

# 2024 COMMUNITY MARKETING PRESENTATION

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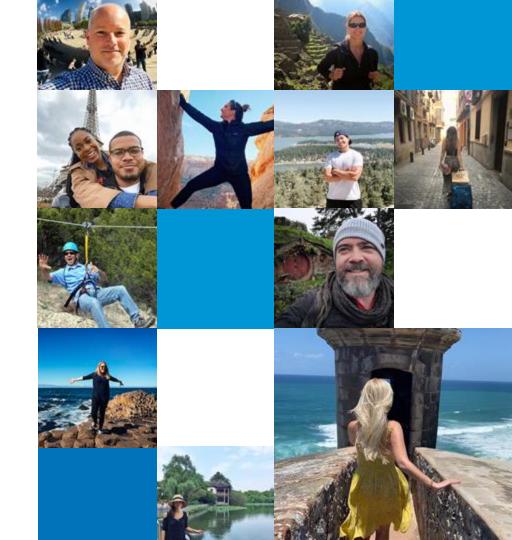
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# About Miles

#### **OUR APPROACH**

## We are Partners.

- >> For Branson
- For your industry
- >>> For the tourism industry at large



## We are not just marketers we are problem solvers



Identify and target opportunities for our destination and hospitality clients



Amplify their brand reach in creative ways



Foster strategic partnerships

Align innovation and creative ideas to strategy







100% Travel



**350+** Marketing Experts



**8-year** Average Client Relationship



**200+** Tourism & Hospitality Brands



**\$170+ Million** in Media Annually



**\$33+ Million** in Industry Participation



## Our Clients

































































Strategic Consulting & Research



Media **Strategy Planning** & Buying



**Branding** & Creative Services



Diversity, Equity & Inclusion **Strategic Consulting** 



Original Content & Video Production



Digital Development Services



Cooperative Advertising Management



Print Publishing & Distribution

#### WHAT SETS US APART

# Our work is always grounded in research.







WHAT SETS US APART

## Best-in-class relationships.













## **Your Miles Team**



**Liz Mabe** Senior Account Director



Maria Pradissitto
Account Manager



Kayla Coe Associate Media Director, Programmatic



**Mary Sergeant**Content Manager



**Kelly Brown**Digital Product Manager



# How Miles Powers Branson's Marketing



Media Strategy Planning & Buying



Website Maintenance & Management



SEO Management



Content Creation



Newsletter Deployments

# 2023 Performance Summary

#### 2023 Digital Media Performance



**261M** 

**Impressions** 

46M

Video completions



2,729,663

**Engaged website sessions** generated by paid media

2,147 Flight Bookings

140,079

**Hotel Bookings** 



36,963,581

Hotel Revenue Generated

\$500K

Total Added Value Received

\$4.15M

Total Digital Media Spend



Google Campaign Manager 360, Google Ads, Meta Ad Manager, Pinterest Ad Manager, GA4 Observed Adara Impact Data



#### 2023 Content Performance

## Rotating Content 🤌



Spring, Summer, Fall, Ozark Mountain Christmas, and Winter

**3,000,000** Impressions

188,000 Clicks

**6.21%**Click-through rate

**6,200**Conversions



### **Live Christmas Music Shows**

More than 15,000 organic sessions



#### 2023 SEO Performance

+ 9.9% Sessions YoY + 10.2% **Users YoY** 

+ 10 sec Session duration **- 14.3%** Bounce Rate

48.6%

Increase in total ranked keywords

22.9%

Increase in page 1 keywords

+ 15.1 %

Newsletter sign-ups

+ 10.1 %

Vacation Guide orders

+ 5.8 %

Partner referrals

Google Analytics



#### 2023 Newsletter Performance



**18** Deployments



38.9%

Increase in subscribers



**1,160,000** Emails delivered

6.13% Avg. Click-Through Rate

55.03%

Avg. Open Rate



1,682

Vacation Guide orders





# Media

#### 2024 Media Objectives

#### Drive awareness of and visitation to Branson

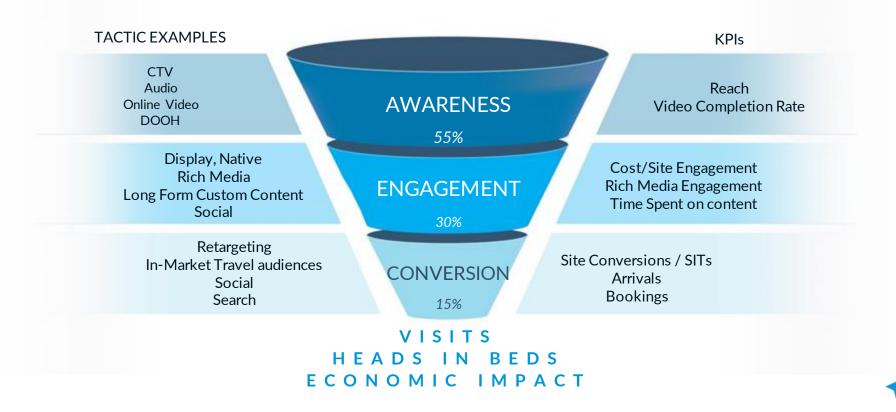
Increase awareness of Branson and its offerings with key audiences

Drive quality site traffic, engagement, and onsite SITs (signals of intent to travel, including eNewsletter Sign-Ups and Vacation Guide Orders)

