrestricted contributions are recognized as revenue when received or receivable, provided that the amounts to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured.

2. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

(c) Revenue Recognition (continued)

Revenues from resale materials, events and seminars and commissions are recognized when merchandise is received by or service is provided to the customer, when the consideration is fixed or determinable and when collection is reasonably assured.

Revenues from partners and other corporate investors towards various programs, events and meetings delivered by the Corporation are recognized when there is persuasive evidence of an arrangement for funding, the price is fixed or determinable and collection of the relevant receivable is probable.

(d) Capital Assets

Capital assets are recorded at cost and amortization is provided using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets as follows:

Computer software	2 years
Computer hardware	3 years
Furniture and equipment	5 years
Display units	7 years
Voicemail system	7 years
Leasehold improvements	10 years
CRM system	10 years
Videos	2 years

(e) Donated Materials and Services

The Corporation receives donated advertising services from the provincial government. Because of the difficulty of determining the fair market value, donated advertising services are not recognized in these financial statements.

2. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

(f) Deferred contributions

Deferred contributions related to capital assets represent financial assistance received for the purchase of capital assets. This financial assistance is deferred and amortized to income on the same basis as the related capital assets.

(g) Deferred Lease Inducements

Deferred lease inducements represent various lease inducements received from the landlord pursuant to a lease agreement for premises occupied by the Corporation. These lease inducements include an initial rent-free period and reduced rent payments in the early periods of the lease. The deferred lease inducements are amortized on a straight-line basis against rent expense over the term of the lease.

(h) Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the year. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

3. Accounts Receivable

	<u>2018</u>
Kingston Economic Development Corporation	
contributions receivable	\$ 105,790
Federal contributions receivable	89,969
Provincial contributions receivable	13,975
Tourism Kingston trade receivables	165
	\$ 209,899

The allowance for doubtful accounts is \$Nil.

4. Prepaid Expenses and Refundable Deposits

	<u>2018</u>	
Event sponsorship	\$ 20,000	
Contracted services	6,108	
Rent	4,060	
Travel costs	3,530	
Media	742	
Memberships	498	
	\$ 34,938	

5. Board Restricted Funds

The Corporation restricts net assets for various future expenditures under other board restricted funds. The expenses of the board restricted fund have been approved by the Board of Directors up to the following amounts:

	Board Approval	Opening Balance	Actual Transfer in Year	Expenses in Year	Ending Balance
Brier	40,000	40,000	-	-	40,000
•	\$ 40,000	\$ 40,000	-	-	\$ 40,000

6. Capital Assets

		2018				
	0 1	Accumulated				
	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Amortization</u>	<u>Net</u>			
Computer software	\$77,430	\$68,519	\$8,911			
Computer hardware	64,784	59,159	5,625			
Furniture and equipment	38,792	38,639	153			
Display units	48,861	48,861	-			
Voicemail system	12,400	12,400	-			
Leasehold improvements -						
Innovation Park	63,069	59,067	4,002			
Video Library	34,108	22,445	11,663			
CRM System	<u>27,516</u>	<u>1,376</u>	26,140			
	<u>\$366,960</u>	<u>\$310,466</u>	<u>\$56,494</u>			

7. Deferred Revenue

Deferred revenue consists of cash received in advance for operations for which the related expenses will not be recognized until a later period. The deferred revenue is \$Nil.

8. Deferred Contributions Related to Capital Assets

The changes in the deferred contributions balance for the year are as follows:

	<u>2018</u>
Contributed capital	\$ 29,301
Less amounts amortized to revenue	(24,336)
Balance at end of year	\$ 4,965

9. Deferred Lease Inducements

Changes in deferred lease inducements balance for the year are as follows:

	<u>2018</u>	
Balance at beginning of year	\$ -	
Add NBV of amortized leasehold inducement Add rent expense for the year	8,834 42,187	
Less rents paid during the year	(46,875)	
Balance at end of year	\$ 4,146	

10. Investment in Capital Assets

Net assets invested in capital assets are calculated as follows:

	<u>2018</u>
Capital assets	\$ 56,494
Less deferred contributions to related capital assets	(4,965)
	\$ 51,529

11. Provincial Government Contributions

	<u>2018</u>
Destination Ontario	\$ 55,900
	\$ 55,900

12. Partnership Revenue and Corporate Investors

	<u>2018</u>
Kingston Destination Group	\$ 10,000
St. Lawrence Parks Commission	120,000
Kingston Accommodation Partners	332,489
City of Kingston	25,972
1000 Islands Rockport Cruises	10,000
Kingston Economic Development Corporation	40,000
Queen's University	6,000
Other	4,522
	\$ 548,983

13. Commitments and Contingencies

- (a) The Corporation is committed to a sub-lease for office space under an operating lease expiring July 2019. The annual lease payments amount to \$46,875 per year.
- (b) The Corporation is committed to a service level agreement with the City of Kingston for information systems and technology services. The annual charges for these services amounted to \$22,922.
- (c) The Corporation is committed to a service level agreement with the City of Kingston for accounting and reporting services. The annual charge for these services amounted to \$18,527.
- (d) The Corporation is committed to a three-year lease with the City of Kingston for the Visitor Information Centre. The lease expires on Dec 31, 2019. The Corporation paid rent of \$39,642

14. Pension Costs and Obligations

The Corporation makes contributions to Empire Life on behalf of its staff to a group retirement savings plan (RSP). The plan offers employees with less than ten years of service a match up to a maximum of 5% of their gross annual salary; employees more than 10 years of service a maximum of 6% of their gross annual salary. In 2018, contributions were made to OMERS and are to be ported over to the new RSP plan, amounts expensed in 2018 \$52,512.

15. Fair Value of Financial Instruments

Financial instruments are initially recognized at fair value and then subsequently at amortized cost with gains or losses recognized in the statement of operations in the period in which the gain or loss occurs.

The carrying amounts for cash, accounts receivable and accounts payable approximate their fair market values because of the short-term nature of these instruments.

It is management's opinion that the Corporation is not exposed to significant interest rate, liquidity or credit risks arising from its financial instruments.

16. Related Party Transactions

The Corporation of the City of Kingston (the "City") significantly influences the Corporation by virtue of the fact that the City has representation on the Board of the Directors and is the major source of revenue for the Corporation.

The Corporation operates under a service level agreement with the City whereby the City pays certain expenses on behalf of the Corporation. The Corporation has a \$120,365 payable to the City at year-end related to its service level agreement.

The City provided revenues of \$1,347,400 to the Corporation.

The Corporation paid the City for information systems and technology services, rent for the Tourism Kingston's Visitor Information Centre and accounting services as described in note 13(b), (c) and (d).

The transactions are measured at the exchange amount, which is the amount of consideration established and agreed to by the related parties.

17. Economic Dependence

The Corporation is economically dependent on the continued financial support of the Corporation of the City of Kingston. The Corporation derives a significant portion of its revenues each year from the City. Continued existence of the Corporation is dependent on the future financial support of the City.

18. Restructuring

During the 2016 Review Process, it was confirmed by City Council that the Destination Marketing Organization portfolio ("Tourism Kingston") would be separated from Kingston Economic Development Corporation.

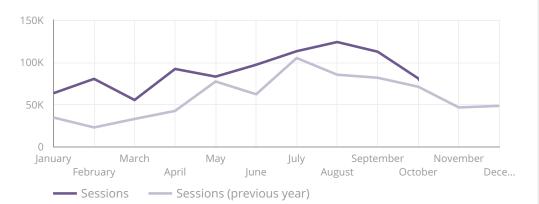
During the 2017 year, Tourism Kingston was incorporated as a separate entity. Tourism Kingston established its own Board of Directors and hired an executive director and staff. Tourism Kingston has reported its net assets, revenues and expenses as a department of Kingston Economic Development Corporation for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2017.

The separation of Tourism Kingston into a standalone not-for-profit Corporation is to be completed effective January 1, 2018. The expected net asset transfer from Kingston Economic Development Corporation to Tourism Kingston is \$282,450.

