

## OTAB Marketing Report May 2018 Reported June 26, 2018

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Key marketing highlights in May and June

### 1) New Social Media Coordinator

Eric Thompson joined the TSF team on June 18 as the Social Media Coordinator. Eric joins the team with over 10 years of experience overseeing social media channels for Taos Ski Valley, Inc. and New Mexico Tourism Department.

### 2) Press FAM and Samantha Brown

TSF hosted Samantha Brown Media's filming crew and the host herself, Samantha Brown, to film a Santa Fe episode of "Places to Love" her new PBS show on June 12-16. The 24 minute episode will air in Q1 of 2019 as part of Season 2 of the series.

TSF partnered with Sunrise Springs Spa Resort to bring eight journalists to Santa Fe, June 13-17 on a group press trip with a "Wellness in Santa Fe" theme. The group included:

- Marci DeWolf Travel News Service
- Michelle Newman Freelance for AAA Ohio, San Antonio News Express, Houston Chronicle
- Skye Sherman Freelance for Lonely Planet, Florida regional magazines
- Channaly Philipp Epoch Times
- Gretchen Kelly Forbes
- Mandy Rich Weight Watchers Magazine
- Sara Green Women's Health
- Leah Lemoine Phoenix Magazine

### 3) Recent Accolades

ReadersDigest.com awarded Santa Fe in a list of the "The Best Weekend Getaways in Every State" on May 15.

TravelPulse awarded Santa Fe Bite for having the "The Best Burger in Every State" on May 7. Santa Fe can be found on Slide 31.

## **HIGHLIGHTS**

# **Santa Fe Margarita Trail**

The TSF team continues to fulfill passport orders; manage prize inventory; promote the Trail on social media and through PR efforts; and maintain communication with Margarita Trail participants.

### Cumulative Totals (as of 6/18/18)

- 2.966 Passports have sold from the 3 TOURISM Santa Fe Visitor Centers
- 640 Margarita Trail Apps have been downloaded
- 5,158 Passports have been ordered by Margarita Trail establishments to sell or use in promotions
- 2,880 T-shirts that have been redeemed by Passport holders earning 5 stamps
- **152** Copies of *The Great Margarita Book* redeemed by Passport holders earning 20 stamps.
- **84** Bartender Kits redeemed by Passport holders earning all 31 stamps and completing the Trail.

#### **Public Relations**

- 4 Press Releases
- 111 Journalist have experienced the Trail
- \$4,528,218 amount of earned media

#### Social Media

 380 Total Social media posts. This total includes all organic posts to Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Pinterest, YouTube, Google+ and blog posts.

## **Partnership with Santa Fe County**

Monthly Blogs are being written by Santa Fe County and published on TSF's blog page. The following blog was published in May:

5/8/18: Legendary Classics in Santa Fe: World-Class Operas & Vintage Volkswagens

To date in 2018, a total of 3,354 marketing collateral requests for Santa Fe County have been processed and fulfilled.

# MONTHLY METRICS

## **WEBSITE & NEWSLETTERS**

#### **May 2018 Performance Metrics**

All website performance metrics saw increases in May when compared to last year. Organic Search trended up this month as we saw a 6.28% increase Y/Y. Texas continues to be our #1 state visiting the site accounting for 22.61% of all site traffic this month. California comes second at 13%, New Mexico third 11.43%, and Colorado fourth at 10.55% of all site traffic.

May was one of our highest paid media months with \$142,857 in advertising running and over 18.4M impressions in market. A paid email marketing campaign accounted for 12% of site traffic in May with 21,633 sessions. The first paid email was sent on May 9-10 and accounted for 34.36% of site traffic during those two days. A second follow-up email was sent to 'non-openers' on May 22-23

and during that period accounted for 52.83% of site traffic. The 6.28% increase in organic traffic as noted above is one indicator that our awareness-driving paid advertising is effective.

