

Hey, I'm Andrew

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Founder & CEO, MadeBrave



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A man with glasses and a brown shirt is looking upwards and to the right. In the background, a whiteboard is visible with some faint, illegible handwriting. The overall tone is professional and creative.

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(& Bravery) in everyone

The background is a solid pink color. Scattered across the image are numerous bubbles of various sizes. The bubbles have a color gradient, ranging from light blue and purple on the left to orange and yellow on the right. They have a soft, glowing appearance with subtle gradients and highlights.

The

of Creativity

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Abbreviated CERTIFICATE of BIRTH

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Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Scotland) Act 1965, Ss. 19 and 40

District No. 742	Year 1981	Entry No. 411	N.H.S. No. 7 4 2 8 1 4 1
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Birth registered in the district of Canongate and Portobello

1. Surname Jaques

Name(s) Stephen

2. Sex

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3. When born 1981

July First

0103 hours

4. Where born

Elsie Inglis

Maternity Hospital

Edinburgh

I hereby certify that the above particulars are extracted from a Register of Births in my custody.

Given under my hand this Fifth day of August



1-7-81
at
JAQUES
01.03 hr





Adopted
30 days old

A photograph of a woman with short, curly brown hair, wearing a dark blue short-sleeved dress with white trim on the sleeves and dark shoes. She is standing in a lush green field with large trees in the background. The lighting is bright, suggesting a sunny day, with some lens flare visible in the upper right corner.

My Mum!

Since birth, she's
been severely
deaf in one ear
& profoundly deaf
in the other







Getting a cochlear implant





Nurtured creativity
& believed in me

Destined for a
career in creativity



Nature vs Nurture?





Paul McStay, Ex-Scotland football Captain





Andrew (The magician) Dobbie



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THIS WORLD BELONGS TO THE BRAVE



Finlay

MadeBrave was born in Scotland in 2011 when my son Fin was only two weeks old, and I had just over £1k in the bank

Hence our name – and our attitude to this day!

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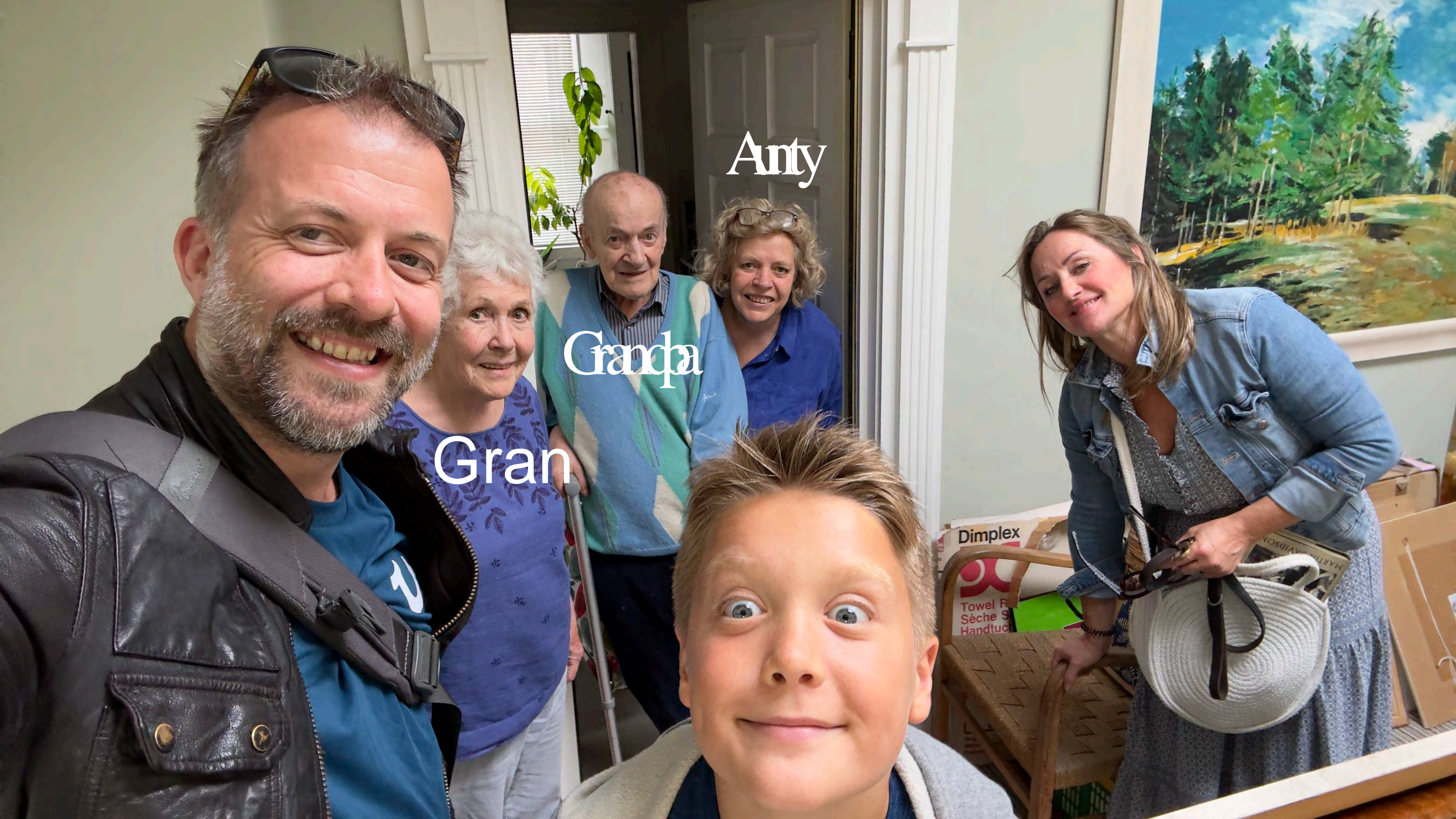


