So you wanna podcast?

Learning what the heck we're doing by doing it.

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How our podcast got its start.

Why audio?

- * You can take it anywhere
- It's personal/conversational
- Easier to record/edit than video
- Long-form interview style lets you get to know the guest & the topic



Establish a podcast identity

- Pick a niche that's not too narrow or too broad
- * Get deeper into that world via social media and industry news
- Know who's who, what those who are plugged in are talking about
- * Reach out to guests with an informed idea of your mission

Hone your interview style

- * Have questions in mind, but LISTEN for where to go next.
- Tangents are ok.
- * Keep up the energy and be yourself.
- * Know what you want to accomplish. Be open about how you get there.









How to record

- Get to know your audio recorder & its whims
- Secure uninterrupted recording space
- Understand audio levels and don't be shy to stop conversation if they're off
- Expand your reach via Skype, Google+



Editing

- Programs: Audacity, Adobe Audition, Garage Band, etc.
- Intros and outros
- Music
- Cleaning up -- removing loud breaths, verbal crutches, stutters



Where your podcast lives

- Website: Wordpress, Blogger, etc.
- * YouTube
- SoundCloud (free but you'll need to pay for storage)
- * Audio server: Bluebrry, Stitcher, etc.
- * RSS feed
- iTunes listing
- * Audio and links to it on your website

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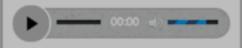
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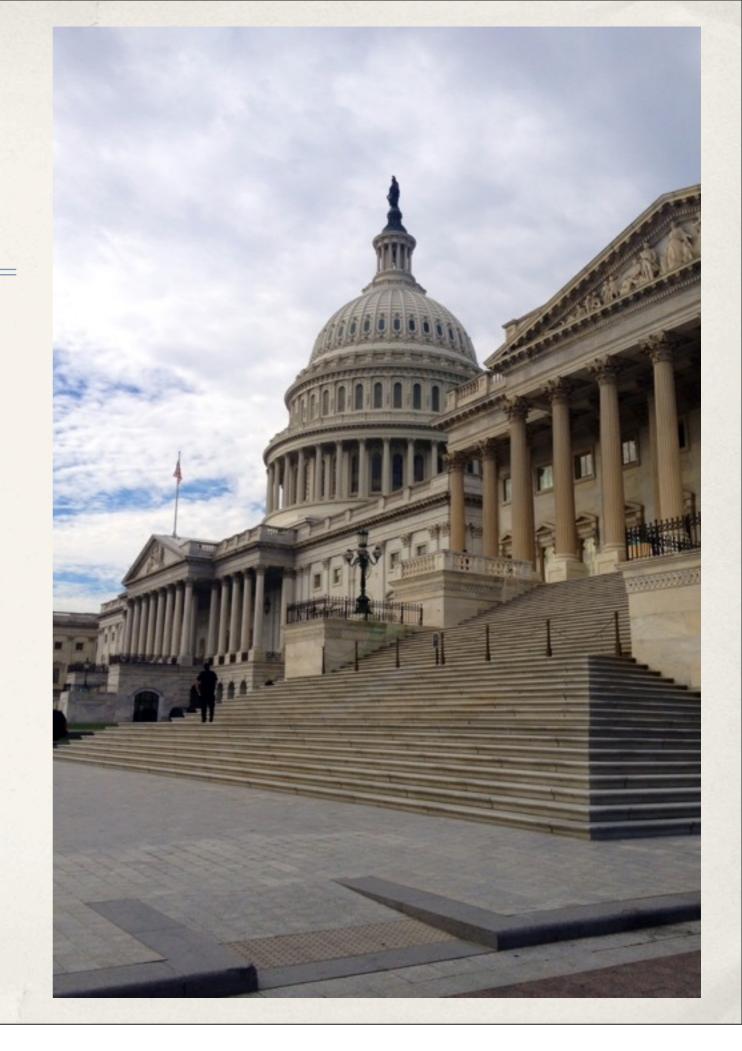


Website content

- * Responsive design, especially important for podcasts digested primarily on mobile
- Story to accompany the audio
- Photos
- Transcripts
- Think SEO in headlining & tagging

Gain traction

- * Promotion via social media
- Analytics from server,
 Soundcloud, Google analytics
- Branding
- Follow up with guests for future casts, references
- Keep up conversations over social media with listeners



Finally...

- * Set expectations based on your man power & commitment
- * How often are you going to publish?
- Plan ahead (to make sure you have enough recorded)
- Pick one social media account and do it well



Questions?

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