#### Visits

- Total Sessions 176,323 (6.44% increase Y/Y)
- Unique Users 145,106 (.64% increase Y/Y)
- Pages per Session 1.93 (1.49% increase Y/Y)
- Average Time on Site 1:51 (16.82% increase Y/Y)
- Conversion Rate 8.81% (26.496% increase Y/Y)

#### Visitor Gender

- 57.71% Female
- 42.29% Male

### Visitor Age

- 6.93% 18 24
- 21.09% 25 34
- 18.13% 35 44
- 16.31% 45 54
- 20.48% 55 64
- 17.06% 65+

#### Newsletters

- Santa Fe Happenings
  - o Sent: 5/2/2018
  - Number sent: 49,492
  - Number opened: 8,082
  - o Open rate: 16.39%
- TOURISM Santa Fe Marketing Report
  - o Sent: 5/9/2018
  - Number sent: 1,134
  - o Number opened: 357
  - o Open rate: 31.48%
- Santa Fe Deals and Specials
  - o Sent: 5/18/18
  - o Number sent: 31,134
  - Number opened: 5,551
  - Open rate: 17.83%
- TOURISM Santa Fe Sales Report
  - o Sent: 5/23/18
  - o Number sent: 1141
  - Number opened: 426
  - Open rate: 37.34%
- Vote for Santa Fe & Win!

Sent: 5/31/18

Number sent: 58374Number opened: 11183Open rate: 19.15%

†Open rate is only counted for users who have images enabled in their email or if a user clicks on a link.

# **SOCIAL MEDIA**

## Summary

In May our top performing posts were itinerary-themed articles that we shared on our most popular social media channels—Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. We continually see that this type of editorial coverage resonates with our followers and as a result, these posts are regularly scheduled in the TSF social media calendar.

Engagement metrics in May for TOURISM Santa Fe's Facebook and Twitter pages saw increases over last month - 76.7% and 15% respectively. The increases can be partly attributed to a concerted effort to 'like' followers' comments and respond to questions posted by followers on our social media pages. All channels continue to see slight increases in followers month over month.

### Facebook

### **May 2018 Performance Metrics**

- Total Page Followers: 63,894 (0.6% increase M/M)
- People Talking About This: 2,904 (28.6% decrease M/M)
- Engagement: 10,890 (76.7% increase M/M)
- Top Ranking Post: "We always hope you can stay a few days in #SantaFeNM, but if you only have 24 hours to explore The City Different, use this guide from The Lemon Bowl."

Likes: 372Comments: 45Reach: 11,469

### Twitter

### **May 2018 Performance Metrics**

- Followers: 13,588 (0.6% increase M/M)
- Monthly Impressions: 63,800 (36% increase M/M)
- Engagement: 218 (15.3% increase M/M)
  - Top Ranking Post: "So often we envision the classic southwest road trip as an east to west journey, but in this @outmagazine story @bpnomad suggests starting in Denver and heading south to Santa Fe for a music-focused adventure."

o Impressions: 4,319

o Retweets: 15

o Total engagements: 73

## Instagram

### **May 2018 Performance Metrics**

Followers: 21,200 (1.4% increase M/M)

• Top Performing Post: "You must read this week's #NewBlogPost! We partnered with @jeanatravels to provide an 'Ideal Itinerary for a Weekend Getaway in Santa Fe.' She offers excellent inspiration for a 3-day trip to #TheCityDifferent."

o Likes: 1,086

### **Pinterest**

### **May 2018 Performance Metrics**

Followers: 2,436 (.6% increase M/M)

### YouTube

### **May 2018 Performance Metrics**

Subscribers: 408 (5.7% increase M/M)

• Views: 59,601 (19.2% decrease)