Finlay



The Brave

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Anty

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Gran



My birth brother

Ryan O'Rourke
Founder, Flavourly.com







...fighting, guided with hi

**Cage-fighting, guitar-playing
magician with his sights set
on becoming the biggest
creative agency in Scotland**

month the firm received 150 applications. Dobbie originally set out on his own in 2011 as a freelancer with the goal of simply being his own boss, having worked the previous eight years at Midgi By Creations, the now-defunct company owned by former Celtic footballer Paul McHale. A friend loaned him some space for a few months and he did all of my meetings in the back of Costa Coffee. The circumstances were humble, but an oft-repeated phrase took the place of the birth of the brand: only if you can't do it up, you can't do it right.



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Belief

A man with a mustache, wearing a blue sports jersey with a Nike logo and a club crest, is shown from the chest up. He has a serious expression. The background is a blurred indoor setting with blue walls and some signage. A semi-transparent dark blue rectangle is overlaid on the image, containing the text "I believe in you" in white.

“I believe in you”

All we need to win




Belief unlocks
confidence

1992



Confidence
unlocks *bravery*

The background is a collage of two images. The top image shows a crowd of people, mostly men in light blue shirts and ties, clapping. The bottom image shows a woman in a white shirt and orange belt holding a large, ornate gold medal. She is smiling and looking towards the camera. In the background of the bottom image, several people are clapping, including a man in a grey suit on the left and a woman in a grey suit on the right. A green scoreboard is visible in the background of the bottom image, showing the number '4.19' and some text that is partially obscured.

Bravery lets us
become the *best*
version of ourselves

A photograph of an astronaut floating in space, with a spacecraft visible in the background. The image is overlaid with a dark blue semi-transparent rectangle containing white text.


The best version of
you can do *anything*



No matter the
product or service,
brands are
built by *people*



And people are
powered by *belief*

A photograph of a New York Times article page, dated Friday, November 25, 2011, with the headline "DON'T BUY THIS JACKET" and a black jacket. The page is placed on a wooden surface. A semi-transparent dark rectangle is overlaid on the page, containing white text.

The best brands
are *united*
by shared belief

They're values-led



A festive indoor scene, likely a party or gathering. In the foreground, a large green cactus decoration is visible on the left. A man in a white t-shirt is standing in the center, holding a microphone. To his right, a woman is partially visible, holding a large, smiling face balloon. The background features a large window or glass door looking out onto a bright outdoor area with trees. The scene is decorated with colorful balloons and streamers. The text "And built from the inside - out" is overlaid in white on a dark semi-transparent background.

**And built from
the inside - out**



Moving the everyday

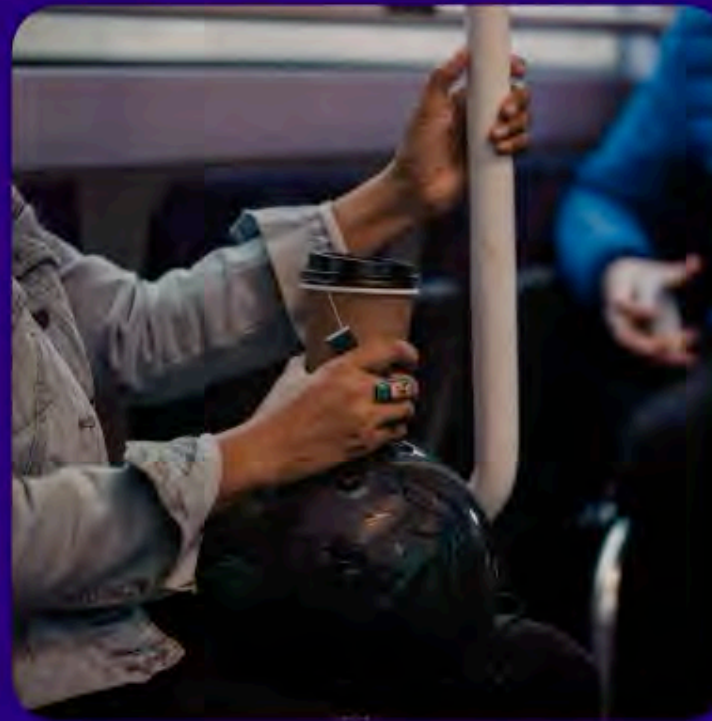
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and connection