Oct 1, 2018 - Oct 31, 2018

CONSUMPTION

Is our content marketing working?



GLOSSARY OF TERMS

SESSIONS

of times your site was visited.

USERS

of people who visited your site.

PAGE VIEWS

of pages that have been viewed on your site.

% RETURN VISITORS

% of user who have visited your site more than once.

* All percent change is Year Over Year



\$ESSIONS **81.2K 1**3.8%



USERS 64.4K



PAGE VIEWS 133.5K

RETENTION

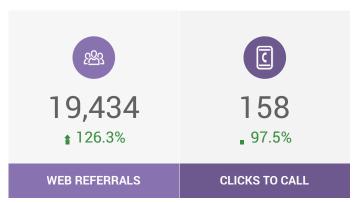
Are users coming back and consuming our content?



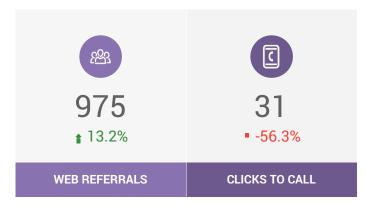
LEAD GENERATION

Are users converting online?

OPERATORS



HOTELS



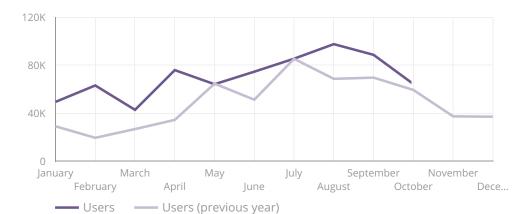
CLOSSABY OF

CONSUMPTION

How is our audience using our site?



64,436







00:01:20

■ -0.6%

1.64

■ -8.7%

00:02:04

23.4%

AVG. TIME ON SITE

PAGES / SESSION

AVG. TIME ON PAGE

GLOSSARY OF TERMS

Oct 1, 2018 - Oct 31, 2018

USERS

of people who visited your site.

AVG. TIME ON SITE

Average time spent on site during one session.

PAGES/SESSION

Average # of pages viewed per session.

AVG. TIME ON PAGE

Average time spent on a single page.

IMPRESSIONS

The number of times your content was served to users on Twitter & Facebook.

ENGAGEMENTS

The total number of engagements across Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram.

LINK CLICKS

The number of clicks on links within your content on Twitter & Facebook.

* All percent change is Year Over Year

This data is cumulative to today's date.

SOCIAL MEDIA

An overview of activity on our social media channels



6,364
INSTAGRAM FOLLOWERS

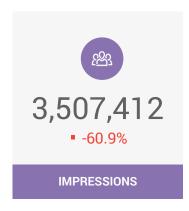


52,423 FACEBOOK LIKES

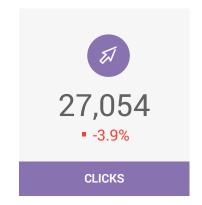


6,120

TWITTER FOLLOWERS



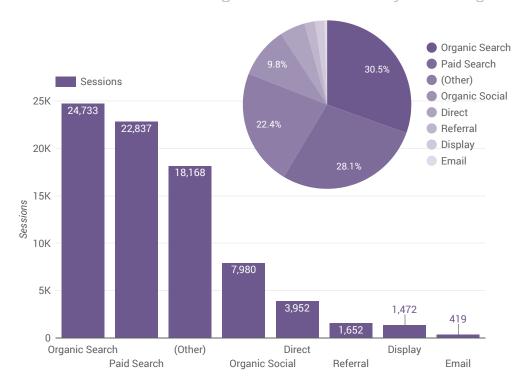




Oct 1, 2018 - Oct 31, 2018

Website Metrics

Where is our audience coming from and what are they consuming?



GLOSSARY OF TERMS

OTHER

Paid media sources like paid Facebook and Instagram, and YouTube.

ORGANIC SEARCH

Visitors referred by an unpaid search engine listing.

ORGANIC SOCIAL

Visitors from organic social posts.

PAID SEARCH

Visitors from paid search ads.

DIRECT

Visitors who visited the site by typing the URL directly into their browser or from bookmarks, untagged links within emails or documents.

REFERRAL

Visitors referred by links on other websites.

DISPLAY

Visitors from display advertising.

Website Metrics - Top 10

TRAFFIC BY CITY

	City	Sessions 🔻
1.	Kingston	25,055
2.	Toronto	10,508
3.	Montreal	9,321
4.	Ottawa	6,283
5.	(not set)	1,890
6.	Belleville	1,361
7.	Mississauga	1,225
8.	Hamilton	958
9.	Brampton	931
10.	Brockville	876

MOST VISITED PAGES

	Page	Pageviews
1.	www.visitkingston.ca/25-things-to-do-in-kingston-in-october/	22,137
2.	www.visitkingston.ca/	6,318
3.	www.visitkingston.ca/events/	6,030
4.	www.visitkingston.ca/9-kingston-eats-you-need-to-try-for-under-10/	5,419
5.	www.visitkingston.ca/makers/	4,448
6.	www.visitking ston.ca/meeting-planners/accommodations-venues/kingst	4,250
7.	www.visitkingston.ca/25-things-to-do-this-november-in-kingston-2018/	3,062
8.	www.visitkingston.ca/packages/	3,052
9.	www.visitkingston.ca/today/	2,968
10.	www.visitkingston.ca/packages/kingston-penitentiary-tours/	2,349

Oct 1, 2018 - Oct 31, 2018

EMAIL MARKETING

An overview of email campaigns this month

CONSUMER NEWSLETTER







1,146
TOTAL UNIQUE OPENS



45% AVERAGE OPEN RATE



466 TOTAL CLICKS



BENCHMARKS: Open Rate - 24% | CTR - 12%

MEMBER NEWSLETTER *no delivery this month







O UNIQUE OPENS



O OPEN RATE



O CLICKS



GLOSSARY OF TERMS

DELIVERIES

Number of successful emails sent.

UNIQUE OPENS

of people who opened your emails.

OPEN RATE

Opens divided by deliveries.

CLICKS

of clicks that were taken on your email.

CTR

Clicks divided by unique opens.

Oct 1, 2018 - Oct 31, 2018

PAID DIGITAL

A snapshot of our digital ads in market this month.

FACEBOOK/INSTAGRAM NETWORK

Campaign name ▼	Impressions	Reach	Link clicks	CTR	Video Views
Post: "With so many restaurants in Kingston, how can	84.8K	41.6K	3.6K	4.29%	null
Post: "We've pulled in a great crop of things to keep"	62.6K	37.4K	1K	1.67%	null
Post: "The PumpHouse Museum is just one of Kingsto	119K	56.4K	754	0.63%	null
Post: "In our first post covering Kingston's fabulous"	34K	19.8K	837	2.46%	null
October_Promo	200.9K	94.3K	5.4K	2.7%	12.4K
NovemberPromo	50K	28.7K	1.3K	2.56%	4K
Makers	143.8K	83.7K	4.5K	3.12%	15.1K
12410_FALL_Instreams	459.1K	162.4K	352	0.08%	22.3K
12410_FALL	268K	147.1K	4.1K	1.52%	7.2K
12319_PenPromo_Stream	277.6K	110.9K	256	0.09%	12.4K
12319_PenPromo	117.5K	80K	2.1K	1.77%	null
12318_LiveMusic3_Stream	76.7K	37.7K	44	0.06%	3.3K
12318_LiveMusic3	135.7K	65.6K	5.9K	4.32%	30.7K
Grand total	2M	663.9K	30.1K	1.48%	107.4K

Oct 1, 2018 - Oct 31, 2018

PAID DIGITAL

A snapshot of our digital ads in market this month.