# Santa Fe Insider Blog

### **May Blog Posts**

### 7 June Events to Start Your Summer in Santa Fe

Posted May 1, 2018

Views: 332

### Legendary Classics in Santa Fe

Posted May 8, 2018

Views: 116

### The Ideal Itinerary for a Weekend Getaway in Santa Fe New Mexico

Posted May 15, 2018

• Views: 290

### A Guide to Contemporary Hispanic Market in Santa Fe

Posted May 22, 2018

Views: 80

### The Fine Art of High Fashion at Santa Fe Indian Market

Posted May 29, 2018

Views: 113

### **May 2018 Performance Metrics**

Total Blog Views: 8,043 (34.43% increase M/M)

Average Time on Blog: 2:45 minutes (10.51% decrease M/M)

# **MEDIA PLACEMENTS – ADVERTISING**

### **PRINT**

New Mexico Monthly

Target market: New Mexico Flight dates: 5/1/18-5/31/18 Impressions: 300,000 Media Cost: \$2,720.00



Austin Monthly

Target market: Austin, Texas Flight dates: 5/1/18-5/31/18 Impressions: 140,000

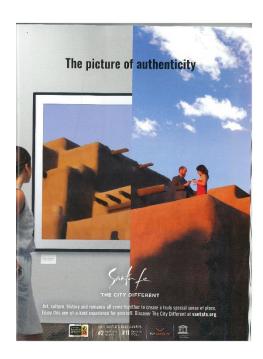
# Media Cost: \$3,500.00



# 5280 Magazine

Target market: Denver, CO Flight dates: 5/1/18-5/31/18

Impressions: 90,000 Media Cost: \$4,631.50



# Chicago Magazine

Target market: Chicago, IL Flight dates: 5/1/18-5/31/18

Impressions: 120,000 Media Cost: \$8,334.00





# Phoenix Magazine

Target market: Phoenix, AZ Flight dates: 5/1/18-5/31/18

Impressions: 87,000 Media Cost: \$5,750.00



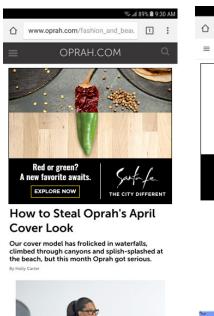
### DIGITAL DISPLAY, E-BLASTS, PREROLL VIDEO & MOBILE

AdTheorent: Rich Media Mobile

Target market: Austin, Colorado Springs, Denver, Phoenix, Los Angeles, Amarillo, Dallas, Houston,

Chicago, New York

Flight dates: 5/1/18-5/31/18 Impressions: 6,172,218 Media Cost: \$17,032.96



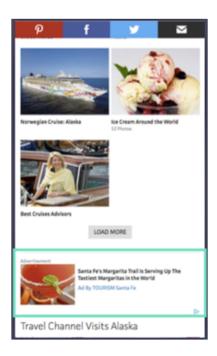


Sharethrough: Native Content

Target market: Austin, Colorado Springs, Denver, Phoenix, Los Angeles, Amarillo, Dallas, Houston,

Chicago, New York

Flight dates: 5/1/18-5/31/18 Impressions: 1,330,908 Media Cost: \$15,592.40

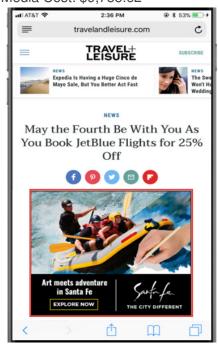


Amobee: Contextually Targeted Desktop & Mobile

Target market: Austin, Colorado Springs, Denver, Phoenix, Los Angeles, Amarillo, Dallas, Houston,

Chicago, New York

Flight dates: 5/1/18-5/31/18 Impressions: 3,330,029 Media Cost: \$9,785.62



Adara: Programmatic Desktop/Mobile

Target market: Austin, Colorado Springs, Denver, Phoenix, Los Angeles, Amarillo, Dallas, Houston,

Chicago, New York

Flight dates: 5/1/18-5/31/18 Impressions: 797,236 Media Cost: \$3,488.77



<u>Go-NewMexico.com: Lead Generation/Sponsorship Page</u> Target market: people interested in traveling to Santa Fe