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Moving the everyday

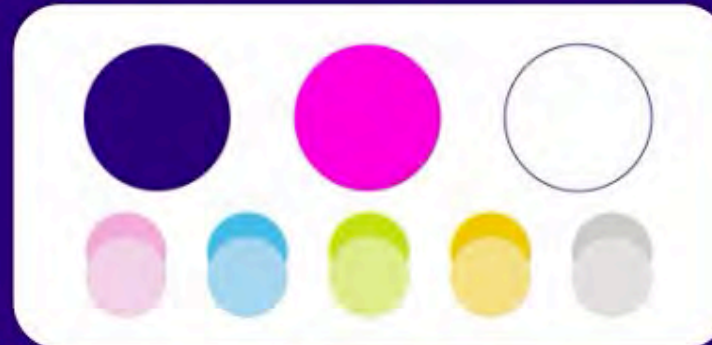


First Move



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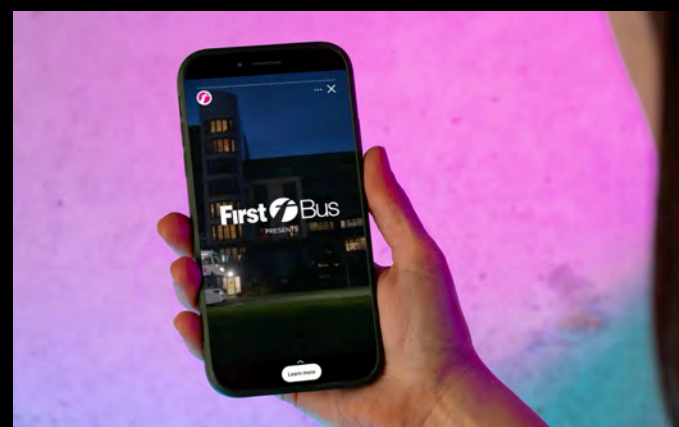
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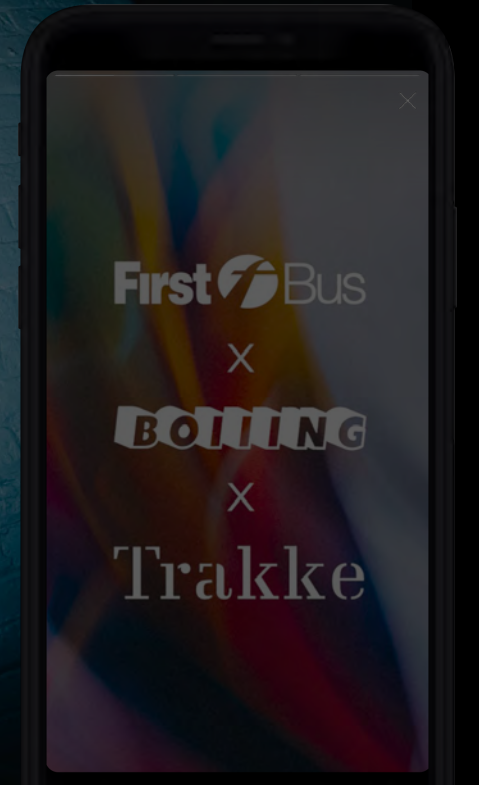
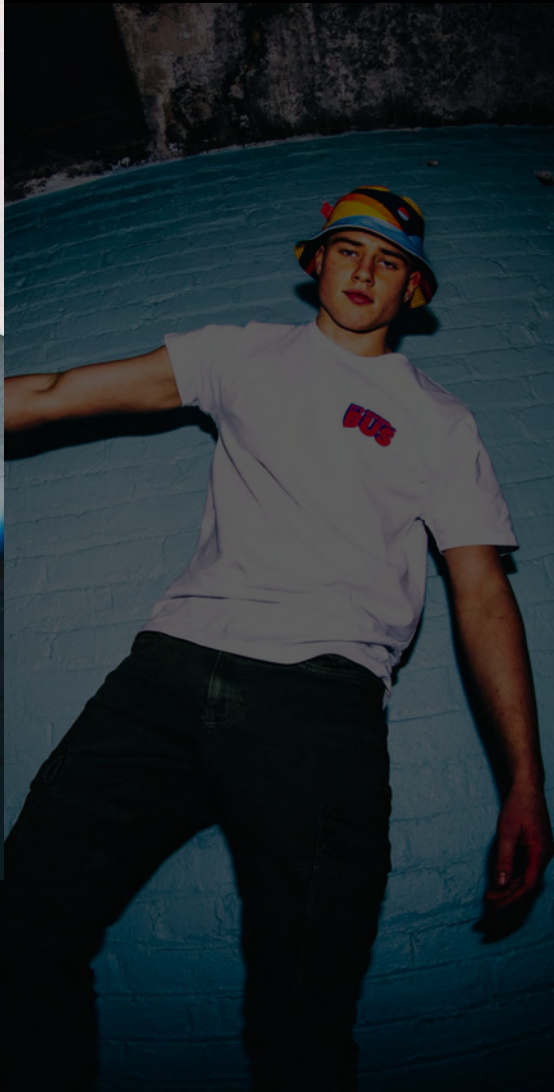
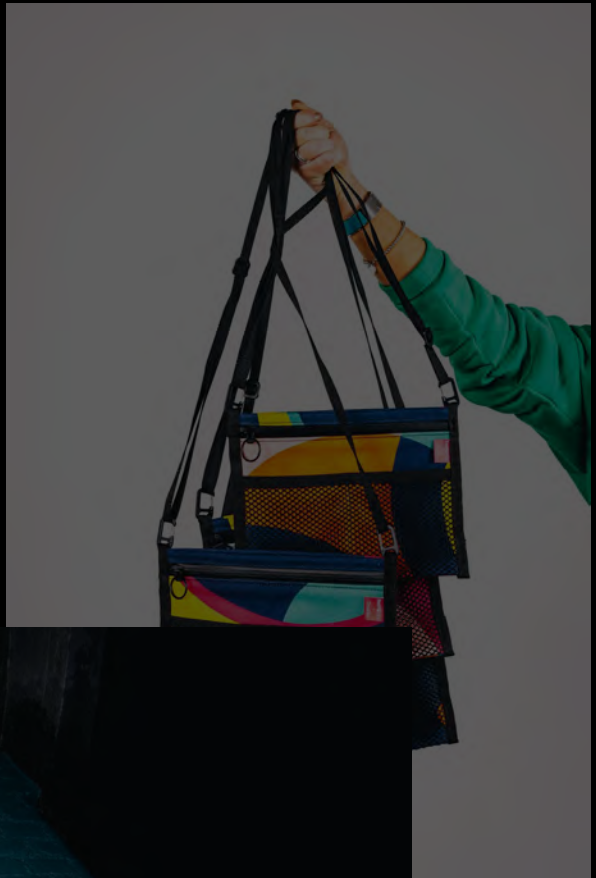
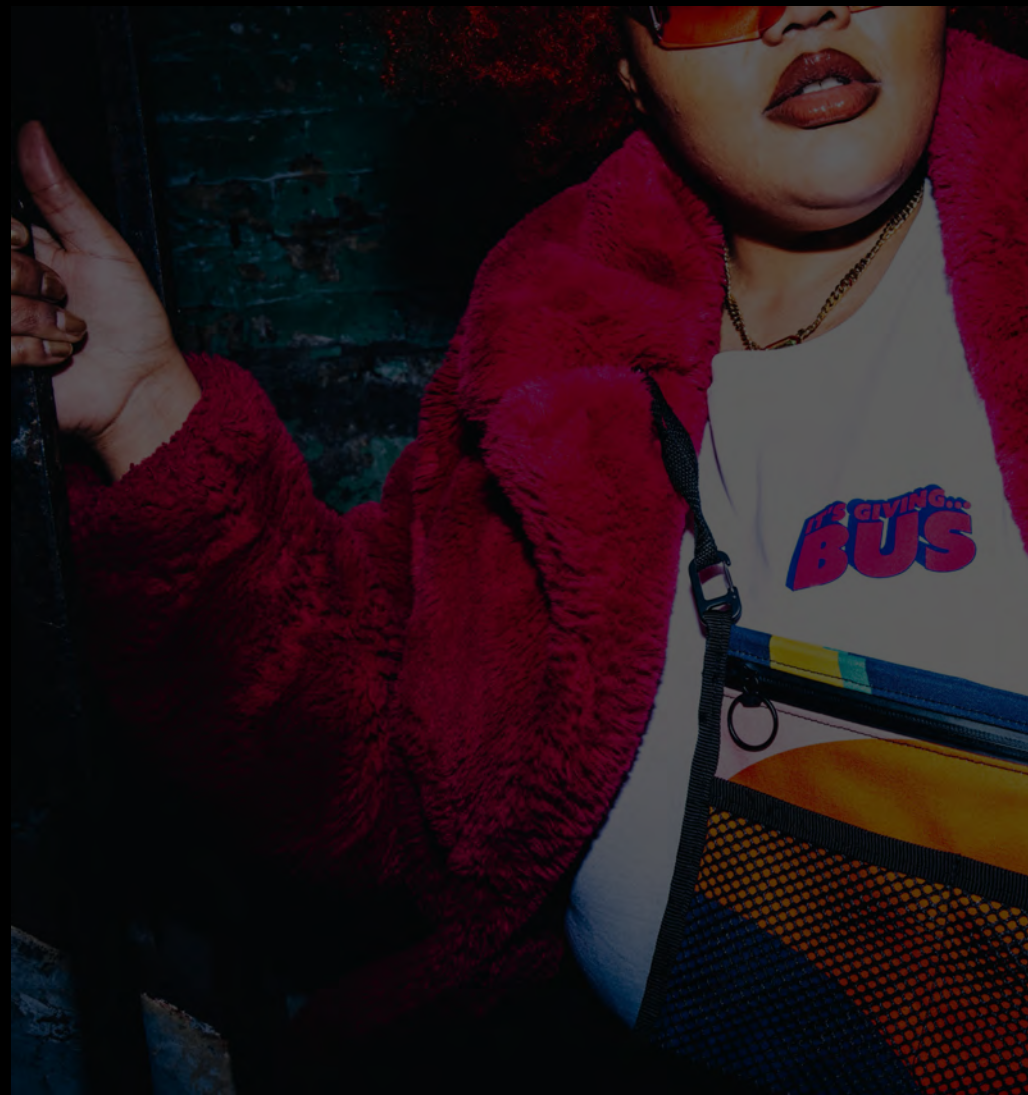
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great work