GOOGLE ADWORDS DISPLAY NETWORK & YOUTUBE

Campaign ⊘ ▼	Campaign type 🕡 –	Impressions	Clicks	CTR
Makers_Bumper_3	Video	105K	250	+0%
Makers_Bumper_2	Video	39K	120	+0%
Makers_Bumper_1	Video	27K	66	+0%
LiveMusic3_YT_Bumper_TOROTT	Video	167K	510	+0%
LiveMusic3_YT_Bumper_MON	Video	251K	1K	+0%
FALL_Pen_TO	Video	79K	80	+0%
FALL_Pen_OM	Video	36K	52	+0%
FALL_Music_TO	Video	33K	28	+0%
FALL_Music_OM	Video	83K	76	+0%
FALL_Bumpers_TO	Video	62K	64	+0%
FALL_Bumpers_OM	Video	131K	125	+0%
12319_PenPromo_Youtube_TorOtt	Video	98K	78	+0%
12319_PenPromo_Youtube_Mon	Video	426K	382	+0%
Makers_GDN	Display Only	1 M	359	+0%
LiveMusic3_GDN_TorOtt	Display Only	888K	362	+0%
LiveMusic3_GDN_Mon	Display Only	359K	98	+0%
FALL_Display_Packages_TO	Display Only	392K	172	+0%
FALL_Display_Packages_OM	Display Only	213K	42	+0%
FALL_Display_Fright_TO	Display Only	169K	97	+0%
FALL_Display_Fright_OM	Display Only	112K	34	+0%
	Grand total	6M	5K	+0%

Oct 1, 2018 - Oct 31, 2018

PAID DIGITAL

A snapshot of our digital ads in market this month.

GOOGLE ADWORDS SEARCH NETWORK - Search Warrant

	Campaign	Campaign type	Impressions ▼	Clicks	CTR
1.	KA:18 Perpetual	Search Only	44K	2K	4%
2.	KA:18 Things to do in October	Search Only	33K	5K	14%
3.	KA:18 October Events: Fort Fright	Search Only	22K	8K	39%
4.	KA:18 Spring/Summer	Search Only	21K	3K	16%
5.	KA:18 Kingston Pen Tours (end Oct 28)	Search Only	12K	4K	29%
6.	KA:18 November Events: Thank you: Canada Tour	Search Only	7K	405	6%
7.	KA:18 October Events: Fall Public Market	Search Only	6K	526	8%
8.	KA:18 October Events: Serena Ryder	Search Only	6K	175	3%
9.	KA:18 October Events: John Mellencamp	Search Only	3K	88	3%
10.	KA:18 October Events: Haunted Walks	Search Only	2K	496	22%
11.	KA:18 November Events: Santa Parade	Search Only	2K	542	33%
12.	KA:18 Things to do in November	Search Only	1K	232	17%
13.	KA:18 Things to do in December	Search Only	639	72	11%
14.	KA:18 Lumina Borealis	Search Only	578	137	24%
15.	KA:18 November Events: Dia de los Muertosa	Search Only	517	32	6%
16.	KA:18 October Events: Kingston Food Tours	Search Only	258	28	11%
17.	KA:18 December Events: Kingston Holiday Market	Search Only	209	101	48%
18.	KA:18 November Events: Judgement of Kingston	Search Only	155	61	39%
19.	KA:18 December Events: Art Fest Christmas	Search Only	114	25	22%
20.	KA:18 December Events: Fat Goose Holiday Market	Search Only	36	11	31%
		Grand total	162K	25K	15%

Oct 1, 2018 - Oct 31, 2018

YTD TOTALS OF PAID CAMPAIGNS

A snapshot of performance to date of ongoing and finished campaigns.

FALL CAMPAIGN



IMPRESSIONS 19,882,863



63,917



VIDEO VIEWS 1,462,891

MAKERS CAMPAIGN



1MPRESSIONS 2,773,987



8,850



video views **267,704**

LIVE MUSIC CAMPAIGN



IMPRESSIONS **5,349,333**



23,291



1,210,480

PEN PROMO CAMPAIGN



7,875,304



12,178



VIDEO VIEWS **822,446**

Oct 1, 2018 - Oct 31, 2018

LEAD GENERATION

A snapshot of our digital lead generation

LEAD GENERATION BY CHANNEL

Visit Kingston Website Performance

KINGSTON

(oct 1, 2018 - Oct 31.	, 2018		 Defaul 	t Channel	Grouping		Ψ.			
٧	Website Sessions Operator Web Referrals		rals Ope	Operator Phone Calls		KAP Web Referrals		KAP Phone Calls		KAP Newsletter	
	81,213	19,434		158		975 • -44.3%		31		107	
	Default Channel Grou.	. Sessions *	Operator Wei	b Referrals C	Operator Phone Calls		KAP Web Referrals		KAP Phone Calls		
1.	Organic Search	24,733	5,419	21.91%	54	0.22%	304	1.23%	13	0.05%	
2	Paid Search	22,837	10,547	46.18%	75	0.33%	192	0.84%	3	0.01%	
3,	(Other)	18,168	2,019	11.11%	9	0.05%	256	1.41%	2	0.01%	
4.	Social	7,980	416	5.21%	4	0.05%	20	0.25%	2	0.03%	
5.	Direct	3,952	545	13.79%	31	0.28%	98	2.48%	8	0.2%	
6.	Referral	1,652	333	20.16%	4	0.24%	72	4.36%	2	0.12%	
7.	Display	1,472	44	2.99%	-1	0.07%	13	288%	1.	0.07%	
8.	Email	419]	111	26.49%	0	0%	20	4.77%	0	0%	

TOP OUTBOUND CLICKS (WEBSITE REFERRALS TO PARTNERS AND COMMUNITY)

Event Action	Total Clicks ▼
http://www.fortfright.com/info/	6.4K
http://www.1000islandscruises.ca/	2K
https://kingstonpublicmarket.ca/	1.2K
http://www.kingstonpentour.com/	782
https://www.wolfeisland.com/maze/	704
http://www.frontenacarchbiosphere.ca/explore/fab-trails/hike/hiking-trails/rock-dunder	585
http://www.kingstonfoodtours.ca/	563
https://hauntedwalk.com/kingston-tours/	544
http://www.forthenry.com/	510
http://postmediakiosk.milibris.com/reader/70746d3b-2402-4f93-b67d-c504c42892b2?origin=/catalog/official-kingston-visitor-gu	495
https://www.marriott.com/hotels/hotel-deals/ygkdk-delta-hotels-kingston-waterfront/	482
https://www.sherlocksescapes.com/	382
http://www.kingstongrand.ca/	378
https://www.memorialcentrefarmersmarket.ca/	374

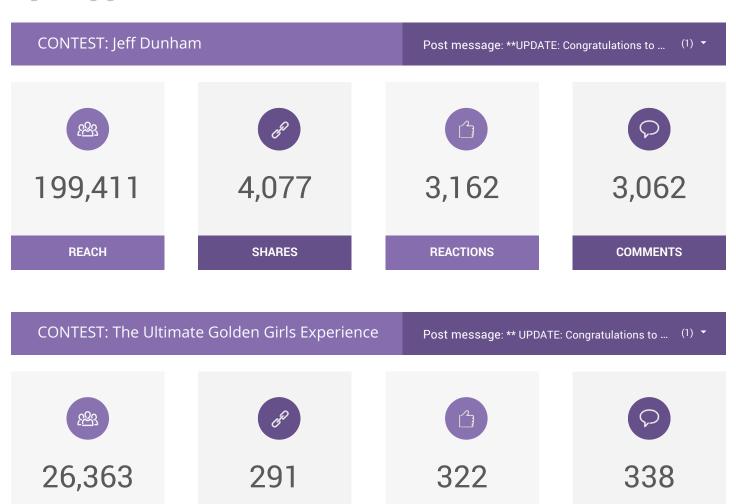
BENCHMARKS: Facebook&Instagram CTR - 0.9-1.76% | Display - 0.09% | Video (YouTube) - 0.45%