Flight dates: 5/1/18-5/31/18

Impressions: 18,785

Go Travel Sites sent 221 names, emails and addresses to Santa Fe

Media Cost: \$208.33

Matador: Social Content/Banners

Target market: Austin, Colorado Springs, Denver, Phoenix, Los Angeles, Amarillo, Dallas, Houston,

Chicago, New York

Flight dates: 5/1/18-5/31/18 Impressions: 219,191 Media Cost: \$3,406.59

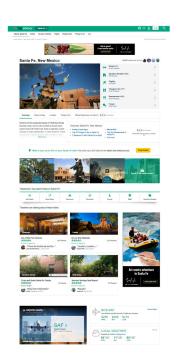


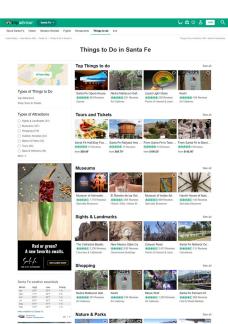
TripAdvisor: Sponsorship/Content

Target market: Austin, Colorado Springs, Denver, Phoenix, Los Angeles, Amarillo, Dallas, Houston,

Chicago, New York

Flight dates: 5/1/18-5/31/18 Impressions: 242,539 Media Cost: \$6,506.12







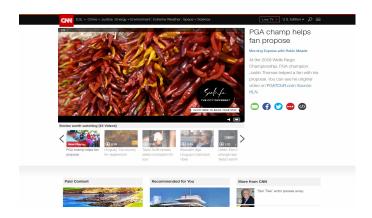
Tremor: Pre-Roll Video

Target market: Austin, Colorado Springs, Denver, Phoenix, Los Angeles, Amarillo, Dallas, Houston,

Chicago, New York

Flight dates: 5/1/18-5/31/18

Impressions: 675,976 Media Cost: \$10,219.79



ZEFR: Youtube Pre-Roll

Target market: Austin, Colorado Springs, Denver, Phoenix, Los Angeles, Amarillo, Dallas, Houston,

Chicago, New York

Flight dates: 5/1/18-5/31/18

Impressions: 52,756 Media Cost: \$9,538.34



Undertone: Desktop & Mobile Display

Target market: Austin, Colorado Springs, Denver, Phoenix, Los Angeles, Amarillo, Dallas, Houston,

Chicago, New York

Flight dates: 5/1/18-5/31/18 Impressions: 1,611,731 Media Cost: \$17,032.97



### Varick Media – Program/PMP

Target Markets: Austin, Colorado Springs, Denver, Phoenix, Los Angeles, Amarillo, Dallas, Houston,

Chicago, New York

Flight Dates: 5/1/18-5/31/18 Impressions: 1,017,297 Media Cost: \$5,109.89



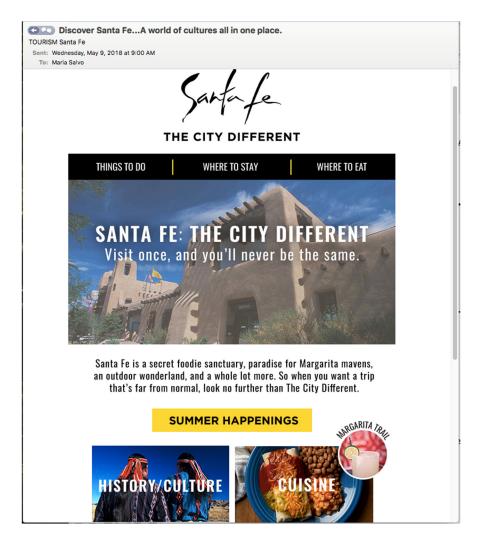
### eTarget - Email Marketing

Target Markets: "Cultural Experience Travelers" in Denver, Dallas, Phoenix, Colorado Springs, Lubbock, El Paso, Las Cruces, Los Angeles, Chicago, NYC, Austin, and Houston DMA's