To infinity & beyond



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Be your weird self





Joanne Calderwood
UFC Fighter



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Vip Pass



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Ruthless work ethic will favour the brave

Andrew Dobbie tells **Colin Cardwell** how he made the big leap from designer and photographer to successful businessman

THESE are a contented and steady murmur of activity at MadeBrave. The glow from a battery of Apple Macs and angle-poise lamps at the graphic design agency's studio in Glasgow's Merchant City gently illuminates staff conferring over concepts on scatter-cushion sofas amid the quirky, eclectic, dark, colour swatches and typography books. Martin, our photographer is visibly impressed. "This is a great place for pictures!"

The reassuringly relaxed ambience, however, is the result of blisteringly swift development. In 2012 the company's founder, Andrew Dobbie, moved to its studio in Osborne Street, in the Merchant City. "The first tenants, first shared the first floor with a few

designer." After that rebranding, he says, the membership organisation's revenue increased by 35 per cent. "It became a great case study and a great base for MadeBrave to move forward from and as a result I acquired quite a few clients."

The new contracts duly arrived and the client list now includes engineering and power majors such as Arup, Babcock and Aggreko, Linx Audio, hotel group Radisson and the SECC. "Initially I did quite a lot of events photography and had meetings every day – it was constant. I very quickly realised I needed to create a company, so I formed MadeBrave," he recalls.

The new enterprise made an ambitious move to its studio in Osborne Street, in the Merchant City. "The first tenants, first shared the first floor with a few

client, a FTSE 100 company, to let us graffit their products but it worked a treat. We released a video in the press and the next day it featured in the Wall Street Journal, the Herald, the Guardian and the Times."

Using social media to enhance its own brand is one of the elements that Dobbie believes has given MadeBrave an edge over the competition in a fiercely competitive environment. "I have focused on us being a consumer brand and on promoting ourselves to make sure we are heard in the marketplace and it's working."