Oct 1, 2018 - Oct 31, 2018

CONTESTS

REACH

Organic engagement from our contests on Facebook



REACTIONS

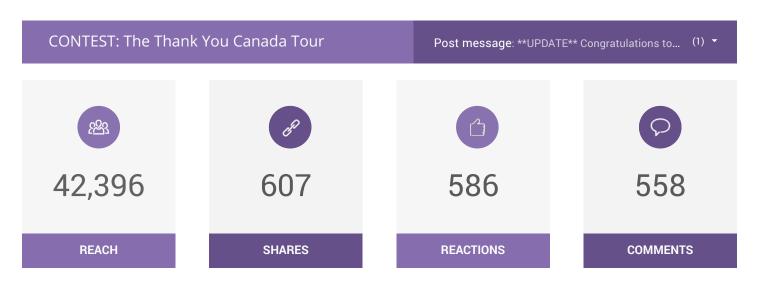
SHARES

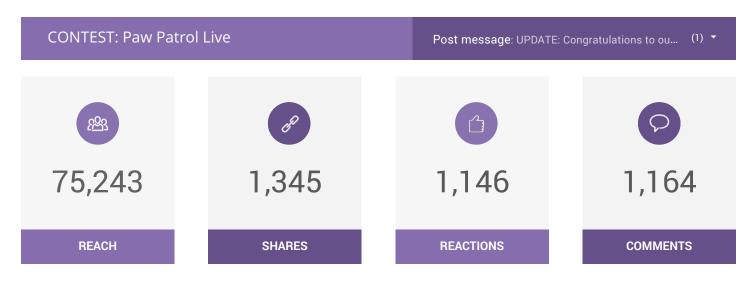
COMMENTS

Oct 1, 2018 - Oct 31, 2018

CONTESTS

Organic engagement from our contests on Facebook





#linKingston

Amount of user generated content from interactive sign



841 POSTS



681 USERS





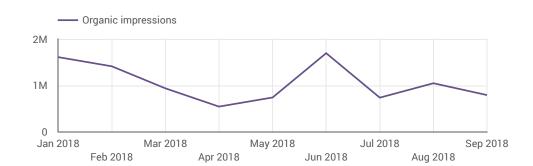
Oct 1, 2018 - Oct 31, 2018

FACEBOOK

A snapshot of our content marketing in action.



New likes



1,239,787 **ORGANIC REACH**





769,184 VIRAL REACH



GLOSSARY OF TERMS

NEW LIKES

Likes generated this month.

ORGANIC IMPRESSIONS

The number of times your content or page was viewed through non-paid

ORGANIC REACH

The number of people who saw your content or page through non-paid activity.

VIRAL IMPRESSIONS

Impressions from shared content.

ORGANIC VIDEO VIEWS

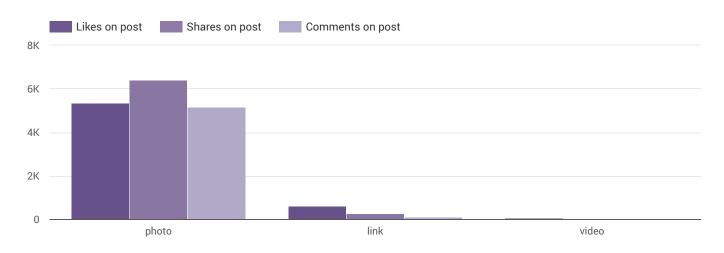
Video views obtained through nonpaid activity.

ENGAGEMENT RATE

of people Who liked, commented, shared, or clicked on your content divided by the # of people who saw the content.

ENGAGEMENT BY POST TYPE

What types of content are users engaging with the most?



Oct 1, 2018 - Oct 31, 2018

Website

Web Referrals and Clicks to Call for operators and Web Referrals to hoteliers are higher year over year for October. Referrals and clicks are down slightly from last month which follows the seasonal trends we are used to seeing.

Website traffic continues to ebb as the winter approaches, but is also 14% higher than last year.

Paid Social

We had many campaigns in market in addition to our monthly content promotion. Campaigns in market include The Kingston Pen Promo, Live Music, Fall RTO9, and Makers Campaign. Campaigns were live on Facebook, Instagram, YouTube, and Google Display Network. All campaigns have been optimized for the best performing channels, ad types, and audiences to ensure maximum performance. Other paid media includes On Route and Kingston Music Posters in Toronto.

Music Campaign

Our live music campaign generated an impressive amount of impressions, video views, and traffic to the website. Our average CTR was well above benchmarks and the October Canvas piece generated the highest CTR (all) of over 5%. Facebook, Google Display, and YouTube worked together to create awareness and send traffic to the website to help solidify Kingston's position as a live music hub.

Makers Campaign

GDN and YouTube bumper ads are getting a very economical average CPM which is great for awareness, CTR is a little lower than our benchmarks but similar to what we see in other campaigns and is still driving very cost-efficient traffic to the website.

Facebook has a little more expensive average CPM than we've seen in the past but the CTRs are great. Our best performing ad so far has been the Marnie video on Facebook which generated a CTR (all) of 7.49%. The individual ad units are flighted throughout the campaign. All ads that have run so far have CTRs (all) over our benchmarks.

Paid Search

New highlighted event campaigns contributing to improvements account wide:

- -Cost-per-click is down 22% MoM
- -Conversion rate is up 28% MoM
- -Operator web referrals from paid search up 58% MoM

Email

Open rates and CTR continue to be well above industry standards.

The Members newsletter was not deployed in October.

Social

Social media impressions are showing a decrease in year over year which is a reflection of the Elton John contest and the Haunted Kingston program from last year which drove high metrics. Month over month is showing a decline in impressions and clicks which follows our seasonal trends of less activity in the winter, but there were just over 6,000 more engagements in October versus September which could be due to the increased number of contests that were in market.

Coming Up

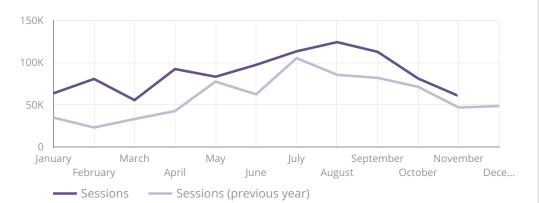
- Lumina campaign launched November 1st
- · Paid Search content for December including Lumina Borealis

Alphabet[®]

Nov 1, 2018 - Nov 30, 2018

CONSUMPTION

Is our content marketing working?



GLOSSARY OF TERMS

SESSIONS

of times your site was visited.

USERS

of people who visited your site.

PAGE VIEWS

of pages that have been viewed on your site.

% RETURN VISITORS

% of user who have visited your site more than once.

* All percent change is Year Over Year



SESSIONS **60.5K** 29.1%



USERS 47.0K = 25.6%



PAGE VIEWS 102.3K

RETENTION

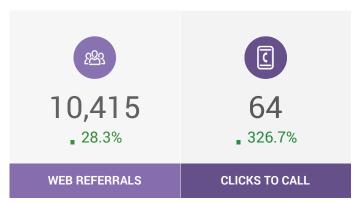
Are users coming back and consuming our content?



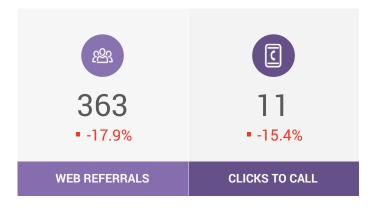
LEAD GENERATION

Are users converting online?

OPERATORS



HOTELS



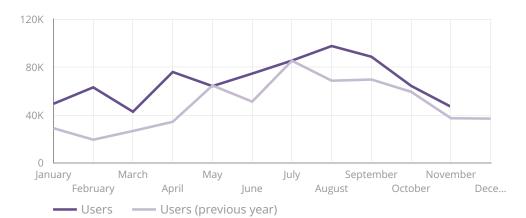
Nov 1, 2018 - Nov 30, 2018

CONSUMPTION

How is our audience using our site?



47,045







00:01:31

-4.5%

1.69

■ -6.7%

00:02:10

12.4%

AVG. TIME ON SITE

PAGES / SESSION

AVG. TIME ON PAGE

GLOSSARY OF TERMS

USERS

of people who visited your site.

AVG. TIME ON SITE

Average time spent on site during one session.

PAGES/SESSION

Average # of pages viewed per session.

AVG. TIME ON PAGE

Average time spent on a single page.

IMPRESSIONS

The number of times your content was served to users on Twitter & Facebook.

ENGAGEMENTS

The total number of engagements across Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram.