Flight Dates: 5/9/18 & 5/22/18

Impressions: 2,228,570 (inc. 2 sends)

Media Cost: \$20,000.00



### Fly Santa Fe/NNMAA

Undertone: Desktop & Mobile Display w/ Inbound RM

Target market: Phoenix/Scottsdale metro, CA markets (LAX, ONT, SBA, SAN, BUR, SNA), Northern

New Mexico (Santa Fe, Los Alamos, Taos, etc.)

Flight dates: 5/1/18-5/31/18 Impressions: 465,231 Media Cost: \$15,163.04

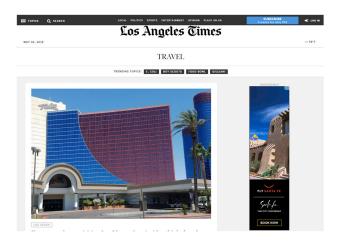


Adara: Desktop & Mobile Display

Target market: Phoenix/Scottsdale metro, CA markets (LAX, ONT, SBA, SAN, BUR, SNA), Northern

New Mexico (Santa Fe, Los Alamos, Taos, etc.)

Flight dates: 5/1/18-5/31/18 Impressions: 1,450,142 Media Cost: \$9,296.32



#### SEM

### Google AdWords

Target market: National (Branded), Austin, Colorado Springs, Denver, Phoenix, Los Angeles, Amarillo, Dallas, Houston, Chicago, New York

Flight dates: 5/1/18-5/31/18 Impressions: 404,250 Media Cost: \$11,270.98

Visit Santa Fe, New Mexico The City Different www.santafe.org Ranked the #2 Best Small City in the US by Conde Nast Traveler. Book...

## **PUBLIC RELATIONS**

# Summary

May 2018 was a busy month of hosting several international journalists in the destination and TOURISM Santa Fe Director of Marketing, Cynthia Delgado, attended the Media Marketplace at IPW in Denver, May 20-21. She met with a total of 27 journalists representing a mix of both international and U.S. domestic publications. Of the international media she met with interest came from journalists representing Canada, China, Germany, Australia, Italy and the UK.

The earned media coverage this month included one syndicated story from USA Today which provided a total of \$ 741,590 in media value and made up 56% of the monthly total. We did have one interesting piece of coverage in Wall Street Journal magazine that proved to be small but mighty. The coverage was only a few sentences and a photo, but the value in this major national publication was \$ 290,895.

### Performance Metrics

### May 2018

• Pitches: 27 (58% Decrease Y/Y)

Press Releases: 0 (100% Decrease Y/Y)

Media Visits: 6 (200% Increase Y/Y)

Media Contacts: 132 (12% Decrease Y/Y)

Total Impressions: 136,368,736 (23% Decrease Y/Y)

• **Earned Media**: \$1,311,961 (32% Decrease Y/Y)

### 2018 Year To Date

Pitches: 398 (40% Increase Y/Y)

Press Releases: 7 (12.5% Decrease Y/Y)
Media Visits: 28 (24% Decrease Y/Y)

Media Contacts: 771 (12% Increase Y/Y)

Total Impressions: 1,516,603,415 (22% Decrease Y/Y)
 Earned Media: \$16,514,555 (24% Decrease Y/Y)

# **Visiting Press**

Brand USA hosted 3 Indian writers on an Arizona and New Mexico press trip in advance of IPW. The group was escorted by Joint Managing Brand Director of Brand USA India, Mr. Sunil Puri.

Ralf Johnen visited May 16-18 in advance of IPW while researching for coverage in German outlets.

Simply Smart Travel writer Jeffrey Orenstein visited from May 20-25.

Amanda Martin of the Amanda's OK Blog visited the destination May 25-28.