Over the past 10 years of years agencies started to their clients. "He has an amazing business and I branded the We have a great relationship on great - you'd never know never met before."

This has helped to boost belief that

entrepreneurial network Power of Youth, which was great. Running a business can be lonely and so being able to connect with young entrepreneurs who are experiencing the same challenges as you is a valuable thing and you learn a lot. Scottish Enterprise have been fantastic in the support they are giving us and we have just become one their account management companies."

An intriguing client relationship developed when Dobbie, who adopted as a baby, met his mother and was told that he had a brother, Ryan O'Rourke, who was CEO of gourmet food company Flavourary.

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company's jaunty and gleeful social media presence. "We promote ourselves heavily and the 'heroes' of our employees - we do a lot of stuff on Facebook - so we're not afraid to try to market ourselves because we

out further expansion, with premises in London potentially the first advance. Porches in the garage at home are not a priority. Dobbie says that the profits are ploughed back into MadeBrave and there is a cushion of security in the bank, so there will be no quest for equity investors.

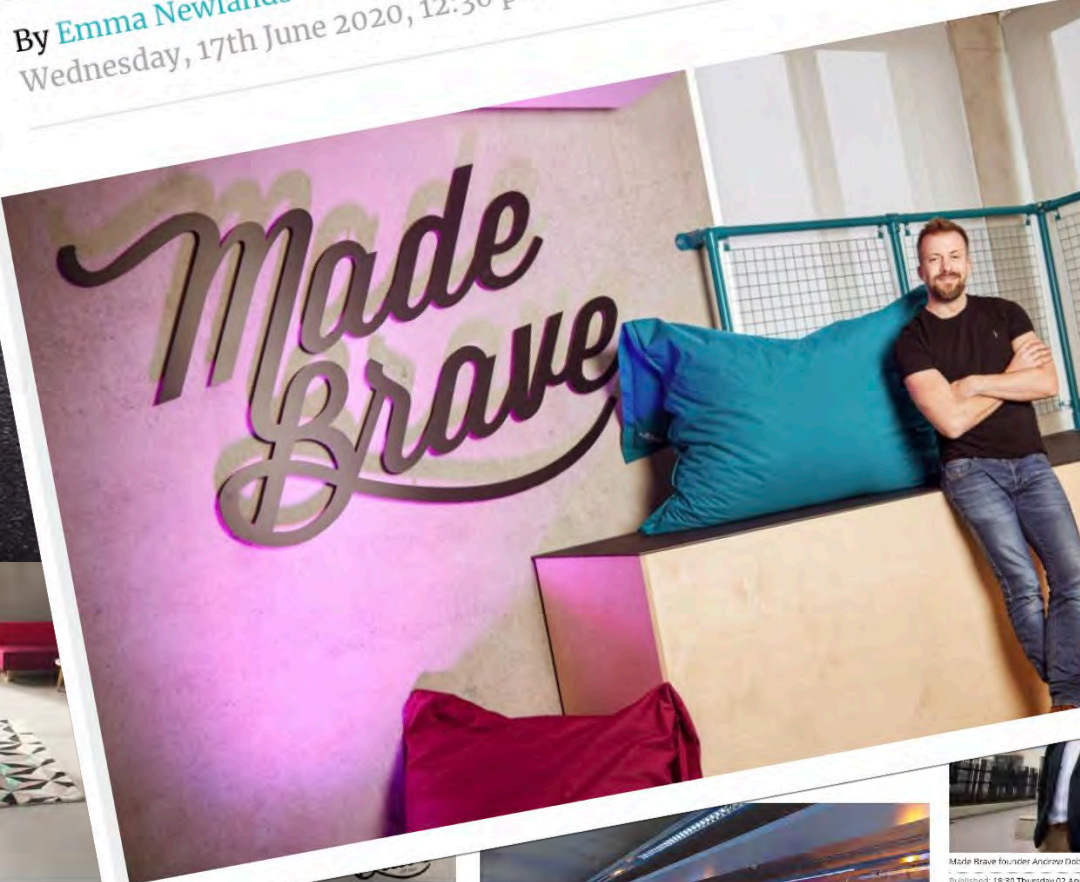
"A lot of people tend to think that you start finding investors but I've not done that. I've been looking down at the bank and thinking about it that way but

“I'm proud I have created all these jobs... it's great to be able to give people a career

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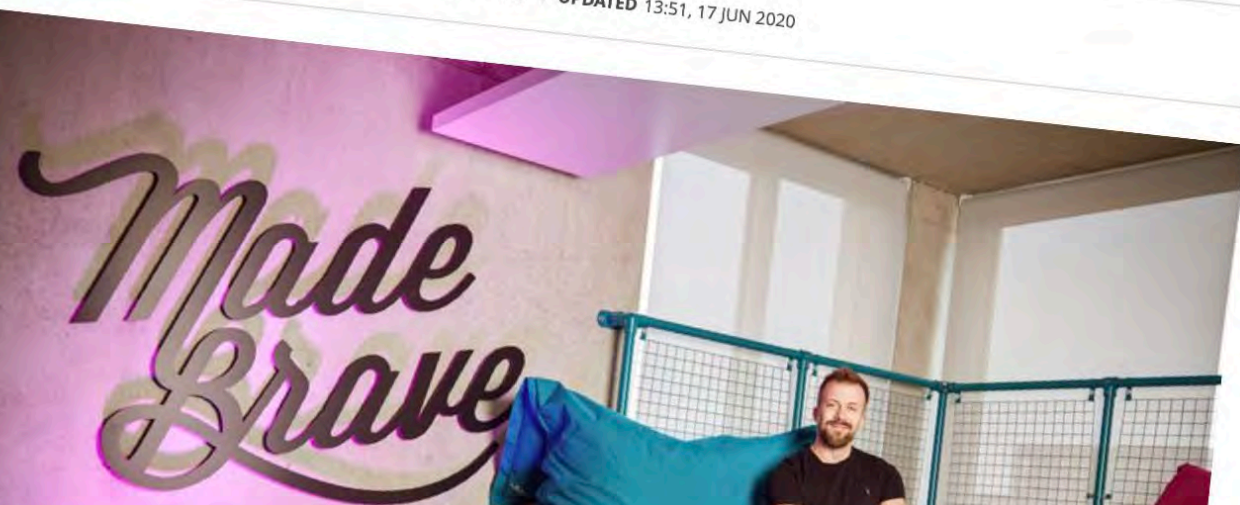