LINK CLICKS

The number of clicks on links within your content on Twitter & Facebook.

* All percent change is Year Over Year

This data is cumulative to today's date.

SOCIAL MEDIA

An overview of activity on our social media channels



6,364
INSTAGRAM FOLLOWERS

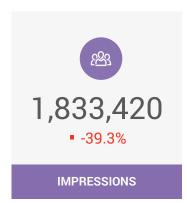


52,548 FACEBOOK LIKES

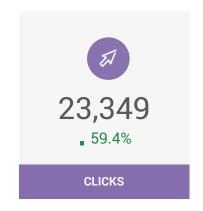


6,120

TWITTER FOLLOWERS



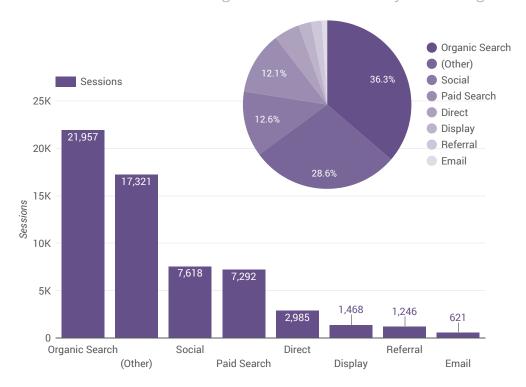




Nov 1, 2018 - Nov 30, 2018

Website Metrics

Where is our audience coming from and what are they consuming?



GLOSSARY OF TERMS

OTHER

Paid media sources like paid Facebook and Instagram, and YouTube.

ORGANIC SEARCH

Visitors referred by an unpaid search engine listing.

ORGANIC SOCIAL

Visitors from organic social posts.

PAID SEARCH

Visitors from paid search ads.

DIRECT

Visitors who visited the site by typing the URL directly into their browser or from bookmarks, untagged links within emails or documents.

REFERRAL

Visitors referred by links on other websites.

DISPLAY

Visitors from display advertising.

Website Metrics - Top 10

TRAFFIC BY CITY

	City	Sessions ▼
1.	Kingston	22,950
2.	Toronto	6,963
3.	Montreal	5,411
4.	Ottawa	4,462
5.	(not set)	1,379
6.	Belleville	898
7.	Mississauga	778
8.	Hamilton	575
9.	Brockville	485
10.	Quinte West	450

MOST VISITED PAGES

	Page	Pageviews -
1.	www.visitkingston.ca/25-things-to-do-this-november-in-kingston-2018/	11,726
2.	www.visitkingston.ca/25-things-to-do-this-december-in-kingston-2018/	6,263
3.	www.visitkingston.ca/events/	6,044
4.	www.visitkingston.ca/	5,681
5.	www.visitkingston.ca/see-do/winter/	5,315
6.	www.visitkingston.ca/makers/	2,766
7.	www.visitkingston.ca/kingstons-burger-bucket-list-2/	2,762
8.	www.visitkingston.ca/all-about-kingstons-lumina-borealis/	2,350
9.	www.visitkingston.ca/today/	2,311
10.	www.visitkingston.ca/west-end-kingston-favourites/	2,303

Nov 1, 2018 - Nov 30, 2018

EMAIL MARKETING

An overview of email campaigns this month

CONSUMER NEWSLETTER







1,167
TOTAL UNIQUE OPENS



44%
AVERAGE OPEN RATE



510 TOTAL CLICKS



BENCHMARKS: Open Rate - 24% | CTR - 12%

MEMBER NEWSLETTER







38
UNIQUE OPENS



48% OPEN RATE



16 CLICKS



42%

GLOSSARY OF TERMS

DELIVERIES

Number of successful emails sent.

UNIQUE OPENS

of people who opened your emails.

OPEN RATE

Opens divided by deliveries.

CLICKS

of clicks that were taken on your email.

CTR

Clicks divided by unique opens.

Nov 1, 2018 - Nov 30, 2018

PAID DIGITAL

A snapshot of our digital ads in market this month.

FACEBOOK/INSTAGRAM NETWORK

Campaign name ▼	Impressions	Reach	Link clicks	CTR	Video Views
Post: "You can't really go wrong with a good burger,"	107.9K	46.4K	2.8K	2.55%	null
Post: "This November, make the most of these chilly d	140.3K	59.9K	4.5K	3.2%	null
Post: "Lumina Borealis opens Friday! While you're in"	40.4K	26.1K	982	2.43%	null
Post: "Kingston's West End is filled with great places"	67.9K	30K	2.2K	3.21%	null
Post: "Kingston is quickly becoming a beacon for coff	7.2K	5.2K	192	2.66%	null
Post: "In our first post covering Kingston's fabulous"	31.7K	19.8K	630	1.99%	null
NovemberPromo	126.3K	66K	2.5K	2.01%	10.3K
Makers	111K	67.6K	2.7K	2.41%	12.3K
DecemberPromo	83.7K	43.8K	2.3K	2.69%	8.6K
12407_Lumina_Bumpers	320.5K	97.5K	246	0.08%	17.5K
12407_Lumina	71.5K	38K	1.7K	2.42%	null
Grand total	1.1M	325.1K	20.7K	1.87%	48.7K

Nov 1, 2018 - Nov 30, 2018

PAID DIGITAL

A snapshot of our digital ads in market this month.

GOOGLE ADWORDS DISPLAY NETWORK & YOUTUBE

Campaign ⊘ ▼	Campaign type 🐧 –	Impressions	Clicks	CTR
Makers_Bumpers	Video	84K	204	+0%
12407_Lumina2018_Video_TOR	Video	313K	942	+0%
12407_Lumina2018_Video_OM	Video	303K	1K	+0%
Makers_GDN	Display Only	2M	435	+0%
12407_Lumina2018_Tor	Display Only	1M	640	+0%
12407_Lumina2018_OM	Display Only	1M	673	+0%
				_
	Grand total	5M	4K	+0%

Nov 1, 2018 - Nov 30, 2018

PAID DIGITAL

A snapshot of our digital ads in market this month.

GOOGLE ADWORDS SEARCH NETWORK - Search Warrant

	Campaign	Campaign type	Impressions ▼	Clicks	CTR
1.	KA:18 Things to do in November	Search Only	16K	2K	10%
2.	KA:18 Perpetual	Search Only	6K	500	8%
3.	KA:18 Lumina Borealis	Search Only	6K	1K	24%
4.	KA:18 Things to do in December	Search Only	4K	562	13%
5.	KA:18 December Events: Kingston Holiday Market	Search Only	3K	1K	41%
6.	KA:18 December Events: Santa in the Square	Search Only	3K	470	15%
7.	KA:18 November Events: Santa Parade	Search Only	1K	503	36%
8.	KA:18 November Events: Thank you: Canada Tour	Search Only	1K	90	8%
9.	KA:18 December Events: Art Fest Christmas	Search Only	1K	265	25%
10.	KA:18 December Events: Fat Goose Holiday Market	Search Only	598	212	35%
11.	KA:18 November Events: Dia de los Muertosa	Search Only	240	33	14%
12.	KA:18 November Events: Tone Deaf Festival	Search Only	195	80	41%
13.	KA:18 November Events: Judgement of Kingston	Search Only	77	32	42%
14.	KA:18 December Events: Kingston Food Tours	Search Only	76	11	14%
15.	KA:18 Spring/Summer	Search Only	54	8	15%
16.	KA:18 November Events: Beer & Bites Food Tour	Search Only	48	4	8%
17.	KA:18 December Events: Inside Agnes	Search Only	17	1	6%
		Grand total	44K	7K	16%

YTD TOTALS OF PAID CAMPAIGNS

A snapshot of performance to date of ongoing and finished campaigns.