Generate incremental visitation & arrivals in market



#### **Full Funnel Approach**



## 2024 by the Numbers



Over **\$275K** in added value negotiated



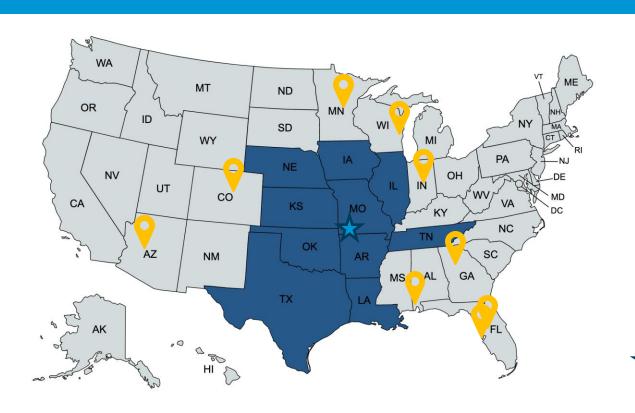
More that 1/3 of spend towards video



3 brand-new creative formats



#### Target Markets

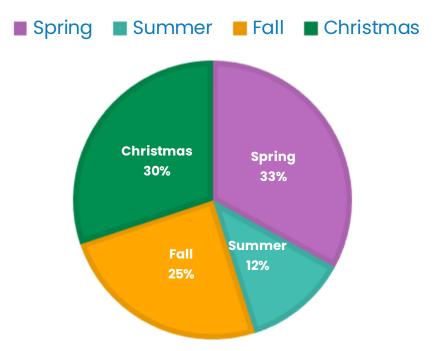


- States: Missouri,
  Arkansas, Oklahoma,
  Kansas, Illinois, Iowa,
  Nebraska, Tennessee,
  Louisiana, Texas
- Paul, Indianapolis-St Paul, Indianapolis, Denver, Phoenix, Tampa, Orlando, Atlanta, Milwaukee, Mobile-Pensacola
- Exclude all Zip Codes in Taney & Stone Counties (MO)

### **Media Planning & Strategy**

CHANNEL	BUDGET
Paid Search	\$570K
Paid Social	\$240K
Banners / Native / Online Video	\$615K
Connected TV / Streaming	\$825K
Audio	\$390K
Digital Out-of-Home	\$390K
Rich Media Experiences	\$250K
Content Distribution	\$200K
Net Media Total	\$3,480,000

#### SEASONAL BUDGET DISTRIBUTION





#### **Media Highlights**



- Stay the course
  Continue to invest in proven channels.
- Prioritize awareness
   Adjusted medium allocation to prioritize investment in upper funnel placements like CTV, DOOH, and Audio.
- Expand the always-on campaign to include more engagement tactics
  - Longer flight dates will provide more opportunities to optimize Pinterest & Rich Media buys.



# Website

#### **Website Highlights**

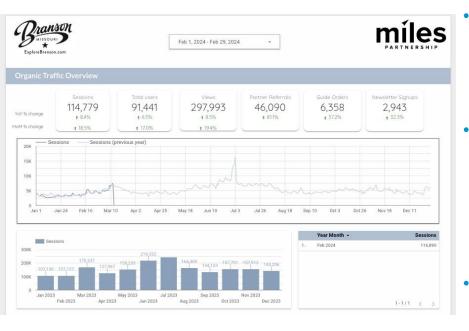


- Interactive Map Completed in 2023.
- Website Maintenance
   Work with the Branson web team to fix any issues that may affect the website as well as implement necessary updates.
- Optimize the Website User Experience Our 2024 focus.
- Ensure Compliance with Website Content Accessibility Guidelines AA 2.2
   This initiative has been ongoing for 11 years



## Content & SEO

#### **Content & SEO Highlights**



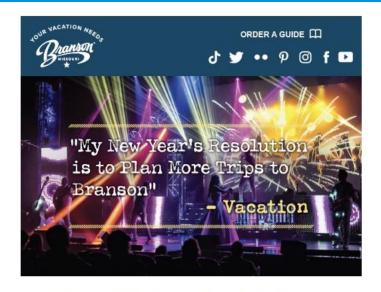
- Monthly Content Recommendations
  Improve organic traffic by providing two
  to three SEO or trend-based
  content recommendations each month.
- Monitor Keyword Performance
  Keep tabs on relevant keywords and
  phrases that Branson's target audience is
  searching for and how the site ranks for
  those queries. Provide recommendations
  based on these findings.
- Maintain a Personalized Content Program

Further the user's on-site journey by providing them with content based on their location, interests, etc.



# Newsletter

#### **Newsletter Highlights**



#### Where to Celebrate New Years Eve in Branson

Ready to ring in the New Year in Branson? Check out the best ways to celebrate! Our live show celebrations, delicious dinners, and world-class attractions know how to bring the party!

VIEW CELEBRATIONS >

#### Increase Click-Through-Rate

Continue to uncover what content is the most engaging to our email audience. Create captivating headlines and descriptions to encourage visitors to click on email content.

#### Improve Post-Click Performance

Ensure that when email readers click over to the site, they land on engaging content that encourages them to further their user journey (e.g., internal links, related content, Bound personalized content, etc.).

#### Maintain Subscriber List

Every month, remove subscribers who have not engaged with emails from Explore Branson in the last 18 months.



## **Thank You**