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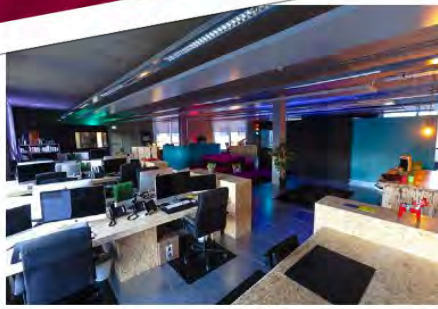
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Kirstin Watson
Head of Creative & Client Services

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Later this month me and my fellow MadeBravers will be moving to The Albus, in Bridgeton, Glasgow. When I started at MadeBrave® almost two years ago it was only me, Andrew (the Director) and 2 Designers and now there's 20 of us and we're basically bursting at the seams!

The building, which recently won a design award, is a Clacha Gataway project



Since 2012, the MadeBrave team has gone from Director, Andrew Dobbie himself to 20 strong and counting. With each person hired came an additional skill, ultimately helping us to attract the attention of high profile clients, including Springbank Whisky, Aggreko, Vango, Bowmore and Air Space.

We needed support through this growth spurt we were experiencing, and luckily we got it. Firstly,

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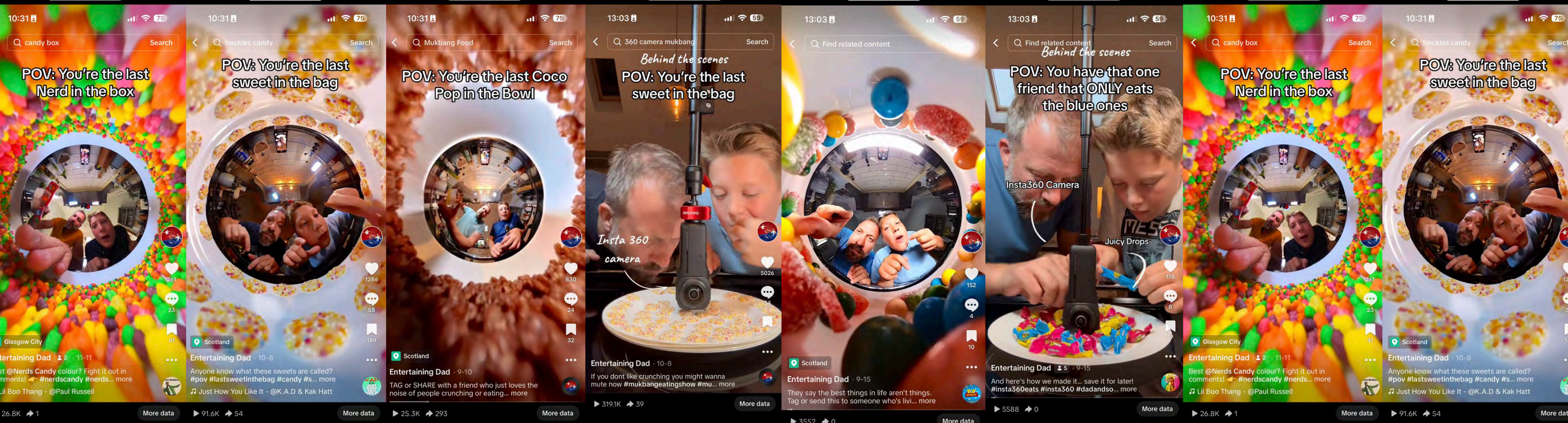
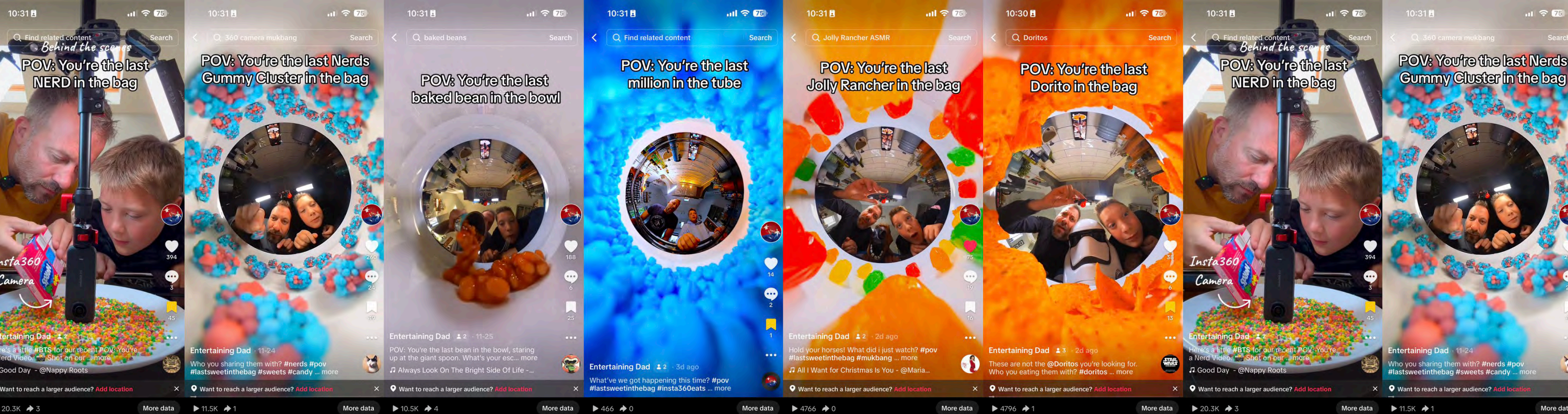
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Will Smith recreates Scots father and son's viral Nutella and Wotsits TikTok