MAKERS CAMPAIGN







LUMINA CAMPAIGN







Nov 1, 2018 - Nov 30, 2018

LEAD GENERATION

A snapshot of our digital lead generation

LEAD GENERATION BY CHANNEL

h	lov 1, 2018 - Nov 3	0.2018			Default	Channel	Grouping		*		
	Vebsite Sessions	Operator Web Refe	erals	Operator Phone	Calls	KAP Wel	Referrals	KAP Phon	e Calls	KAP News	letter
	50,508 -25.5%	10,415		64		363		11 -64.5%		89	
	Default Channel Grou.	. Sessions *	Operato	r Web Referrals	0	perator Phon	e Calls	KAP Web Ref	errals	KAP Phone	Calls
1.	Organic Search	21,957	4,43	20.19%		24	0.11%	185	0.84%	3	0.011
2	(Other)	17,321	2,44	14.12%		16	0.09%	35	0.2%	0	0
l.	Social	7,618	78	10.29%		4	0.05%	16.	0.21%	1	0.01
4.	Paid Search	7,292	2,01	37.67%		6	0.08%	42	0.58%	0	0
\$.	Direct	2,985	36	12.06%		10	0.34%	38	1.27%	. 5	0.17
6.	Display	1,468	2	4 1.63%		0	0%	1	0.07%	0	0
¥.	Referral	1.2461	18	15.09%		3	0.24%	24	1.93%	2	0.10
ı.	Email	621	16	25.933		1	0.16%	22	354%	0	0

TOP OUTBOUND CLICKS (WEBSITE REFERRALS TO PARTNERS AND COMMUNITY)

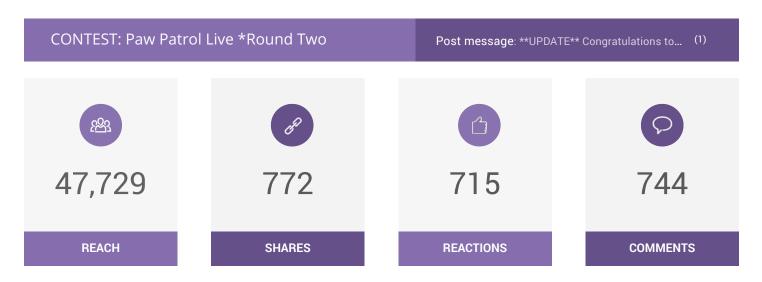
Event Action	Total Clicks ▼
https://www.luminaborealis.com/	612
http://www.kingstonfoodtours.ca/	607
https://www.kingstonsymphony.ca/concerts-events/calendar/all-things-christmas/	582
http://www.fatgoosecraftfair.com/	488
http://www.dominotheatre.com/playbill66.shtml	478
https://www.downtownkingston.ca/events	446
http://www.allcapslock.com/tone-deaf.org/	413
http://www.luminaborealis.com/	412
https://crca.ca/event/lantern-hike/	379
https://www.sherlocksescapes.com/	366
https://www.forthenry.com/events/lumina-borealis/	354
https://www.nickallinson.ca/copy-of-boards/	342
http://www.artfestontario.com/kingston/	335
http://www.leonscentre.com/event/the-thank-you-canada-tour/	313

BENCHMARKS: Facebook&Instagram CTR - 0.9-1.76% | Display - 0.09% | Video (YouTube) - 0.45%

Nov 1, 2018 - Nov 30, 2018

CONTESTS

Organic engagement from our contests on Facebook



#linKingston

Amount of user generated content from interactive sign



855 POSTS



690 USERS





Nov 1, 2018 - Nov 30, 2018

GLOSSARY OF TERMS

Likes generated this month.

ORGANIC IMPRESSIONS

FACEBOOK

A snapshot of our content marketing in action.



New likes

239



ORGANIC REACH

NEW LIKES

The number of people who saw your content or page through non-paid activity.

The number of times your content or page was viewed through non-paid

VIRAL IMPRESSIONS

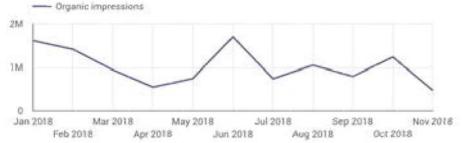
Impressions from shared content.

ORGANIC VIDEO VIEWS

Video views obtained through nonpaid activity.

ENGAGEMENT RATE

of people Who liked, commented, shared, or clicked on your content divided by the # of people who saw the content.





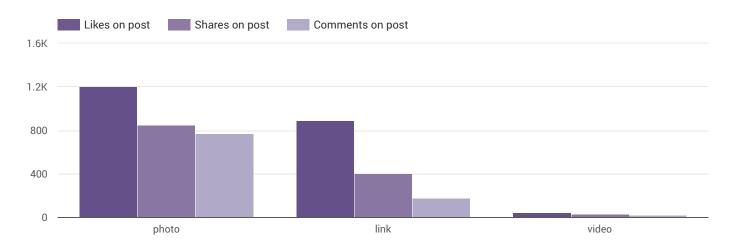






ENGAGEMENT BY POST TYPE

What types of content are users engaging with the most?



Nov 1, 2018 - Nov 30, 2018

Website

Web Referrals and Clicks to Call for operators are higher year over year for November, which shows an increase of interest in the activities available. Leads to Hotel partners are down slightly year over year for November.

Website traffic continues to ebb as the winter approaches, but is also 29% higher than last year with more users and more page views than last year as well.

Paid Social

The Maker Campaign and Lumina campaign were both live during November. Campaigns were live on Facebook, Instagram, YouTube, and Google Display Network. All campaigns have been optimized for the best performing channels, ad types, and audiences to ensure maximum performance.

Makers Campaign

GDN and YouTube bumper ads are getting a very economical average CPM which is great for awareness, CTR is a little lower than our benchmarks but similar to what we see in other campaigns and is still driving very cost-efficient traffic to the website.

Facebook has a little more expensive average CPM than we've seen in the past but the CTRs are great. Our best performing ad so far has been the Marney video on Facebook which generated a CTR (all) of 7.49%. The individual ad units are flighted throughout the campaign. All ads that have run so far have CTRs (all) over our benchmarks.

Lumina Campaign

The GDN and YouTube ads are delivering very high impressions and plenty of clicks to the website. The Ottawa/Montreal audience is performing slightly better in terms of link clicks, however, both audiences are performing well and we recommend continuing with the same budget split between audiences for the remainder of the campaign.

Facebook average CPM is within our average performance and the inclusion of the in stream ads is producing very high impressions for our budget. CTR is well above our benchmarks. Our Ottawa/Montreal audience is slightly less expensive to reach in terms of awareness but our Toronto audience has a higher engagement and CTR. We recommend keeping both audiences in market at equal budgets for the remainder of the campaign. Ad creative has been optimized towards the best performing pieces.

Paid Search

New highlighted event campaigns contributing to improvements account wide:

- -Avg cost-per-click was reduced by ~ 20% MoM (\$0.26 to \$0.21)
- -Interaction rate on our ads improved by 6% MoM (15% to 16%)

Email

Open rates and CTR continue to be well above industry standards.

The Members newsletter was deployed in November and had a similar open rate to previous newsletter but a slightly lower click through rate.

Social

Social media impressions are showing a decrease in year over year. Only one contest was run during the month of November which likely contributed. We did see a large increase in clicks year over year, which is likely due to great content pieces being shared on social which are driving visitors to the website. Month over month is showing a decline in impressions, engagement, and clicks which follows our seasonal trends of less activity in the winter.

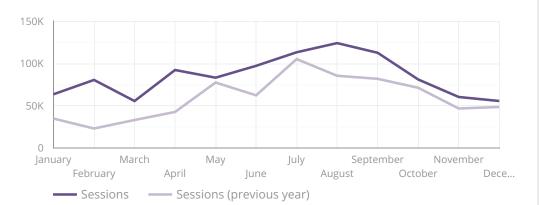
Coming Up

· Winter Campaign including Feb Fest, Family Day, and March Break content.

Dec 1, 2018 - Dec 31, 2018

CONSUMPTION

Is our content marketing working?



GLOSSARY OF TERMS

SESSIONS

of times your site was visited.

USERS

of people who visited your site.

PAGE VIEWS

of pages that have been viewed on your site.

% RETURN VISITORS

% of user who have visited your site more than once.

