The Most Human Brand Wins

How and why to build BRAVE, human-centric brands that transcend in a world of fear and conformity.

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Human Brands Win



There's a better way.



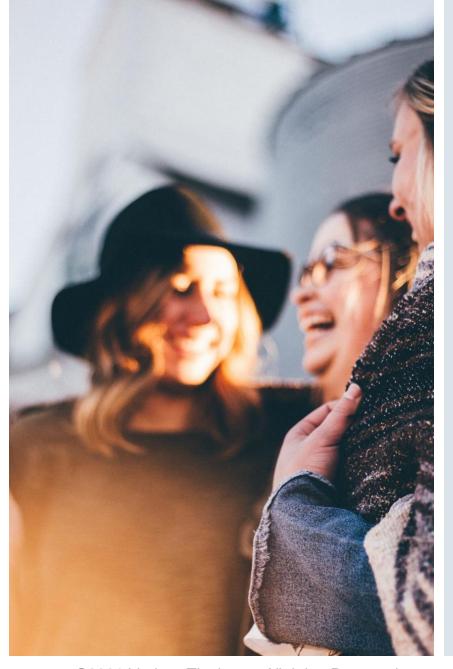
Pursue what is *human*, instead of fearfully following what others claim has been *proven*.



Human Brands



What's a Human Brand?



BRAVE

- Relationships transactions
- Encourage **BOLD** creativity
- Pursue deep, authentic connections
- And...



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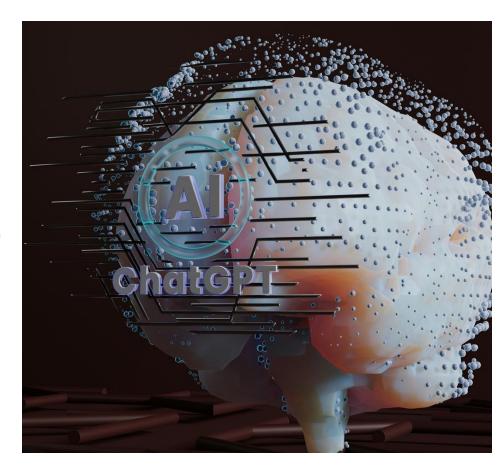


Well, then, why isn't every brand a Human Brand?





Human Brands Require Human Brains.





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FEAR. SCARCITY. PRESSURE. GRIND. LOSS. HIGH STAKES. LAYOFFS. BUDGET CUTS. ROI. DO MORE WITH LESS. GROWTH. PIVOT. PIPELINE. PROOF. FASTER. DATA. AI. STRESS. ANXIETY. NO TIME.





The audacity pursue what is *human*, instead of fearfully following what others claim to be *proven*.

That's BRAVE.



You have a choice today:

- 1. Give in to the fear and pressure.
- 2. Bravely embrace the audacity of creative boldness.



The world's greatest brands have already given us the answer:

Pursue what is *human*. Don't limit yourself to what is *proven*.



I want to see you be...













I want to see you be...











Brand

Relationships

Audacity

Values

Energy



BRAVE: Brand

Does this strengthen the brand so it can transcend and build a legacy and avoid becoming a becoming a commodity?

- Establish Brand Positioning
- Elevate Brand Authenticity
- Differentiate Your Offerings
- Build Brand Consistency
- Strengthen Brand Equity



BRAVE: Relationships

Does this get us closer to or further from the people who are most aligned with the vision?

- Prioritize Depth Over Breadth
- Surround Yourself With Advocates
- Nurture Collaborative Partnerships
- Foster a Sense of Community
- Consider the Long-Term Impact



BRAVE: Audacity

Does this align with the biggest ideas, the unique vision, and the WHY of the business?

- Pursue The Vision
- Prioritize Creativity
- Strengthen Brand Identity
- Energize Your Team



BRAVE: Values

Does this support the brand's core values, or distance us from what we believe is important?

- Authenticity
- Integrity
- Courage
- Empathy
- Responsibility



BRAVE: Energy

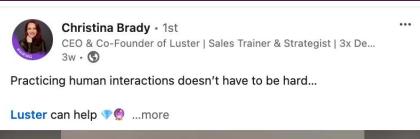
Does this give energy or deplete it? What does my gut tell me?

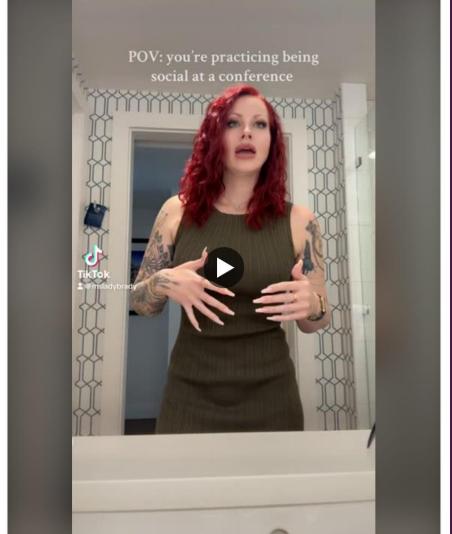
- Does this align with your purpose?
- Examine your reaction
- Consider the long-term impact
- Trust your instincts



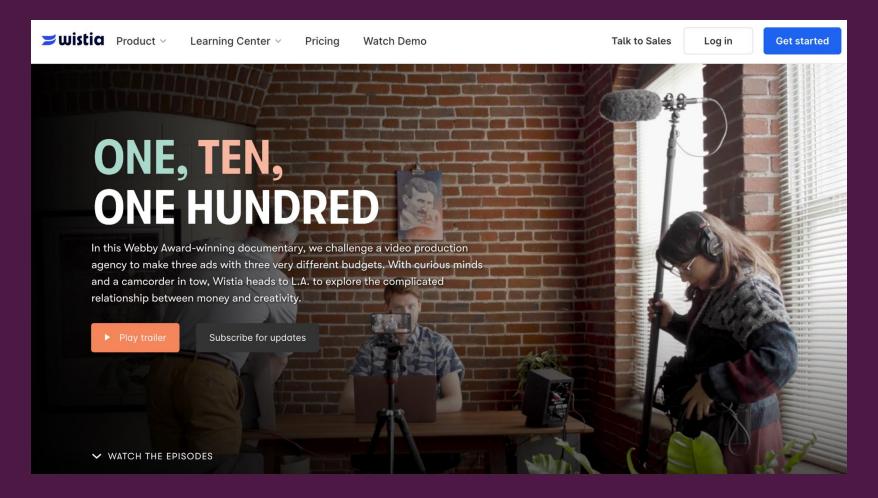
















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