The Hollywood A-lister shared the video to his 74.2million followers



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Will Smith

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Following

74.2M

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529.9M

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Best Shape of My Life

My Book

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BE NURTURED?





I believe it can





Philippe Meunier
Sid Lee



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Vaynermedia



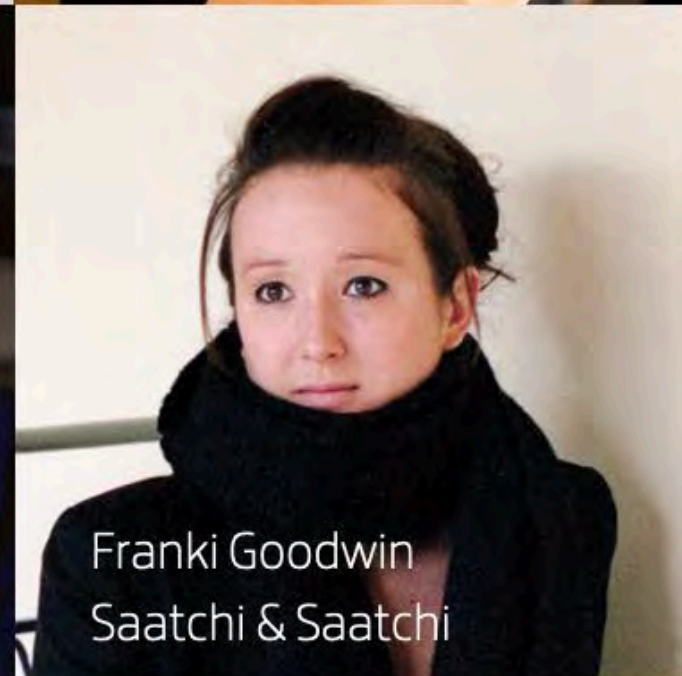
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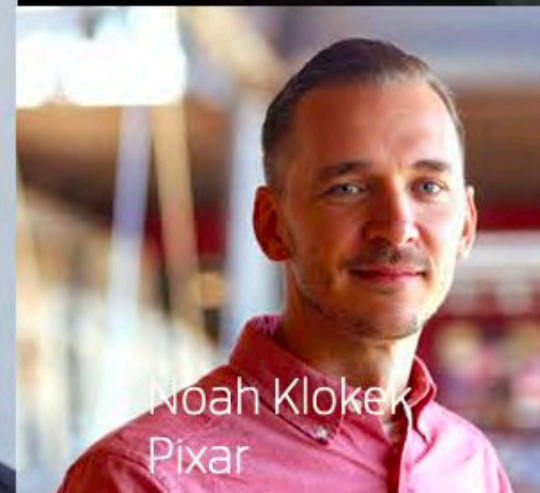
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Design Matters