* All percent change is Year Over Year



\$ESSIONS **55.8K .** 14.4%



USERS 44.8K



PAGE VIEWS 90.8K

RETENTION

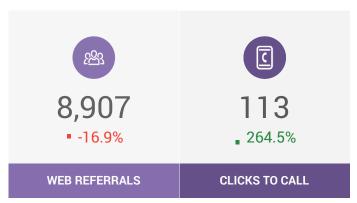
Are users coming back and consuming our content?



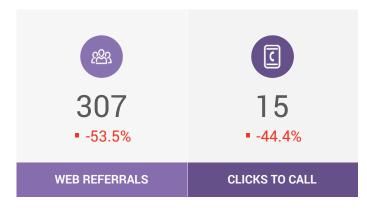
LEAD GENERATION

Are users converting online?

OPERATORS



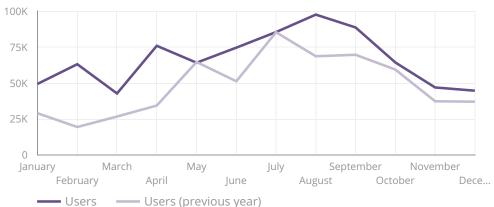
HOTELS



Dec 1, 2018 - Dec 31, 2018

CONSUMPTION How is our audience using our site?







GLOSSARY OF TERMS

USERS

of people who visited your site.

AVG. TIME ON SITE

Average time spent on site during one session.

PAGES/SESSION

Average # of pages viewed per session.

AVG. TIME ON PAGE

Average time spent on a single page.

IMPRESSIONS

The number of times your content was served to users on Twitter & Facebook.

ENGAGEMENTS

The total number of engagements across Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram.

LINK CLICKS

The number of clicks on links within your content on Twitter & Facebook.

* All percent change is Year Over

SOCIAL MEDIA

An overview of activity on our social media channels



This data is cumulative to today's date.



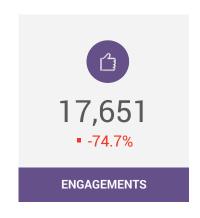
6,860 INSTAGRAM FOLLOWERS

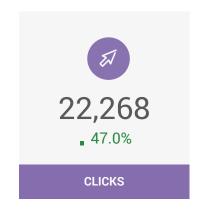


52,745 FACEBOOK LIKES

6,232 TWITTER FOLLOWERS



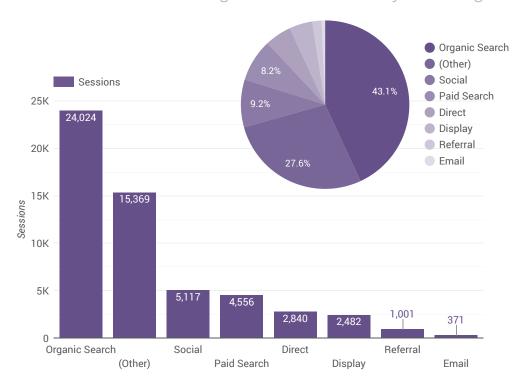




Dec 1, 2018 - Dec 31, 2018

Website Metrics

Where is our audience coming from and what are they consuming?



GLOSSARY OF TERMS

OTHER

Paid media sources like paid Facebook and Instagram, and YouTube.

ORGANIC SEARCH

Visitors referred by an unpaid search engine listing.

ORGANIC SOCIAL

Visitors from organic social posts.

PAID SEARCH

Visitors from paid search ads.

DIRECT

Visitors who visited the site by typing the URL directly into their browser or from bookmarks, untagged links within emails or documents.

REFERRAL

Visitors referred by links on other websites.

DISPLAY

Visitors from display advertising.

Website Metrics - Top 10

TRAFFIC BY CITY

	City	Sessions ▼
1.	Kingston	17,500
2.	Toronto	7,524
3.	Montreal	5,333
4.	Ottawa	4,049
5.	(not set)	1,648
6.	Mississauga	972
7.	Belleville	965
8.	Brampton	646
9.	Hamilton	613
10.	Quinte West	594

MOST VISITED PAGES

	Page	Pageviews
1.	www.visitkingston.ca/25-things-to-do-this-december-in-kingston-2018/	8,992
2.	www.visitkingston.ca/	5,559
3.	www.visitkingston.ca/lumina-borealis-2018-19/	4,803
4.	www.visitkingston.ca/25-things-to-do-in-kingston-in-january-2019/	4,332
5.	www.visitkingston.ca/see-do/winter/	4,252
6.	www.visitkingston.ca/events/	4,202
7.	www.visitkingston.ca/makers/	3,072
8.	www.visitkingston.ca/kingston-adventures-to-pair-with-your-lumina-borea	3,063
9.	www.visitkingston.ca/your-guide-to-nye-in-ygk/	2,866
10.	www.visitkingston.ca/today/	1,925

Alphabet°

Dec 1, 2018 - Dec 31, 2018

EMAIL MARKETING

An overview of email campaigns this month

CONSUMER NEWSLETTER







1,120 TOTAL UNIQUE OPENS



43% AVERAGE OPEN RATE



347 TOTAL CLICKS



BENCHMARKS: Open Rate - 24% | CTR - 12%

MEMBER NEWSLETTER







42
UNIQUE OPENS



58% OPEN RATE



13 CLICKS



GLOSSARY OF TERMS

DELIVERIES

Number of successful emails sent.

UNIQUE OPENS

of people who opened your emails.

OPEN RATE

Opens divided by deliveries.

CLICKS

of clicks that were taken on your email.

CTR

Clicks divided by unique opens.

Dec 1, 2018 - Dec 31, 2018

PAID DIGITAL

A snapshot of our digital ads in market this month.

FACEBOOK/INSTAGRAM NETWORK

Campaign name 🔻	Impressions	Reach	Link clicks	CTR	Video Views
Winter_2019_Videos	107.2K	55.2K	4.1K	3.83%	6.8K
Winter_2019_SponCont	81.5K	44K	1.6K	1.96%	null
Post: "With Kingston being a known foodie hub, it's no"	71.5K	32.7K	1.2K	1.73%	null
Post: "We are counting down to 2019! Ring in the new"	37.4K	17.4K	729	1.95%	null
Post: "T'is the season! Make the most of Kingston's"	86.9K	49.4K	2.1K	2.42%	null
Post: "Lumina Borealis opens Friday! While you're in"	126.6K	70.2K	2.4K	1.92%	null
Post: "Kingston is quickly becoming a beacon for coff	46.5K	24.9K	613	1.32%	null
Makers	86.1K	54.2K	2.2K	2.55%	15.5K
DecemberPromo	158.5K	69.8K	4K	2.5%	13.4K
12407_Lumina_Bumpers	343.2K	102K	223	0.06%	18.6K
12407_Lumina	59.2K	37.2K	1.2K	1.96%	null
Grand total	1.2M	384.7K	20.4K	1.69%	54.3K

Dec 1, 2018 - Dec 31, 2018

PAID DIGITAL

A snapshot of our digital ads in market this month.

GOOGLE ADWORDS DISPLAY NETWORK & YOUTUBE

Campaign ⊘ ▼	Campaign type 🕦 –	Impressions	Clicks	CTR
Winter2019_Winter25Things	Video	12K	10	+0%
Winter2019_Brand_Bumper	Video	288K	624	+0%
Makers_Bumper_3	Video	476K	1K	+0%
Makers_Bumper_2	Video	526K	1K	+0%
Makers_Bumper_1	Video	548K	1K	+0%
12407_Lumina2018_Video_TOR	Video	338K	737	+0%
12407_Lumina2018_Video_OM	Video	441K	1K	+0%
Winter2019_KidFriendly	Display Only	106K	125	+0%
Winter2019_Interactive	Display Only	114K	88	+0%
Winter2019_FamilyDay	Display Only	1M	823	+0%
Makers_GDN	Display Only	2M	508	+0%
12407_Lumina2018_Tor	Display Only	2M	978	+0%
12407_Lumina2018_OM	Display Only	2M	1K	+0%
	Grand total	10M	10K	+0%

GOOGLE ADWORDS SEARCH NETWORK - Search Warrant

	Campaign	Campaign type	Impressions ▼	Clicks	CTR
1.	KA:18 Lumina Borealis	Search Only	16K	3K	20%
2.	KA:18 Things to do in December	Search Only	11K	1K	12%
3.	KA:18 Perpetual	Search Only	5K	637	12%
4.	KA:18 December Events: Kingston Holiday Market	Search Only	2K	799	36%
5.	KA:18 December Events: Santa in the Square	Search Only	2K	317	18%
6.	KA:18 December Events: Art Fest Christmas	Search Only	991	383	39%
7.	KA:19 Things to do in January	Search Only	663	119	18%
8.	KA:18 December Events: Fat Goose Holiday Market	Search Only	251	91	36%
9.	KA:19 January Events: Banff Centre Mountain Film Festival Wo	Search Only	126	11	9%
10.	KA:19 January Events: Classic Kingston Food Tour	Search Only	63	13	21%
11.	KA:19 January Events: Meet the Maker - Wine & Dinner Series	Search Only	5	1	20%
		Grand total	38K	7K	18%

Alphabet°

Dec 1, 2018 - Dec 31, 2018

LEAD GENERATION

A snapshot of our digital lead generation

LEAD GENERATION BY CHANNEL

Visit Kingston Website Performance KINGSTON Default Channel Grouping Dec 1, 2018 - Dec 31, 2018 Operator Web Referrals Operator Phone Calls KAP Web Referrals KAP Phone Calls Website Sessions KAP Newsletter 8,907 55,760 15 56 113 · -7.8% 1 36.4% 1-37.1% Default Channel Grou... Sessions + Operator Web Referrals Operator Phone Calls KAP Web Referrals KAP Phone Calls Organic Search 24,024 4,725 19.67% 85 0.35% 178 0.74% 9 0.04% (Other) 15,369 1,496 9.73% 5 0.03% 23 0.15% 0.01% Social 5,117 591 13.5% 2 0.04% 19 0.37% 1 0.02% Paid Search 4.556 1,407 20.885 ñ-0.13% 21 0.46% 0 0% 0 Direct 2,840 397 10.81% 5 0.18% 28 0.99% 0% 2,482 28 1.13% 1 0.04% 8 0.32% 0 0% Display 4 Referral 1,001 164 16:38% 9 0.9% 22 371 D 0% Email 89 23.993 0 0% B 2.16%

TOP OUTBOUND CLICKS (WEBSITE REFERRALS TO PARTNERS AND COMMUNITY)

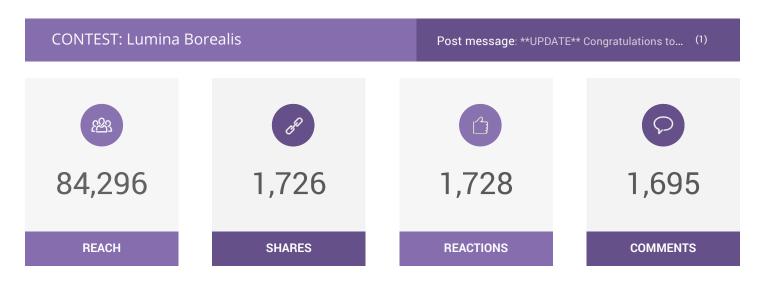
Event Action	Total Clicks 🔻
https://www.luminaborealis.com/	1.3K
http://www.luminaborealis.com/	580
https://www.luminaborealis.com/#tickets	425
http://www.artfestontario.com/kingston/	399
http://www.kingstonfoodtours.ca/	355
https://www.cityofkingston.ca/residents/recreation/facilities/arenas/springer-market-square	324
https://www.downtownkingston.ca/events/2018/holiday-night-hours	311
http://www.kingstonregion.com/events/6888657k-town-countdown/	309
https://crca.ca/event/lantern-hike/	295
https://www.forthenry.com/events/lumina-borealis/	264
http://www.kingstongrand.ca/	218
http://www.1000islandscruises.ca/	201
https://www.sherlocksescapes.com/	198
http://postmediakiosk.milibris.com/reader/70746d3b-2402-4f93-b67d-c504c42892b2?origin=/catalog/official-kingston-visitor-gu	193

BENCHMARKS: Facebook&Instagram CTR - 0.9-1.76% | Display - 0.09% | Video (YouTube) - 0.45%

Dec 1, 2018 - Dec 31, 2018

CONTESTS

Organic engagement from our contests on Facebook



#linKingston

Amount of user generated content from interactive sign



868 POSTS



692 USERS



717,780 IMPRESSIONS



Dec 1, 2018 - Dec 31, 2018

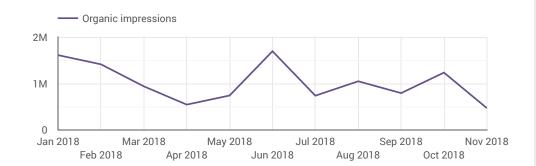
FACEBOOK

A snapshot of our content marketing in action.



New likes

332



427,833 ORGANIC REACH





216,878 VIRAL REACH



GLOSSARY OF TERMS

NEW LIKES

Likes generated this month.

ORGANIC IMPRESSIONS

The number of times your content or page was viewed through non-paid activity.

ORGANIC REACH

The number of people who saw your content or page through non-paid activity.

VIRAL IMPRESSIONS

Impressions from shared content.

ORGANIC VIDEO VIEWS

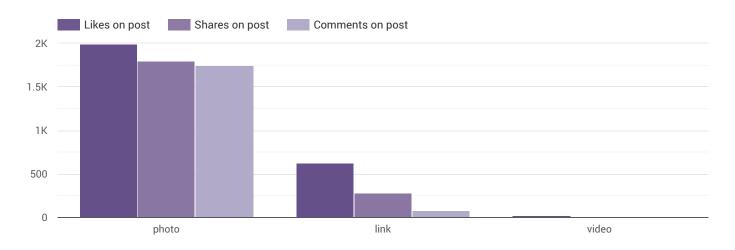
Video views obtained through non-paid activity.

ENGAGEMENT RATE

of people Who liked, commented, shared, or clicked on your content divided by the # of people who saw the content.

ENGAGEMENT BY POST TYPE

What types of content are users engaging with the most?



Alphabet°

Dec 1, 2018 - Dec 31, 2018

Website

Website traffic only dropped slightly for December from November but continues to be higher than last year. Overall sessions for 2018 vs. 2017 were significantly higher as seen by the chart on page 1. Year over year, organic search delivered more sessions in large part due to our on-going investment in timely, relevant content development and SEO effort on pages like Lumina Borealis. Display ads delivered more than twice the number of visits due to an increase in Google Display Ads in our campaigns. Our email traffic also doubled since last year during the month of December. Organic social, paid social, and referral traffic were all on par with last year.

Paid Social

The Maker Campaign and Lumina campaign were both live during December along with promoted content and the beginning of our Winter 2019 campaign. Campaigns were live on Facebook, Instagram, YouTube, and Google Display Network.

Paid Search

- Overall click-through-rate improved by 13% month over month
 - Traffic to the Grand Theatre saw the largest change, an improvement of 37%
- Increased CTR's in December helped contribute to lower cost/visitor overall, down 28% month over month
- We did see a minor drop off in search demand the week of December 24, which is typical in the month of December

Email

Open rates and CTR continue to be well above industry standards, however, December's email had about 10% fewer clicks than the previous few months.

The Members newsletter had a similar open rate to previous newsletters but a slightly lower click-through rate.

Social

The decrease in social media impressions and engagements is due to a contrast of one contest this month compared to five contests during December of last year. Organic impressions are also continuing to decline due to the Facebook algorithm which is continually decreasing organic page reach in favour of friend (non-business accounts) and paid activity. We had almost double the clicks year over year, the majority of which is coming from our Facebook content. This is partly due to better-performing Facebook ads which were able to generate several thousand additional clicks with a smaller budget than the previous year and more clickable organic content.

Coming Up

• Winter Campaign including Feb Fest, Family Day, and March Break content.