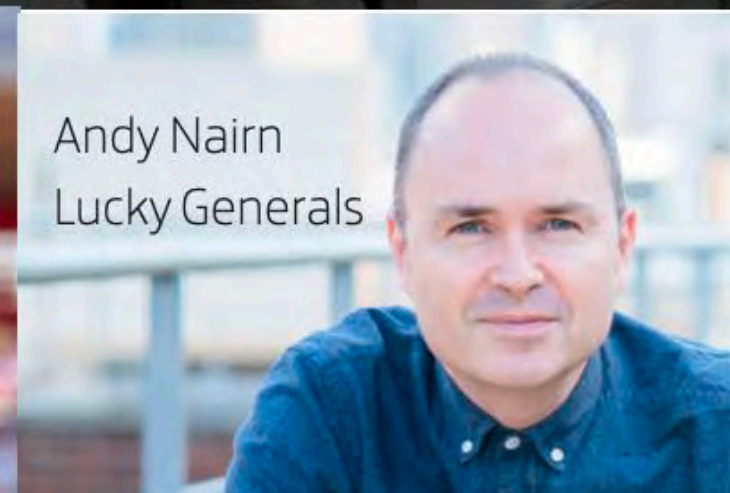
Darlene Vogel
Actress



Marty Neumeier
The Brand Gap



Noah Klofner
Pixar



Andy Nairn
Lucky Generals









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Tiny moments



BIG IDEAS



2012

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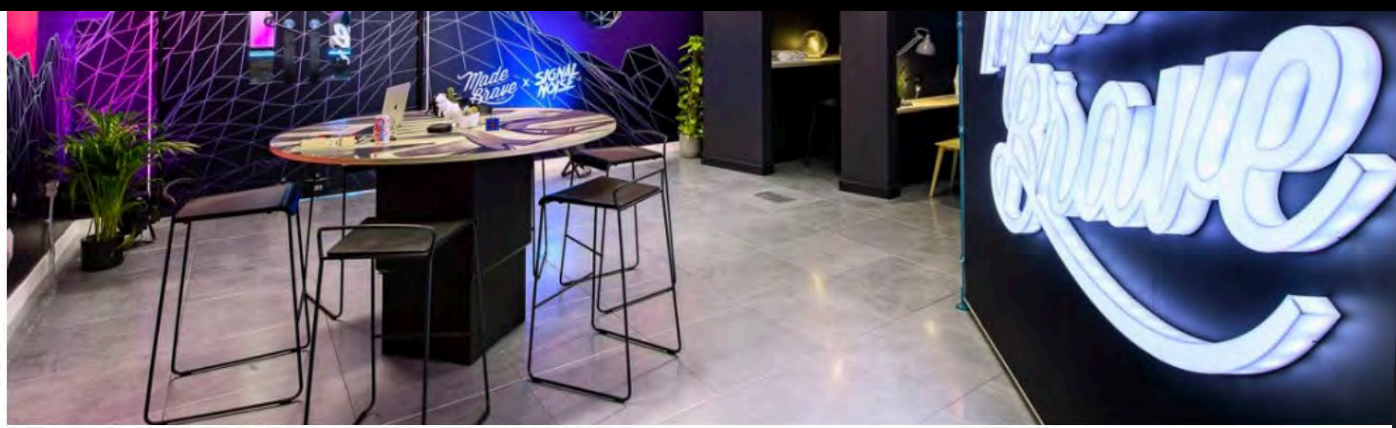
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“I love watching
the news!”

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COO, MadeBrave®





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From the Team

MadeBravers Can Now Work from Anywhere, Forever (and Some Other News)

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ULTIMATE ENVIRONMENT FOR CREATIVE COLLISIONS







Belief, creativity &
culture don't happen
by accident.

They're designed,
nurtured and
engineered.





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Chloride	Cl^-	48.7
Sodium	Na^+	31.0

Total Dissolved Solids (at 180°C): mg/L 862

Silica	SiO_2	7.0
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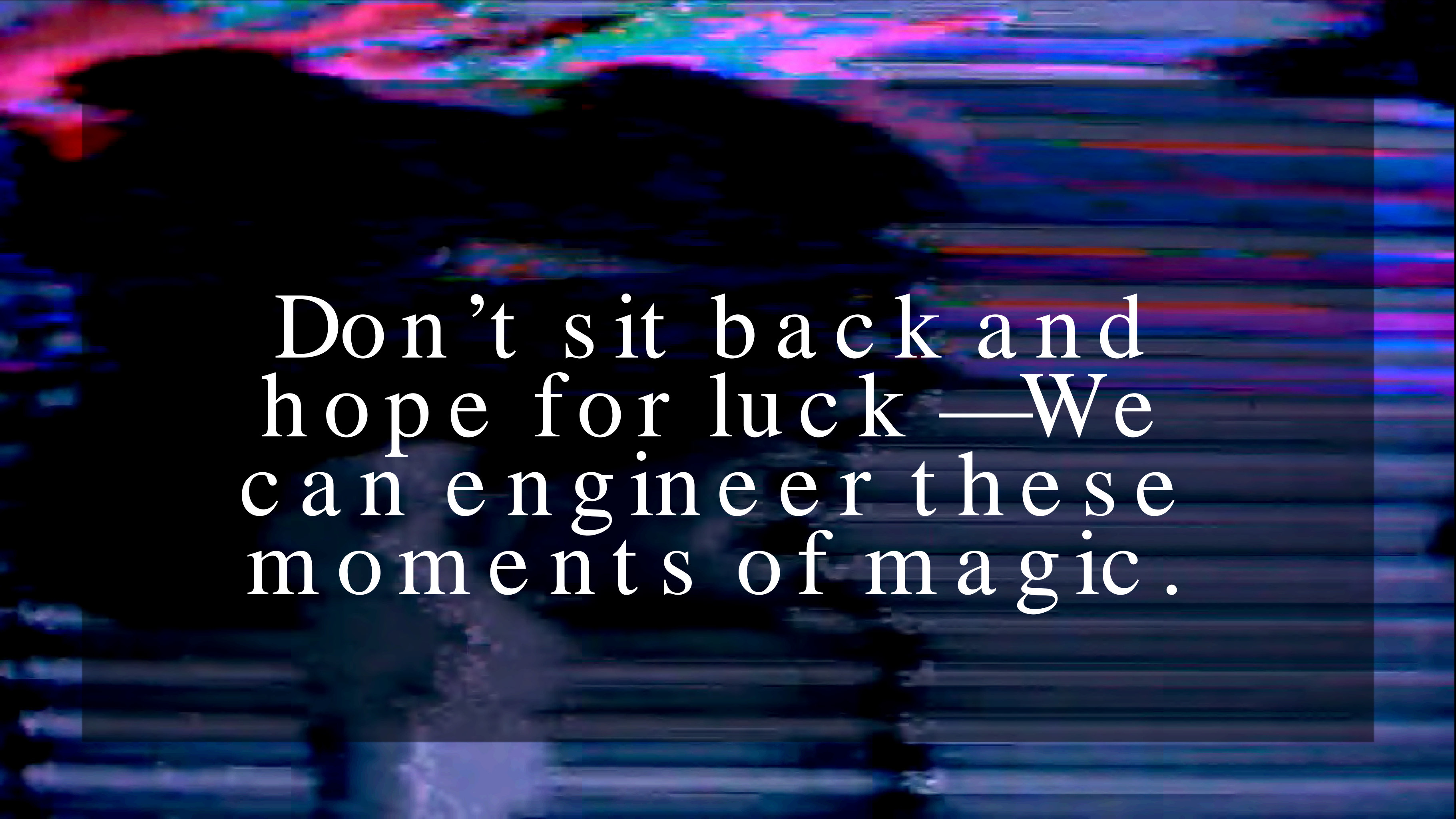
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